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## A RECORD YEAR IN 2014 FOR PORT OF BALTIMORE

Baltimore Again Handles More Cars Than Any Other U.S. Port; Other Records Set As Port Continues In Its Role As One Of Maryland's Leading Economic Generators

(BALTIMORE, MD) --- The Maryland Port Administration today announced that 2014 was a record year for key targeted commodities at the Port of Baltimore's public marine terminals. Autos and containers each established new records that helped the Port's public marine terminals to a new overall total general cargo record of 9.7 million tons. General cargo at the public marine terminals is autos, containers, forest products, roll on/roll off equipment, and breakbulk. In addition to the new records, the Port of Baltimore again reached top national status in handling certain commodities.

"The Port of Baltimore is one of Maryland's most important economic assets and it will play an integral role in our efforts to help grow the state's economy," said Governor Larry Hogan. "My administration is focused on building Maryland's reputation as a place that's Open for Business and the Port can play a pivotal role in spreading this message while also delivering real economic growth."

### INTERNATIONAL CARGO RECORDS ESTABLISHED AT THE PORT OF BALTIMORE IN 2014:

- Autos (public and private terminals):
  - o 792,795 cars (Highest among all U.S. ports for the fourth consecutive year)
  - o The previous record was 752,100 cars in 2013.
  
- Export Autos (public terminals):
  - o 259,312 exported cars (Fourth straight year for record export cars)
  - o Up nine percent from last year's record of 237,397 export cars.
  
- Containers (public terminals) :
  - o 484,410 containers (up 10 percent from 2013).
  - o The previous record was 439,802 containers in 2013.
  
- General Cargo (public terminals):
  - o 9.7 million tons (up one percent from 2013)
  - o The previous record was 9.6 million tons in 2012.

Combining both the public and private marine terminals, the Port of Baltimore saw 29.5 million tons of international cargo cross its docks last year which was valued at approximately \$52.5 billion. Baltimore is ranked as the top port among all U.S. ports for handling autos and light trucks, farm and construction machinery, imported forest products, imported sugar, and imported aluminum. Overall Baltimore is ranked ninth for the total dollar value of cargo and 13th for cargo tonnage for all U.S. ports.

Business at the Port of Baltimore generates about 14,630 direct jobs, while about 108,000 jobs in Maryland are linked to port activities. The Port is responsible for \$3 billion in personal wages and salary and more than \$300 million in state and local taxes.

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