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ILTA liquid terminal operators safely continuing vital operations during COVID-19

Washington, DC, March 23, 2020—The International Liquid Terminal Association’s terminal members are taking precautions to protect workers and contractors while safely continuing with their vital operations during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Liquid terminals are a critical logistics link in getting liquid products—like gasoline, diesel, chemicals and liquid foods—in the hands of the ultimate consumer. For the pandemic, this means ensuring adequate supplies of gasoline, diesel and jet fuel so that emergency supplies and food can be delivered by plane or truck and that emergency personnel can travel to work.

Among other things, ILTA members are taking the following actions to ensure that their personnel are protected, and operations continue safely:

- Following government and CDC recommendations for practicing personal hygiene and social distancing important for minimizing the spread of COVID-19
- Following CDC and regulator guidance on healthy operations of terminals, including at ports and harbors and at truck loading racks
- Developing and updating company plans to minimize health risks and continue operations safely
- Staying in close contact with fellow terminal operators – through weekly ILTA COVID-19 peer exchange calls and an ILTA member online forum – to exchange information on best practices for continued operations and worker safety during this challenge
- Staying in close contact, either directly or through ILTA, with regulators and other federal, state and local government officials to exchange information, identify challenges and resolve issues to ensure continued safe operations, critical to COVID-19 response

ILTA and its member companies continue to monitor the situation closely and adjust practices, as needed or requested, to protect the safety of our employees and contractors, while continuing to provide mission-critical operations. We join in wishing all communities safety and health as the situation continues to evolve.

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Founded in 1974, the International Liquid Terminals Association represents more than 85 companies operating liquid terminals in all 50 states and in over 40 countries. Our members’ facilities provide critical links between all modes of transportation for liquid commodities, such as crude oil, petroleum products, chemicals, renewable fuels, fertilizer, vegetable oils and other food-grade materials that are central to the U.S. economy. Terminals provide essential logistics services that spur trade both within the United States and connect the U.S. economy with overseas markets. ILTA’s membership also includes about 400 companies that supply equipment and services to the terminal industry.