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SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY/NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE U.S. NAVY COMMISSARY BUILDING DEMOLITION PROJECT

The City of Los Angeles Harbor Department (Harbor Department) has prepared this Initial Study/Negative Declaration (IS/ND) to address the environmental effects of the U.S. Navy Commissary Building Demolition Project. The proposed Project consists of demolishing an existing structure at 390 Navy Way on Terminal Island. The building was constructed in 1983, as part of the Naval Operations Support Center and was vacated in 2010, when Naval operations relocated from the site. The building is approximately 51,000 square feet. Demolition would also include the perimeter sidewalks and planters for a total of 78,000 square feet. No new structures will be built and no operational land uses will occur as a result of the project.

The primary goal of the proposed Project is to comply with City of Los Angeles Fire Department's Fire/Life Safety Violation which requires the Harbor Department to both upgrade the building's fire suppression system (i.e., sprinkler system) and restore water and utilities to the site or to demolish the building. There is no future use currently proposed for the building so the most cost-effective option is demolition. The project site is not identified on the Cortese list (Government Code Section 65962.5).

The IS/ND has been prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code Section 21000 *et.seq.* and the State CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations (CCR) Section 15000 *et.seq.* This IS/ND includes a discussion of the proposed project's effects on the existing environment. This document is an IS/ND because there are no impacts associated with the proposed Project that must be mitigated in order to be below significance thresholds. In accordance with the CEQA Statutes and Guidelines, the IS/ND is being circulated for a period of 30 days for public review and comment. The public has an opportunity to provide written comments on the information contained within the IS/ND.

The 30-day review period will start on **June 16, 2014**, and end on **July 17, 2014**. A copy of the document is available for public review on the Port of Los Angeles website at: http://www.portoflosangeles.org; the Harbor Department's Environmental Management Division located at 222 West 6th Street, Suite 900, San Pedro; the Los Angeles City Library San Pedro Branch at 931 S. Gaffey Street; and at the Los Angeles City Library Wilmington Branch at 1300 North Avalon, Wilmington.

Comments on the IS/ND should be submitted in writing prior to the end of the 30-day public review period and must be postmarked by July 17, 2014. Please submit written comments to:

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Written comments may also be sent via email to ceqacomments@portla.org. Comments sent via email should include the project title in the subject line and a valid mailing address in the email.

For additional information, please contact Tara Tisopulos with the Harbor Department's Environmental Management Division at (310) 732-7713.

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