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Subject: Application for Placement of Dredged Material in the Port of Long Beach
Middle Harbor Fill Site – Main Channel Deepening Project

Dear Mr. Gioiello:

The Port of Los Angeles recently submitted an application to the Port of Long Beach to place approximately 630,000 cubic yards (cy) of dredged material from the Port of Los Angeles Main Channel Deepening Project into the Middle Harbor Slip 1. From the project application that was submitted, it appears that this project involves three different sediment sources: Source 1 (160,000 cy of material currently within the former Southwest Marine facility slip), Source 2 (163,000 cy of material from various areas that has been found unsuitable for ocean disposal), and Source 3 (220,000 to 307,000 cy of clean sediment from the China Shipping surcharge). Based on our review of your submittals, we are pleased to inform you that Source 3, the China Shipping surcharge material, qualifies for placement in the fill site and is conditionally approved for placement in Layer 5.

This conditional approval for China Shipping surcharge material is based in part upon the Port of Los Angeles fulfilling the following requirements:

- Obtain all required entitlements.
- Meet the established placement schedule for this project.
- Ensure that project funding, insurance requirements, Memorandum of Agreement, and other related documents have been satisfied.
- Develop a project-specific fill plan with Port of Long Beach engineers.

We regret to inform you that Source 1 and Source 2 do not qualify for placement in the fill site. A key purpose for providing this fill opportunity to third parties is to facilitate the dredging and safe sequestration of contaminated sediments which, if not for this project, would not have a feasible disposal option. Because Source 1 and Source 2 have an available disposal option, with all entitlements, and would displace contaminated material that would otherwise remain in the environment, acceptance of Source 1 and Source 2 would not be consistent with a key objective of this fill. However, because of its placement in the fill, the China Shipping surcharge would not displace any other third party material, and therefore, meets this objective. Furthermore, for the following technical reasons Source 1 and Source 2 materials do not meet the chemical and geotechnical requirements for acceptance in the fill.

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- **Source 1 (160,000 cy Southwest Marine Slip Material)**

From the chemical information provided in the application, it appears that samples throughout most of the site and at various depths contain Title 22 Hazardous Waste (TTLIC) levels. The Middle Harbor fill site cannot receive materials classified as hazardous. The Port of Long Beach sent a letter to the Port of Los Angeles (dated August 26, 2010) stating the concerns regarding the presence of hazardous materials. The Port of Los Angeles was given an opportunity to submit a dredge design plan that isolates hazardous materials and was notified that in order for the material to be considered further, the information must be provided by September 10, 2010. The Port of Long Beach did not receive any information regarding the isolation of hazardous material.

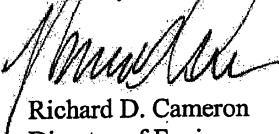
- **Source 2 (163,000 cy Main Channel Deepening Material)**

The chemical and geotechnical data provided with the application was for various locations throughout the Los Angeles harbor and did not clearly identify the specific material being requested for placement in the fill. In the letter to the Port of Los Angeles (dated August 26, 2010), the Port of Long Beach asked for clarification regarding the specific locations and corresponding chemical and geotechnical information for material to be considered for placement in the fill. While additional geotechnical data was provided, the requested information regarding specific locations was not provided, preventing us from determining what material was proposed for placement in the fill. In the letter, the Port of Los Angeles was notified that in order for the material to be considered further, the Port of Los Angeles must provide the information by September 10, 2010. The Port of Long Beach did not receive any information and could not develop a fill plan that included this material.

Attached is the preliminary list of projects tentatively accepted for the fill, with corresponding placement location and schedule information. The Port of Long Beach will be presenting the results of the application process and the tentative fill plan to the Contaminated Sediment Task Force (CSTF) for comment and discussion. The Port of Long Beach will then consider CSTF's input and finalize the fill plan in consultation with individual applicants. The Port of Los Angeles will be notified of the date and location of the CSTF meeting once it has been scheduled.

Thank you for your participation in the application process. If you have any questions, please contact Matt Arms or Janna Watanabe at (562) 590-4160.

Sincerely,



Richard D. Cameron
Director of Environmental Planning

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Attachment

**Middle Harbor Fill Site: Tentative Fill Plan
Off-Site Material – Phase 1**

Approximate Elevation (ft)	Fill Layer	Tentative Projects for Each Layer	Estimated Source Volume (cy)	Estimated Total Volume (cy)	Tentative Timing of Fill Availability
+15 to +45	7	Borrow Site	500,000	700,000	After Dec 2012
+8 to +15	6	Western Anchorage Storage Site	200,000		
		Western Anchorage Storage Site	300,000	300,000	Sept to Dec 2012
		LA County, Marina del Rey, Areas 1-6	116,000		
-5 to +8	5	LA County, Marina del Rey, Areas 7-9	108,000	531,000	May to Aug 2012
		Port of Los Angeles, China Shipping Surcharge	307,000		
		Eagle Rock Aggregate, Port of Long Beach D44	6,000		
		Misc. Port of Long Beach Projects	100,000		
-15 to -5	4	City of Long Beach Colorado Lagoon	70,000	300,000	Jan to Apr 2012
		City of Long Beach Alamitos Bay	41,000		
		LA County, Marina del Rey, Areas 7-9	83,000		
-20 to -15	3	LA County, Marina del Rey, Areas 1-6	164,000	164,000	June to Dec 2011
Granular Layer					
<-20	2	LA County, Marina del Rey, Areas 7-9	100,000	100,000	June to Dec 2011
Berm					
<-20		City of Long Beach, Pacific Strand	150,000	150,000	May to Aug 2011
		LA County, Marina del Rey, Areas 1-6	225,000	375,000	May to Aug 2011
		LA County, Marina del Rey, Areas 7-9	125,000	500,000	May to Aug 2011



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