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Statement by Joseph C. Curto, President of the New York Shipping Association, Inc., regarding proposed Port Authority of New York and New Jersey toll hikes

“We fully understand the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey’s efforts to raise revenue which will help pay for critical infrastructure improvements, like the Bayonne Bridge. We support them in that effort, however, we are not in the position to comment on whether or not the proposed levels of increase are appropriate.

We trust the Port Authority’s leadership and the leadership of New Jersey Governor Chris Christie and New York Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to determine what is required and also, what is suitable with regard to the size of the increases.”

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