



# BI-STATE NEWS

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## Meeting at PNCT Focuses on New Gates, Appointment System



Bi-State Board Members attended a Focus Group Meeting at Port Newark Container Terminal on April 17th to learn more about the \$500 million in facilities upgrades that are underway, which are expected to double the number of containers moving through the terminal. Two new Super Post-Panamax cranes are due to arrive soon, with an additional two cranes expected before the end of the year. ([To view a video presentation detailing the upgrades at PNCT, click HERE.](#))

PNCT's new gate system has been completed and is currently being tested. The system will feature one-stop job dispatching and will debut within the next few weeks. The Bi-State was given a preview of how the new system will function, and encouraged to provide feedback. Board Members were also asked to provide insight on the topic of Appointment Systems, as PNCT continues to fine-tune its Truck Management System, which they expect to launch in the latter half of 2018.

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The Association of Bi-State Motor Carriers hosts Focus Groups on a regular basis with each of the marine terminals that serve the Port of NY & NJ, to keep the lines of communication running smoothly between the intermodal trucking community and the terminal operators.

Bi-State Board Members meet with Administrators, Yard Managers, and other key personnel to discuss issues of concern, provide feedback on service levels, and review any proposed changes or upgrades to operations at the terminals. Focus Group participation is just one example of how the Bi-State advocates for its members, providing a strong, unified voice for intermodal motor carriers.

The next Bi-State Focus Group is scheduled for early May at APMT. A recap of that Focus Group will be shared at our next General Meeting on May 8th at 10am. Meetings are not open to the public and are for Bi-State Members only.



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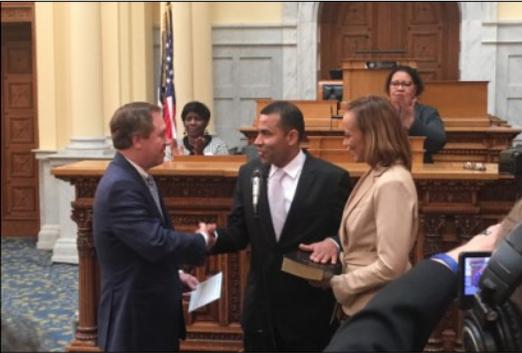
## Important Notice re: Parking Department at APMT



Starting April 9, 2018, the Parking Department at APM Terminal will no longer be located in the Marine Building, due to ongoing construction and improvements. Parking can only be contacted via hotline at 908-558-6221 or 908-558-6223.

If a container cannot be located, truckers are asked to call the Parking hotline numbers listed above for assistance and further instructions.

## Legislative Update: Roster Shifts Continue in Senate & Assembly



**Speaker Craig Coughlin congratulates Assemblyman Pedro Mejia**

Legislative shifts continued in both the Assembly and Senate this month: Assemblyman Pedro Mejia was sworn in as the first Dominican-American member of the legislature on April 12th, representing District 32. He replaces outgoing Assemblyman Vincent Prieto, who was appointed President and CEO of the NJ Sports & Exposition Authority.

Senator Bob Gordon resigned in order to accept an appointment to the Board of Public Utilities. Joseph Lagana, who has represented District 38 in the Assembly since 2014, was chosen to replace him. Districtmate Assemblyman Tim Eustace also resigned from the legislature, accepting a Deputy Director position at the North Jersey District Water Supply Commission. Replacements will be appointed soon to fill the Assembly seats, and all three will be up for election in November.



**Senator Diegnan**

Following the departure of Senator Gordon, Senator Patrick Diegnan Jr. took the helm as the Chair of the Senate Transportation Committee. "I look forward to working with my colleagues on the committee, as well as stakeholders, in tackling the many pressing challenges we will face in the coming session," Senator Diegnan told the Bi-State. "Our goals will be steadfast and unwavering, along with Governor Murphy, to ensure that our state has the safest, most efficient, and modern transportation system in the nation; that improves the quality of life for all our people, businesses and communities in the Garden State."

## In Memoriam: Assemblyman Jerry Green 4/16/39—4/18/18



Assemblyman Jerry Green passed away on April 18th, after a long illness. He had served in the State Assembly since 1992. Assemblyman Jamel Holley and Assemblywoman Annette Quijano (District 20, representing Hillside, Union, Roselle, Elizabeth) paid tribute to their colleague and friend:

"Jerry Green is an inspiration for any young man or woman growing up in humble means and wondering what will become of them," said Assemblyman Holley. "He spent his childhood in Roselle and never forgot what it was like to see people struggling to get ahead. In fact, Assemblyman Green, lived a public service-focused life to improve our communities. Jerry was a hard-working man his entire life; he never retired. He never stopped trying to help others get ahead. I will never forget his service to New Jersey, as he was focused on creating better policy and inspiring conversation on the issues that truly matter in our state. I will miss my friend, my mentor and the reason why I am committed to serving others. My sincerest condolences to his wife Wanda Green and family. Thank you for sharing Jerry with all of us for so many years."

