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TWO MARITIME INDUSTRY VETERANS JOIN NEW YORK SHIPPING ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE STAFF

Chuck Darrell and Susan Winfree take on new roles in the Port of New York and New Jersey

Edison, NJ –New York Shipping Association (NYSA) appointed Charles Darrell to Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer and promoted Susan Winfree to Vice President, Workforce Development and Corporate Diversity Officer. Darrell will be responsible for oversight and coordination of the daily operations associated with the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Longshoremen’s Association (ILA) in the Port of New York and New Jersey. Winfree, the first woman to serve on NYSA’s Executive Staff, will develop and implement recruiting, hiring and training processes for the Port workforce.

“The Port of New York and New Jersey is at a critical transition period and has the potential to greatly enhance the region’s economy through one of its most important, and growing sectors. Chuck and Susan’s strong leadership and experience will help guide our organization and advance the competitiveness of the Port,” said John Nardi, the newly appointed President of NYSA. “We are committed to ensuring that the strong six-year contract agreement with the ILA is implemented in the best interest of our members, and I am excited to welcome Chuck and Susan to NYSA’s Executive staff as they will help ensure the efficiency, safety, quality and diversity of marine cargo operations.”

With 28 years of terminal and operating experience, Charles Darrell was most recently Vice-President of Operations at Port Newark Container Terminal where he was responsible for day-to-day operations, including marine stevedoring, rail, yard, gate receiving and delivery functions, as well as labor relations. Prior to this, Darrell was the Director of Northeast Terminal Operations at American President Lines where he was responsible for all Marine, Rail and container yard activity in the Northeast region.

Darrell graduated from the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, New York with a B.S in Nautical Science, earned his M.B.A. from Rutgers Graduate School of Management and is licensed by the United States Coast Guard as a Second Mate. He served on the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Marine Maintenance Contractors Association, the Port Police and Guards Union Pension Fund as a management trustee, and as Ports America’s representative on various NYSA committees. Darrell resides with his wife and two sons in New Jersey.

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Susan Winfree joined NYSA in 2010 and served as the Director of Workforce Development and Safety at NYSA's Training Center, located in Port Elizabeth. She was instrumental in restructuring the workforce training programs and increasing safety awareness and education in the Port of New York/New Jersey and was chosen to serve as an employer representative at the International Labour Organization in Geneva where she worked with government and labor representatives to review, revise and adopt guidelines for training in the port sector.

Prior to NYSA, Winfree worked with Trans Freight Lines then at Sea-Land Services, where she held positions of Marine Manager and Terminal Operations Manager in the port of Portsmouth, overseeing berth expansion and gate automation projects, and Terminal Operations Manager in the ports of Baltimore and Elizabeth.

Winfree is a graduate of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point and has a Master of Arts from Monmouth University. She serves as the co-chair of the Joint NYSA-ILA Safety Committee and the NYSA-ILA Accident Review Committee. She recently joined the Board of Directors of the National Maritime Safety Association (NMSA) and is a member of the NMSA Technical Committee. Winfree and her husband reside in New Jersey with their two daughters.

About the New York Shipping Association

New York Shipping Association (NYSA) is an organization comprised of the ocean cargo carriers, terminal operators, stevedores, and marine-related businesses that operate the ships, move the cargo, hire and train the laborers, provide and maintain the equipment, that move more than \$190 billion in products to and from the largest and richest consumer market in the world. NYSA represents the interests of its members in maximizing the efficiency, cost competitiveness, safety and quality of marine cargo operations in the Port of New York and New Jersey. NYSA maintains close collaboration with other maritime and maritime-related organizations with shared interests, and partners with public agencies tasked with the improvement of the region's transportation system. For more information, please visit www.nysanet.org.

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