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### **CII to Hold Connie Dinner in Long Beach; Seeks Award Nominations**

*Connie will be presented to deserving industry leaders now at October dinner in California and December luncheon in NY area*

HOLMDEL, N.J. (April 20, 2009)—The Containerization & Intermodal Institute (CII) will host an industry-wide Connie Award dinner on October 1 at the Renaissance Hotel in Long Beach, Ca. The event is in addition to the annual Connie Luncheon that will take place December 7 at the Newark Club in Newark, N.J.

Allen Clifford, CII President and Executive VP of Mediterranean Shipping Company, said: “Every year industry representatives across the U.S. have been drawn to the prestigious Connie Awards, so we will hold a Connie program on both coasts to meet the popular demand of this event. The Connie Award has gone to industry leaders throughout the U.S., and even internationally, at a single event each year on the East Coast. It is time that we bring this gala and prestigious award event so our West Coast business community can honor our recipients as well.”

Mr. Clifford noted that CII is seeking nominations for both the California and NY/NJ events. The Connie Award has been presented to those who have significantly contributed to the containerization and intermodal industry since 1972, including those in rail, shipping, ports, importers and exporters, 3PLs, technology and the media, among others.

Connie nominations should be submitted to the CII office by May 8, 2009. To nominate yourself or a colleague, visit [www.containerization.org/nominations.htm](http://www.containerization.org/nominations.htm) or contact Barbara Yeninas, CII Executive Director, at (800) 231-8244 or [execdir@containerization.org](mailto:execdir@containerization.org).

In addition to the awards at both events, CII will present scholarships to deserving students studying logistics or transportation. Any company that would like to become involved in sponsoring a scholarship or either event should contact Barbara Yeninas for various options.

Since 1960, CII has been dedicated to promoting and supporting the business of international trade and the intermodal container transportation community.

#### **About Containerization & Intermodal Institute**

Containerization & Intermodal Institute (CII), a non-profit organization founded in 1960, promotes industry awareness, preserves the history of intermodalism, and engages scholarly interest in the field by organizing educational conferences and seminars, serving as an information resource, providing networking opportunities, offering career guidance, arranging internships and facilitating scholarships. For more information, visit [www.containerization.org](http://www.containerization.org).

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