"Jerry was always a fighter for those who didn't have a voice," Assemblywoman Quijano said, "and was a fearless defender of his constituents' best interest. Whether it was as Chair of the Assembly Housing & Community Development, Union County Freeholder, or Union County Democratic Chairman, Jerry was a champion for the people. His presence will be very much missed in Trenton and Union County. I, along with the people of New Jersey, thank him for his dedication to making the Garden State a more fair and equitable place for all its residents. We are all better because he served."



*Photo courtesy of Asw. Quijano*

Governor Phil Murphy has ordered that flags be flown at half-staff at all state buildings on May 7, 2018, in honor of Assemblyman Jerry Green and his many years of dedicated service to the citizens of New Jersey. The Bi-State Association extends its condolences to Assemblyman Green's family and loved ones on their loss.

## High Attendance at TLD Career Awareness & Job Expo

The Port of New York & New Jersey's Council on Port Performance hosted a TLD Career Awareness & Job Expo on Wednesday, April 18th, from 10am to 3pm at 1400 Corbin Street in Elizabeth, NJ. The event was part of the CPP's Workforce Development Implementation Team, and participation was free for exhibitors and attendees.

The purpose of the event was connect TLD industry businesses with potential job candidates, raise awareness about the Port of NY & NJ operations and the TLD industry, introduce members of nearby communities to TLD careers, and underscore the economic and social significance of the Port of NY & NJ. Turnout for the event far exceeded expectations, with hundreds of job seekers and community members taking advantage of the opportunity to learn more about the career potential in the fields of transportation, logistics and distribution .



### DO YOU HAVE JOB OPENINGS OR INTERNSHIPS AVAILABLE?

#### WE CAN CONNECT YOU WITH APPLICANTS!

Bi-State representatives attended the TLD Job Expo on behalf of our members, and collected names and contact info for dozens of potential applicants interested in pursuing a career or internship in our industry.

If you are looking to fill open positions at your company—CDL drivers, office staff, marketing trainees, dispatchers, logistics coordinators, high school or college interns, etc.—please send your information to Communications Director Lisa Yakomin at [LisaY@thebistate.com](mailto:LisaY@thebistate.com) in order to have your listing included in our “TLD Job Opportunities” email blast. There is *no charge* for this service. Members are asked to provide their Company Name, the position they have available (indicate if it is Full-time, Part-Time, or an Internship), Job Description/Duties, and an email address and phone number for the Hiring Manager that applicants should contact for more information.



## TRAC Intermodal to Offer Mounted GenSets Starting May 2018

Equipment provider TRAC Intermodal, an Allied Bi-State Member, is introducing a new Select product to its New York/New Jersey customers: all-new underslung Gensets mounted to TRAC premium chassis for those carriers hauling temperature controlled cargo. The Gensets feature a 68-gallon fuel tank and front bolster mounted socket, pre-mounted to a TRAC chassis with OEM radial tires and LED lights.

The TRAC Genset pool will be available at C & C Maintenance & Repair at 88 Marsh Street starting in May. The Daily Rental Rate is \$60; members are encouraged to contact TRAC customer service if longer term rental options are needed.

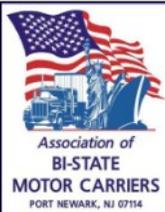
To check availability, call 877-987-2226, option 3, or email [customerservice@tracintermodal.com](mailto:customerservice@tracintermodal.com). To book a Genset chassis, visit [www.tracconnect.com](http://www.tracconnect.com) and use EZ-Book, TRAC's online reservation system.

A flyer with additional details on the program is available [HERE](#) or by clicking on the photo below.



### DATES TO REMEMBER

May 8	General Meeting
May 28	Memorial Day
June 12	General Meeting
July 4	Independence Day
July 10	General Meeting



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Join us for our next  
**General Member Meeting\***  
**Tuesday, May 8th**  
**@ 1000 hours**

**NYSA Training Ctr. Auditorium**  
**1210 Corbin Street**  
**Elizabeth, NJ**

*\*Meetings are for Bi-State Members only, and are not open to the public.*