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Councilmember, 15th District

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Gary Lee Moore
Interim Executive Director
Port of Los Angeles
425 South Palos Verdes Street
San Pedro, California 90731

Dear Mr. Moore:

I hereby submit this letter of support for Vopak Terminal's proposal to remain at their existing location, and upgrade their current berth to Marine Operator Terminal Engineering and Maintenance Standards (MOTEMS).

Vopak's proposal seeks to accelerate the timeline for compliance with MOTEMS public safety mandated by the State of California. It also ensures that dozens of permanent high paying union jobs stay within the Wilmington community. In addition, the plan aims at incorporating some of the best available green technologies, where feasible. I am supportive of our port businesses who show leadership in growing green and supporting the local economy.

I applaud Vopak's commitment to being a good neighbor and funding charities and programs within the Harbor Area, such as the Harbor Community Benefit Foundation. I therefore urge you to work with the Board of Harbor Commissioners to approve Vopak Terminal's proposed plan.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

JOE BUSCAINO
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