RESOLUTION 2013-43

RESOLUTION AMENDING BPC POLICY NO. 021, MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF PORT COMMISSIONERS

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, this 5th day of March, 2013, by the following vote:

AYES: Malcolm, Moore, Nelson, Smith, Valderrama NAYS: None. EXCUSED: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: None.

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Ann Y. Moore, Chair Board of Port Commissioners

ATTEST:

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