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## **NEWS RELEASE**

### **Port of Albany Leadership receives Honors**

***CEO Hendrick and Chief Commerce Officer Daly recognized***

(July 23, 2024) Port of Albany CEO Richard Hendrick was recently named as one of ***City & State NY's Transportation Power 100*** list and Chief Commerce Officer Megan Daly was honored as one of the ***Albany Business Review's Power 50*** for 2024, highlighting “influential women in positions of power across many industries.”

“On behalf of the Albany Port District Commissioners, I am so proud of Rich and Megan for all of their accomplishments and this recognition from the business and transportation communities,” said Georgette Steffens, Albany Port District Commission Chairperson. “To have two of the Port’s officers recognized, within one week, for their leadership and vision shows why the Port continues to be an economic engine in our region and for New York, one that directly and indirectly supports more than 4,500 jobs. Rich and Megan continue to navigate complex challenges and strategic partnerships that have a direct impact on the success of the traditional maritime operations as well as the tenacity needed in the ongoing development of offshore wind supply chain manufacturing expansion project.”

Named to ***City and State NY's Transportation Power 100*** list, Richard J. Hendrick is the Chief Executive Officer of the Port of Albany-Rensselaer and has been with the Port since 2004. During this time, the Port has experienced historical increases in ships, tonnage and longshore labor hours worked. Hendrick has also overseen the largest capital investment and infrastructure upgrades since the Port was established in 1932, nearing \$300 million – with plans for an additional \$500 million in the future. Hendrick serves on the Board of Commissioners of Pilots of the State of New York and is on the Board of Directors of the American Association of Port Authorities (AAPA) United States – North Atlantic Region and has served in several leadership roles of the North Atlantic Ports Association. In late April, Hendrick was invited by the White House to attend the National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy Roundtable hosted by the White House Climate Policy Office, the Department of Energy, Department of Transportation, Environmental Protection Agency and the Joint Office of Transportation and Energy to launch the implementation of the National Zero-Emission Freight Corridor Strategy. He was also invited to Washington, DC for the U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration’s (MARAD) National Maritime Day Ceremony at the invitation of Administrator Ann Phillips, United States Navy rear admiral (ret.), where the Port of Albany was the only port in attendance. Under Hendrick’s leadership, the Port of Albany received its eight-year consecutive Green Marine certification. The Port of Albany was the first port in New York State to join the program that sets an environmentally forward benchmark for ports in North America. While the Port was working

toward this achievement --and in alignment with the Green Marine goals-- the Port of Albany recently submitted two applications to the U.S. EPA Clean Ports Initiative.

Named to ***Albany Business Review's Power 50*** list, Megan Daly is the Port's Chief Commerce Officer and has been with the Port for more than ten years. Daly oversees the Port's economic development, business development, strategic real estate development and opportunities, grant development, project assistance, communications, marketing, and sales and is keenly aware of organizational growth initiatives related to international, national and regional markets. During her tenure the Port has expanded its land size nearly 50% and has undertaken a number of major maritime infrastructure projects including developing the first offshore wind supply chain manufacturing site in the United States. Daly is a member of the Capital Region Regional Economic Development Council. Prior to joining the Port, Daly served in the New York State Governor's office as lead staff for the New York Statewide Regional Economic Development Council Program. Before that, she served as the Deputy Commissioner for the City of Albany Economic Development, and prior to that was a Senior Economic Developer for Albany County. Daly holds a Master in Urban and Regional Planning from the University at Albany. She studied for a year at the University of Maryland's master's program where she participated in an industrial study at the Port of Baltimore.

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With four transport modes -- ocean vessels, barges, freight railroads, interstate highways -- the Port of Albany is Upstate New York's largest public port/logistics hub and serves as a Port of Entry with on-site U.S. Customs office and bonded warehouse. The Port is open and active year-round and includes deep-water shipping access and approximately 450 acres of land on both sides of the Hudson River in three municipalities. The Port of Albany is located 124 nautical miles north of the Battery in New York Harbor. The facility is currently undertaking nearly \$100 million in maritime upgrades and investment as well as a \$700+ million Port expansion project. For more information, visit [www.portofalbany.us](http://www.portofalbany.us).