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Whitman to Name Aubrey C. Lewis to the Sports Authority Anthony J. Sartor to the Port Authority

NJ Gov. Christie Whitman today said that she intends to nominate Aubrey C. Lewis, of Montclair, as commissioner of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority. She also indicated that she will nominate Anthony J. Sartor, of Scotch Plains, to become a commissioner of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey. Lewis currently serves on the Port Authority and Sartor currently serves on the Sports Authority.

"Both of these men have had distinguished professional careers and stellar records as public servants. By making this switch, we will be taking full advantage of their expertise and maximize their service to the people of New Jersey," Whitman said.

"Aubrey Lewis was one of the original commissioners of the Sports and Exposition Authority. His expertise in sports, business and public service will be a welcome and important addition to the current board," she said.

"At a time when the Sports Authority is reviewing its core mission and considering plans to ensure its future as the premiere sports venue in the northeast, I can think of no one to better serve on the Sports Authority than one of its charter members," she said.

"Tony Sartor is one of the finest engineers in New Jersey. His understanding of infrastructure development and the needs of our state cannot be surpassed. His presence on the Board will be of tremendous benefit to the state and the millions who rely on the Port Authority," she said.

"Like the Sports Authority, the Port Authority is facing enormous challenges. Decisions about the future of our port and the continued viability of Newark International Airport demand someone with the expertise of Tony Sartor," the Governor said.

The nominations of Sartor and Lewis will be submitted to the Senate at its next meeting.