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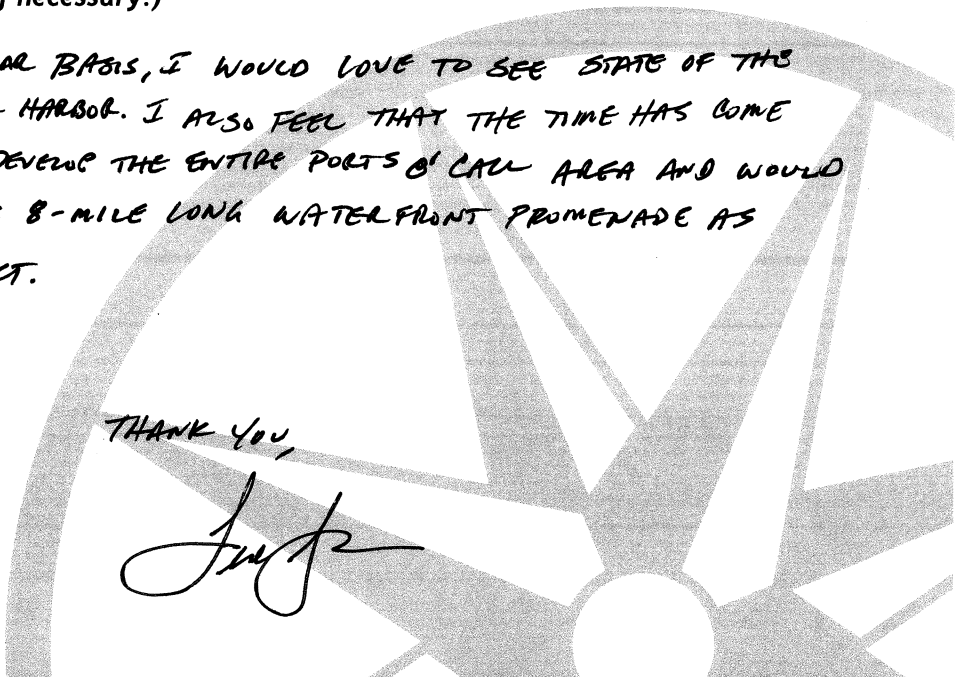
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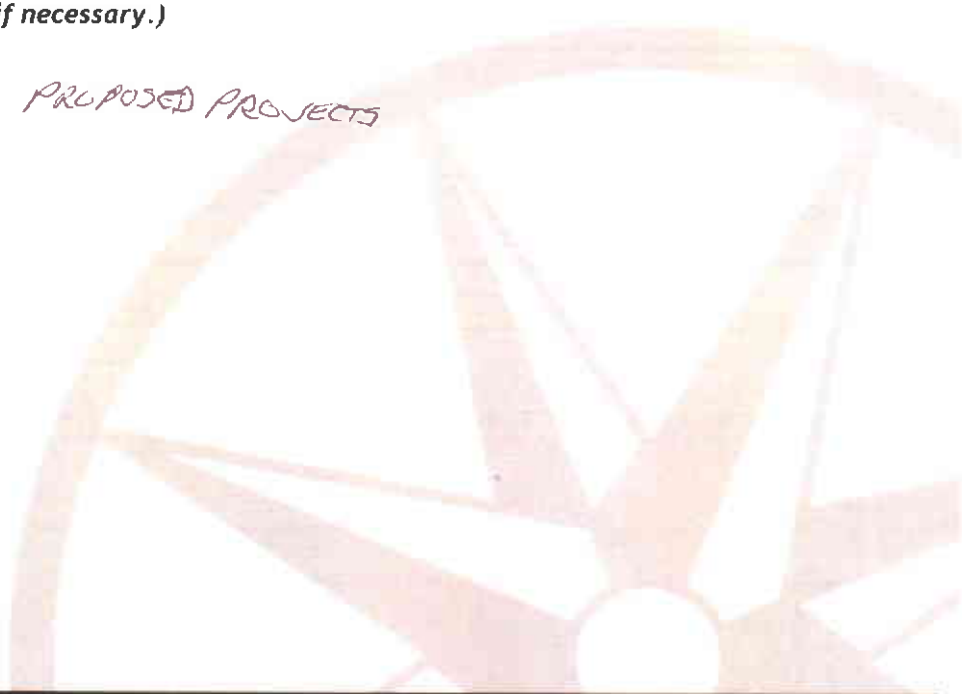
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Re: POLA Waterfront Development DEIR

Dear Mr. Appy:

Thank you for the opportunity to make my comments to the DEIR for the proposed waterfront development in San Pedro.

I have given a great deal of thought to the content of this letter. I realize you have a difficult job ahead of you to balance the commercial and business needs of your organization with the impact it will have on the lives of others. Not many businesses have such a symbiotic relationship with so many people when it comes to their health, safety, and the quality of their lives.

