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## ***Trucking Consulting Firm, Ahern & Associates Engaged by National Drayage Services, LLC (NDS) to Secure Bi-Coastal Agent Opportunities***

*NDS seeks to expand agent operations to Los Angeles and New York, hires transportation consultants, Ahern and Associates to aid in securing agent locations.*

Phoenix, AZ August 31, 2009--Securing successful agent locations in the nation's two largest ports of entry is an integral first step in NDS' overall, long term growth strategy. Assigned with the task of seeking out and acquiring agent partners that conform to NDS' standards is Ahern & Associates, the nation's leading trucking and transportation consulting firm.

Leveraging their broad list of contacts accrued over their twenty-two years in business, the skilled consultants at Ahern & Associates truly understand the market and are well positioned to advance the growth strategies of NDS. Developing agent locations in Los Angeles and New York will allow NDS to markedly expand their thriving import/export cargo business as well as increase their capacity to service their existing customer base.

Selecting Ahern & Associates to guide their expansion efforts was not a difficult decision for the company explains Christopher Moore, President of NDS. "We've had a long standing relationship with Andy Ahern of Ahern & Associates. They've helped our family of companies in the past and have always provided a very high level of service."

Andy Ahern, CEO of Ahern & Associates comments on his relationship with NDS and IMC Companies. "We've really enjoyed working with them on previous deals and are confident that we can secure the right agent partners for their company." Ahern goes on to explain, "Because of the affinity relationships we've developed within the trucking and shipping industries, we're often times able to create markets where they didn't exist before."

If all goes according to plan, NDS intends to add an additional ten agent locations by the end of 2010.

### **About National Drayage Services, LLC (NDS):**

NDS is a Memphis-based non-asset based motor carrier who provides intermodal transportation services specializing in import/export cargo shipments. In addition to inland trucking, they offer port-to-port drayage; local and long haul drayage; U.S. Customs bonded carrier; specialized equipment; dedicated operations. For additional information please visit <http://www.NDSV.com>.

### **About Ahern and Associates:**

Ahern and Associates is North America's leading trucking and transportation management consulting firm. The skilled consultants at Ahern and Associates specialize in mergers and acquisitions of trucking and logistics companies as well as the restructuring and evaluation of existing carriers that seek to increase operating efficiency and improve profitability. Since 1987, Ahern and Associates has aided

hundreds of buyers in the acquisition of trucking and logistics companies throughout the U.S. and Canada as well as assisting many transportation and logistics companies in reducing their overall operating costs and increasing their profitability. For more information, please call 602-242-1030 or visit <http://www.Ahern-Ltd.com>.

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