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Governor Appoints Marty Barrington to VPA Board of Commissioners

NORFOLK, VA – The Virginia Port Authority Board of Commissioners at its next meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 25, will welcome its newest member, Marty Barrington. He was appointed to the board by Gov. Tim Kaine.

Barrington will fulfill the unexpired term of Ginny Murphy, whose term was set to expire June 30, 2009.

Barrington is the executive vice president of corporate responsibility at Philip Morris USA. In that role he leads the following departments: Compliance & Brand Integrity, Corporate Communications, Government Affairs and the Youth Smoking Prevention and Corporate Responsibility Programs. He also serves as the company's chief compliance officer.

Barrington has been with Philip Morris since 1993 and has worked at Altria Group Inc., the parent company of Philip Morris, and Philip Morris International in Switzerland.

Before joining Philip Morris, Barrington was a partner at the law firm of Hunton & Williams and a law clerk for the U.S. Court of Appeals of the Fourth Circuit. He is a graduate of the Albany Law School of Union University.

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The Virginia Port Authority (VPA) is an agency of the Commonwealth of Virginia, reporting to the state Secretary of Transportation. The VPA owns and operates four general cargo facilities on behalf of the state: Norfolk International Terminals, Portsmouth Marine Terminal, Newport News Marine Terminal and the Virginia Inland Port in Warren County. The terminals are operated by Virginia International Terminals, Inc. (VIT) the non-stock, non-profit operating company. The VPA, through terminal earnings generated by VIT, is operationally self-sufficient. The VPA and correlating maritime industry is responsible for 165,000 jobs, \$762 million in business revenues and \$61 million in state and local taxes throughout the Commonwealth.