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Clean Air a Priority as Port Corpus Christi Sponsors The 17th Annual AutoCheck Event

Corpus Christi, TX, USA – On Tuesday, July 12th from 9 AM - 2 PM Port Corpus Christi will sponsor an AutoCheck event at the Whataburger Field parking lot. This is the 17th AutoCheck event sponsored by Port Corpus Christi.

The AutoCheck program is performed with penalty monies collected from a Texas Commission for Environmental Quality (TCEQ) enforcement action. AutoCheck events are held many times each year in Corpus Christi and are run by the Pollution Prevention Partnership at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi. Residents may bring their vehicles for complimentary tailpipe emissions and gas cap leak tests. Vehicles with polluting emissions or leaking gas caps may qualify for vouchers towards free repairs.

Port Corpus Christi supports the efforts of the AutoCheck program as it is an excellent opportunity for the community to take part in improving air quality in the Coastal Bend region and keeping our area from going into non-attainment of National Ambient Air Quality Standards.

"Air quality in our region is excellent due in large part to volunteer efforts by stakeholders and industry. AutoCheck is an opportunity for citizens to make voluntary efforts towards maintaining our air quality..." said **John LaRue, Port Corpus Christi Executive Director.**

WHAT: Free Auto Check Event - Open to the Public

WHEN: Tuesday, July 12, 2016 from 9 AM - 2 PM

WHERE: Whataburger Field Parking lot - Corpus Christi, Texas

About Port Corpus Christi

As the primary economic engine of the Coastal Bend, Port Corpus Christi is the 5th largest port in the United States in total tonnage. Our mission; to "Leverage Commerce to Drive Prosperity." Our vision; "To be the energy port of the America's." Strategically located on the western Gulf of Mexico, with a straight, 45' deep channel, Port Corpus Christi provides quick access to the Gulf and the entire United States inland waterway system. The Port delivers outstanding access to overland transportation with on-site direct connections to three Class-1 railroads and uncongested interstate and state highways. Port Corpus Christi is protected by a state-of-the-art security department and an award-winning Environmental Management System. With outstanding management and operations staff, Port Corpus Christi is clearly "The Port of the Lone Star State."

<http://www.portcorpuschristi.com/>

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