And yet POLA does have this responsibility. We know this because despite recommendations on Port initiatives from Neighborhood Councils and PCAC, your hundreds of thousands of neighbors are not given the power to intervene even where our health and safety are concerned. It's hard to believe given all the mandates to reform this practice we have not been able to build a true working partnership. The road from City Hall through the Tidelands Trust is not yet locally accountable and in this case the ideal of democracy is failing us.

I have talked to many of my neighbors and I can say with certainty that although they may not stand up at meetings or write letters, they are afraid. Afraid to speak out because this is a town with generational livelihood ties to the Port. And yet we live with the ever-present fear of how much damage the pollutants will affect us and our children. We keep our windows closed and use our yards sparingly, knowing we are risking further exposure. Our children play in schoolyards and sports fields in areas where the air is heavy with industrial pollutants. While we take the brunt, this pollution is so pervasive it is spread far and wide into the entire Los Angeles basin.

The Waterfront Development proposal has many laudable features (including LEED features and electric shuttles) and I don't know anyone in San Pedro who

isn't in favor of bringing new purpose and life into a languishing visitor-based waterfront. The potential there is great, for the Port, for San Pedro and all of Los Angeles. And yet we know the favored option with major cruise ship berths in the Outer Harbor and a disconnected, auto tourist flow (both to the ships and waterfront) not only will add significantly to the area's air pollution but doesn't provide sufficient planning to help our failing downtown benefit from the increased tourist trade. What we do get is increased noise, congestion and pollution.

Mayor Villaraigosa knows we have a serious air quality problem: He gave POLA a mandate to clean it up and although I know of the various programs in development (including Clean Trucks and cleaner diesel fuel in-harbor) statistics show air quality still hasn't made measurable progress. We cannot understand why the Port would go ahead with development plans that don't specifically mitigate every aspect of increased pollution when POLA has pledged to clean the air by 2020. As it is your job is hard enough – so why not prevent an increase in the first place?

Here are my observations so far:

- San Pedro Neighborhood Councils and PCAC object to the Outer Harbor berthing of new super-size cruise ships (22 stories) in front of Cabrillo Beach.
- The San Pedro Chamber of Commerce objects to aspects of the current development plan as it does not connect to or support our downtown business district.
- San Pedro Neighborhood Councils, Councilwoman Hahn, and the Chamber of Commerce object to the proposed waterfront visitor parking location as a waste of valuable land or too far from downtown businesses.
- The current Waterfront Development plans will bring millions of additional cars streaming into our small town, clogging our streets and adding major pollution to an already polluted area.

Here are my suggestions, culled from various meetings and discussions with others so I'm sure my voice is not alone:

- **Build additional berthing for the larger cruise ships in Inner Harbor area.** Outer Harbor Berthing serves the Port and the Cruise Lines only and does absolutely nothing to benefit our community. This location will overbear the recreational vista and use of Cabrillo Beach and restrict Marina flow. Further, this remote location disconnects passenger traffic our business district by providing new, self-sufficient terminals in situ.

- **Do not build parking structures on valuable waterfront land or far from SP downtown businesses.** Parking far away from the downtown area would only benefit waterfront businesses and events. Downtown businesses will continue to decline. Instead, integrate pedestrian visitor flow from waterfront to our downtown core.
- **Come up with a better multi-option solution for increased traffic so that millions of visitors don't add to an already serious air-pollution problem.** Mitigation must include short and long-term plans for satellite parking/shuttle programs and work with the City of L.A. to increase mass transit options in and out of the waterfront area, including express service from major transit points.

We are deeply invested in this area – my husband's family has been here since 1945 and one of our extended family members gave their life in a dock accident. Families have been here for generations, a unique distinction in the Los Angeles area. We think San Pedro is a very special place with a wonderful, vibrant past and the potential to become one of the most admired working waterfront towns in the world.

Please don't build something that will be seen twenty years from now as short-sighted and disposable. We have the planners and technology to support a forward-thinking, innovative multi-use area (as in the Sustainable Waterfront Plan) and it only takes an open mind to embrace what can and should be a world-class destination.

Walt Disney envisioned a world of tomorrow in the 1950's and his multi-billion dollar enterprise still delights today with the monorail and many other creative innovations. You have bright ideas presented to you by thoughtful, concerned professionals who care about the health and viability of this region just as much as you and your colleagues do. Listen and you will find the answers. Please.

