SUBJECT: DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT/ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIS/EIR) FOR THE BERTH 136-147 [TRAPAC] CONTAINER TERMINAL PROJECT

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District (Corps) and the Los Angeles Harbor Department (Port) have prepared a joint Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) for the following project in the Port of Los Angeles:

**Berth 136-147 [TraPac] Container Terminal Project**

The Draft EIS/EIR is included for your review, in accordance with current City of Los Angeles Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, Article I; the State CEQA Guidelines, Article 7, Sections 15086-15087; and the California Public Resources Code Section 21153. The Notice of Availability for this project will be published in the Federal Register on June 29, 2007.

**Availability:**

The Draft EIS/EIR is available for review at: L.A. Public Library, Central Branch, 630 West 5th Street, Los Angeles California; L.A. Public Library, San Pedro Branch, 921 South Gaffey Street, San Pedro, California; L.A. Public Library, Wilmington Branch, 1300 North Avalon, Wilmington, California; or the Los Angeles Harbor Department, 425 South Palos Verdes Street, San Pedro, California. The public notice is available online at the Army Corps of Engineers website: www.spl.usace.army.mil/regulatory/POLA.htm and the entire document is available at the Port of Los Angeles web site: http://www.portoflosangeles.org/environment_pn.htm. A limited number of hard copies of the Draft EIS/EIR are also available at the Environmental Management Division offices to purchase. The Draft EIR/EIS is also available on CD for no charge.

**Public Meeting:**

The Corps and the Port will jointly conduct a public meeting to receive public comment on the Draft EIS/EIR for this project on July 31, 2007 at Banning Landing Community Center 100 E. Water Street, Wilmington CA. Participation in the public meeting by federal, state and local agencies and other interested organizations and persons are encouraged. This meeting is to be conducted in English with simultaneous English/Spanish translation services provided.

**Comments**

Written comments on the EIS/EIR will be received until August 20, 2007 and should be sent to both:
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Sincerely,

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