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## **MPA EMPLOYEE RECEIVES AWARD FROM AREA BUSINESS ASSOCIATION**

### *Baltimore Custom Brokers and Forwarders Association Presents to Mary Jane Norris*

(BALTIMORE, MD) --- Cockeysville resident and Maryland Port Administration (MPA) Manager for Port Operations Services Mary Jane Norris received the first Recognition Award presented by the Baltimore Custom Brokers and Forwarders Association Board. The award was presented to Ms. Norris on October 15, 2010 in recognition of her outstanding dedication and inspiration to the Port of Baltimore community.

Ms. Norris has been an employee of the MPA for 28 years and has served in a variety of positions including assistant regional sales manager. She sits on the board and is a past president of both the Women's Traffic and Transportation Club and the Council of the Supply Chain Management Professionals. Ms. Norris is also an active member of the advisory boards for the Anne Arundel County and Cecil County Community Colleges Transportation Programs, and for the International Business Program for Elizabethtown College.

The Port of Baltimore generates about 16,700 direct jobs. Out of about 360 U.S. ports, Baltimore is ranked number one for handling imported roll on/roll off (farm and construction equipment) and imported forest products, gypsum, sugar and iron ore. Baltimore is ranked second for exporting cars. The Port is responsible for about \$3.7 billion in personal wage and salary income. Activities at the Port of Baltimore generate nearly \$400 million in state and local taxes.

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