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Stephen Bland, President & CEO of the Port Authority of Allegheny County, to be Guest Speaker at African American Chamber of Commerce PowerBreakfast

(Pittsburgh, PA – June 12, 2008) The President & CEO of the Port Authority of Allegheny County, Stephen Bland, will be the featured speaker at the African American Chamber of Commerce of Western Pennsylvania's monthly PowerBreakfast Meeting on Thursday, June 19, 2008. The meeting will begin at 7:30 AM and will be held at the Rivers Club, One Oxford Centre.

As part of his presentation, Mr. Bland will discuss the status of contract negotiations among Port Authority bus drivers—many of whom are considering early retirement to protect their lifetime insurance benefits; their current contract expires June 30th. Mr. Bland will also discuss the implications of rising gas prices, as many drivers consider alternate means of transportation. Finally, he will update members on the status of the North Shore Connector project. Afterwards, audience members will have the opportunity to ask questions.

The African American Chamber of Commerce holds PowerBreakfast Meetings every month featuring guest speakers from the public, private and government business sectors. The networking opportunities presented by the PowerBreakfast Meetings provide access to key decision makers previously unavailable to African American Chamber members. The mission of the African American Chamber of Commerce of Western Pennsylvania is to continuously improve business and professional opportunities for African American business owners and professionals.

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