

ITEM #11: PORT OF VIRGINIA STATUS REPORT: *John Reinhart, VPA*

SUMMARY:

The Port of Virginia, the deepest on the U.S. East Coast, is surrounded by the world's largest naval base; a robust shipbuilding and repair industry; a thriving export coal trade, and the sixth largest containerized cargo facility in the United States.

Mr. John Reinhart, CEO and Executive Director for the Virginia Port Authority, will brief the HRTPO Board on this item.

BACKGROUND:

Over the past year, several projects have moved forward simultaneously at the Port of Virginia, including:

- \$350 million State investment for the expansion of the Norfolk International Terminals (NIT)
- Efforts to deepen the Norfolk Harbor to 55 feet
- New lease for the Virginia International Gateway
- Purchase of additional of 86 automated stacking cranes

RECOMMENDED ACTION

For informational purposes.