Sincerely,



Valen Watson
Resident of San Pedro and mother of 5-year-old Mimi

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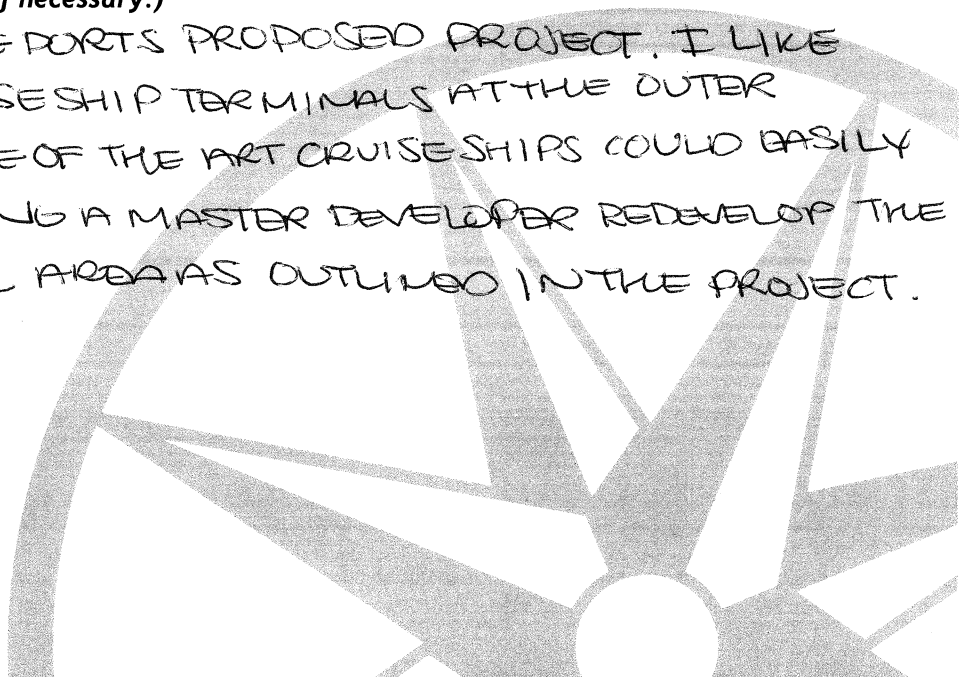
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I have lived in Los Angeles County for almost 32 years and has worked with Dynalectric for all those years. As an immigrant to this country, I could never thank ^{enough} the City of LA, especially LA Harbor Dept. for providing jobs and new opportunities for contractors and sub-contractors amidst this economic crisis. I have always preached to my family + friends that Port of LA projects are not dependent from taxpayers money or bond initiative. I have worked w/ Dynalectric in helping Port developed Pier 300 + 400 projects in the electrical field and have supported the plans LA Harbor had to offer in the past. As we are now approaching some critical environmental impact in any development these days due to population + economic growth, the LA Harbor Dept. must also

consider incorporating "green alternative" sources of energy in terms of conserving + protecting our local surroundings. After all, the Obama administration will be fully supportive of this as he repeatedly indicated on a national level. Besides the money, public confidence and their support of any major makeover to transform the San Pedro Waterfront into a World-class, stunningly beautiful "LA Waterfront" will be more of a success.

I attended a silver anniversary wedding this year in one of the fine restaurant in Port of Call and ~~I~~ with my wife and I ^{am} ~~were~~ impressed of the recent developments POLA has made to the surroundings and along the waterfront. I have not been involved in POLA projects for the last 4 years. I would love the Port of LA + US Army Corps of Engineers to continue to develop San Pedro and make this place a "shining center for tourism" compared to their neighboring Long Beach, Venice + Santa Monica Harbor.



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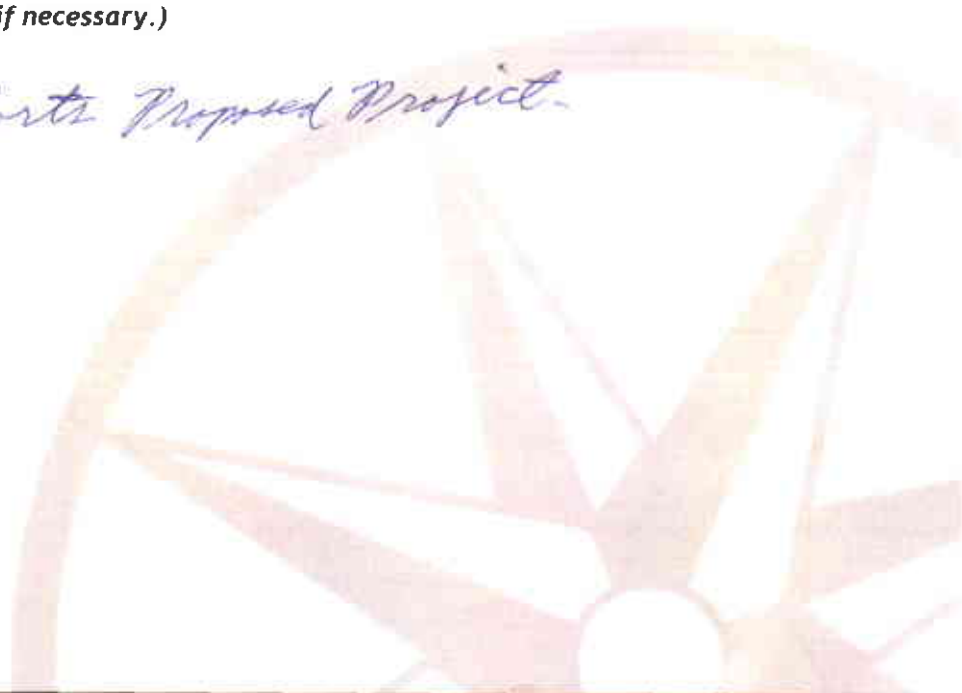
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