

Ricardo J. Arias Trade Development Manager Port of Houston Authority

Ricardo Arias has been a member of the Port of Houston Authority's Trade Development Division since April 2003, advancing to his present position of Trade Development Manager over the next two years.

In his present position, Arias is responsible for business development involving U.S. West Coast interests and promotion of the Port Authority's capabilities for handling steel products, perishables, food, coffee and beverages. He promotes and generates international and national trade that benefits the local economy by educating the public and maritime industry interests about the high quality of various subjects offered by the Port Authority.

Arias is a 1995 graduate of Houston Baptist University where he earned undergraduate degrees in business administration and marketing. Upon graduation he began a career in international transportation and logistics.

Mr. Arias has worked in business development and operations management for trucking, third party logistics, freight forwarding and steamship companies with an emphasis in business development in Mexico.