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Update on the Administration's Efforts to Develop an Integrated Freight Plan

Monday, June 20 2016 ♦ State Capitol, Room 4202

Upon Adjournment of the
Assembly Transportation Committee

Hearing Participants' Biographies

Bill Magavern, Policy Director Coalition for Clean Air

Bill Magavern joined CCA in 2012 and serves as Policy Director, based in Sacramento. An environmental advocate since 1988, Magavern worked as Staff Attorney for the U.S. Public Interest Research Group, Director of Public Citizen's Critical Mass Energy Project, Sacramento Director of the Committee to Bridge the Gap, and Director of Sierra Club California. He has authored numerous reports and articles on energy and environmental issues, and testifies frequently before the State Legislature, Air Resources Board, and other agencies. Magavern received his JD from SUNY-Buffalo Law School and his bachelor's degree in American Civilization from Brown University.

Art Dao, Executive Director Alameda County Transportation Commission

Arthur L. Dao was appointed as the first Executive Director of the Alameda County Transportation Commission on August 9, 2010, and began service on September 1, 2010. He is leading the integration of both the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency (ACCMA) and the Alameda County Transportation Improvement Authority (ACTIA), which began the first formal merger stages in June 2010.

The Alameda CTC assumes all functions of ACCMA and ACTIA, and Art will work with the 22-member Commission to integrate the agencies for planning, funding and continued delivery of a broad range of transportation projects and programs to throughout Alameda County. He was formerly the Deputy Director at the Alameda County Transportation Improvement Authority from 2001 to 2010. In that capacity, he was responsible for the delivery of the Measure B-funded Capital Program, and is credited with developing and overseeing the early delivery of nearly all Measure B capital infrastructure projects.

Art brings over 24 years of transportation engineering and management experience to the Commission. He holds a bachelor's degree of science in civil engineering from the University of California at Davis, and he is a registered engineer.

**RJ Cervantes, Director of Legislative Affairs
California Trucking Association**

RJ Cervantes is the Director of Legislative Affairs for the California Trucking Association. Previous to his time at the Trucking Association, RJ lived and worked in Portland, Oregon where he served in a few as Policy & Constituent Relations Liaison for Multnomah County Commissioner Deborah Kafoury and as a Government Relations Representative for the Portland Business Alliance. RJ got his start in the policy arena by working for longtime transportation advocate Congressman Earl Blumenauer. A native of Chico, California RJ holds a BA in Political Science from the University of Portland.

**David Libatique, Senior Director of Government Affairs
Port of Los Angeles**

David Libatique joined the Port of Los Angeles in January 2011 as senior director of government affairs, a role that augments the Port's intergovernmental advocacy at a critical time of increasing engagement with local, regional, state, federal, and even transnational and international levels of government.

Prior to joining the Port, Libatique served as Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa's director of energy policy, where he was responsible for advancing the Mayor's environmental policies at the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power. Before assuming that role, he served as the Mayor's senior policy analyst, and acted as a liaison with the Port of Los Angeles, where he advanced the Mayor's "Green Growth" policies, including the Clean Air Action Plan and Clean Truck Program.

Before joining the Villaraigosa Administration, Libatique served as senior deputy for Councilmember Martin Ludlow, where he led policy development and legislative strategies to reform City of Los Angeles anti-gang efforts.

Libatique has conducted extensive experience in economic research, including working as a research analyst at the World Health Organization in Geneva, Switzerland. There, he was a part of Working Group VI of the Commission on Macroeconomics and Health that analyzed the economic impact of investment in improved health outcomes for poor and middle-income countries.

Libatique holds a bachelor of arts in economics from the University of California, Berkeley and a master of public policy from Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government. He lives in Los Angeles.

**Joshua Dolan, Vice President, International Logistics
Target Corporation**

Joshua J. Dolan is the Vice President of International Logistics for Target Corporation, where he is responsible for the successful sourcing, integration, and execution of international distribution and transportation operations. He has served in leadership capacities within Pep Boys Auto, IKEA, Reebok, UPS Supply Chain Solutions, and more recently with DICK'S Sporting Goods as Vice President of Logistics.

Joshua currently serves on the Board of Directors for The Coalition for Responsible Transportation (CRT) and is a member of Retail Industry Leaders Association's (RILA) Transportation & Infrastructure (TRIC) and International Trade Committees.

Joshua holds his BSBA undergraduate degree in International Business from Bridgewater State University as well as an MBA from Pennsylvania State University with a focus in Leadership and Strategy.

**Kome Ajise, Chief Deputy Director
California Department of Transportation**

Kome Ajise is the Chief Deputy Director at the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), responsible for overseeing the internal operations for approximately 19,000 employees and an annual budget that exceeds \$1.1 billion.

Kome began his career with in 1987 in District 6 (Fresno) and has served in various assignments at both the district and HQ offices. From February 2001, he served as the North Region Environmental Division Chief until April 2004 when he was appointed as the District 10 Director in Stockton, California. The eight-county District 10 covers the central Sierras, including four trans-sierra mountain passes, and northern San Joaquin Valley is a goods movement gateway from the valley into the Bay Area and north. Between the years 2009-2012, he served as Program Manager for the public private partnerships before being appointed Deputy Director of Planning and Modal Programs in 2012 in Sacramento.

Kome has a BS degree in Geography and Regional Planning from the University of Benin, Nigeria, and a Master of City and Regional Planning degree from CSU Fresno.

**Richard Corey, Executive Officer
California Air Resources Board**

Mr. Corey has 28 years of professional experience in the air pollution field with over 20 years of that experience in a management capacity at ARB. Prior to his appointment as Executive Officer, he served as Deputy Executive Officer and Chief of the Stationary Source Division.

Mr. Corey's team of over 1200 professional managers and staff are responsible for a broad range of programs including those concerning fuels, climate, incentives, and air toxics. Some of the key programs that his team is responsible for implementing include the low

carbon fuel standard, cap-and-trade regulation, measures and incentives to reduce emissions from a variety of goods movement sources, including port trucking, transport refrigeration units, cargo handling operations, maritime operations, rail-related goods movement, and measures to reduce emissions from stationary and portable diesel engines as well as several strategies to reduce toxic air contaminants from a wide variety of sources. In addition, Mr. Corey oversees the Board's administrative services and information technology operations.

Mr. Corey has an undergraduate degree in Environmental Toxicology as well as an MBA from the University of California, Davis.

**Will Koch, Chief Deputy Director
Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development**

Will Koch was appointed by Governor Brown as chief deputy director of the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz) in November 2015. Prior to his appointment to this post, he served as deputy director of the California Competes Tax Credit program at GO-Biz. To date, the California Competes Tax Credit program has awarded over \$340 million in tax credits to businesses to create a projected 55,000 jobs and make over \$12 billion of investments in California. As deputy director of legislative affairs at GO-Biz from 2012 to 2014, Mr. Koch had an instrumental role in the development and enactment of Governor Brown's Economic Development Initiative. From 1998 to 2012, Mr. Koch held multiple positions at the California Franchise Tax Board, including legislative analyst, personal income tax technical advisor, and tax compliance specialist. He earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from California State University, Sacramento.
