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MTC PRESIDENT DOUGLAS TILDEN RIZZA LECTURE AT CALIFORNIA MARITIME ACADEMY SET FOR JANUARY 29TH

(Vallejo, CA – December 15, 2007)... Douglas A. Tilden, President and CEO of Marine Terminals Corporation (MTC), will deliver a RADM Joseph P. Rizza Lecture at the California Maritime Academy in Vallejo, CA, Tuesday, January 29th at 11 a.m. Tilden's talk will examine major trends in international trade and transportation, particularly on the Pacific Rim, and their impact on the maritime industry over the next one to two decades. Among topics he will address:

- How China's rapid growth in global trade, transportation, training and shipbuilding will impact the maritime industry in the years ahead.
- How the lack of coordinated national infrastructure planning and policies in the U.S. could impact future cargo flows.
- The potential impact of expanding port and terminal operations in Canada and Mexico on West Coast U.S. ports and terminals

"We're honored to have Mr. Tilden address our students, faculty and campus guests as part of the Rizza Lecture series," said Maritime Academy President William B. Eisenhardt. "He has 18 years of operations and management experience with U.S. Lines in Oceania, the Middle East, Asia and South America. He joined Marine Terminals Corporation two decades ago and has been President of the firm, one of the world's leading terminal operations companies, since 1996.

"That gives him a unique perspective on the maritime industry -- one we think will be of great interest to all who attend. It is the goal of the Rizza series to expose our cadets, faculty, staff, and industry leaders to new ideas and perspectives over a longer timeframe – ideas and views which will help stimulate thinking about where our industry is heading. Our market sector is undergoing major and rapid changes. That is why these lectures are valuable to the senior management of Cal Maritime in helping us adapt our programs and resources to address those challenges and opportunities which lie ahead."

The Rizza Lecture Series is made possible by a generous endowment grant from RADM Joseph P. Rizza (Ret.) of Coronado, CA, who served as President of the California Maritime Academy from 1972 to 1983. The series is open to the public but RSVP acknowledgement by outside guests wishing to attend is encouraged. Contact Karen Spall at The California Maritime Academy Foundation (707) 654-1246 or kspall@csum.edu.

The program will commence at 11 a.m. in the Academy's Peachman lecture hall. Information about campus access, directions and locations can be found on the Cal Maritime Website at www.csum.edu or by contacting the Foundation office.