# SA RECYCLING AMENDMENT TO PERMIT No. 750 PROJECT

## **Final Subsequent Environmental Impact Report**

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### Chapter 1

## Introduction

#### 1.1 Final Subsequent Environmental Impact Report Organization

This chapter presents background and introductory information for the SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750 Project (Proposed Project). This chapter also describes the Proposed Project and its purpose under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and presents the authorities of the Los Angeles Harbor Department (LAHD or Port), the Lead Agency preparing this Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIR), the scope and content of the Final SEIR, and the public outreach for the Proposed Project. Chapter 2, "Response to Comments", presents information regarding the distribution of and comments on the Draft SEIR, and responses of the lead agency. Chapter 3 presents changes made to the Recirculated Draft SEIR.

#### 1.2 CEQA Review Process

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) was enacted by the California Legislature in 1970 and requires public agency decision makers to consider the environmental effects of their actions. When a state or local agency determines that a project has the potential for significantly adverse environmental effects after mitigation, an EIR is required to be prepared. The purpose of an EIR is to identify potentially significant adverse effects of a project on the environment and to indicate the manner in which those significant effects can be mitigated or avoided.

In accordance with CEQA Guidelines §15121(a), the purpose of an EIR is to serve as an informational document that: "will inform public agency decision-makers and the public generally of the significant environmental effect of a project, identify possible ways to minimize the significant effects, and describe reasonable alternatives to the project." The Proposed Project requires discretionary approval from the LAHD and, therefore, it is subject to the requirements of CEQA.

In 1996, LAHD certified an EIR for the Hugo Neu-Proler Lease Renewal Project (SCH No. 93071074) (1996 Certified EIR). The primary objective of the 1996 Certified EIR was a permit renewal extending operations through 2024. In addition to the renewal of the permit and continuation of the then existing current operations, the project objectives included remediation of soil and groundwater contamination at the project site, as well as new, upgraded or replacement of on-site facilities and equipment. The project approved in the 1996 Certified EIR contemplated a maximum operation of up to 1.3 million gross tons of throughput.

In 2019, SA Recycling LLC (Applicant) submitted Application for Port Permit (APP) 190916-128 to the Harbor Department expressing interest to extend the existing Permit 750. In 2021, an addendum assessing an extension to the Permit was prepared by the Applicant and released for public review from August 12 to October 12, 2021. Comments received from regulatory agencies and community stakeholders requested the LAHD evaluate the Proposed Project through a more robust analysis, such as an EIR. After considering the comments and evidence received in support of those comments, the LAHD decided not to adopt the addendum and decided to conduct further environmental analysis as part of an SEIR. It was also determined that the Proposed Project would not affect any federal permits or require any federal approvals. Therefore, no National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) evaluation was required.

#### 1.3 Intended Use of the Final Subsequent Environmental Impact Report Document

This Final SEIR for the Proposed Project has been prepared in accordance with CEQA of 1970, as amended. The LAHD is the local lead agency for the Project, and has prepared this Final SEIR. This Final SEIR is an informational document that will inform public agency decision-makers and the general public of the significant environmental effects of the Proposed Project and will recommend ways to minimize the significant effects. The document fulfills the requirements of CEQA (California Public Resources Code [PRC] 21000 et seq.), the State CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations [CCR] 15000 et seq.). This Final SEIR will support the permitting process of all agencies, including the Los Angeles Board of Harbor Commissioners (Board), whose discretionary approvals must be obtained for particular elements of this Project.

#### 1.4 Notice of Preparation and Scoping Process

#### 1.4.1 Initial Study Environmental Checklist/Notice of Preparation

As the CEQA lead agency, LAHD was responsible for determining the scope and content of the Draft SEIR, a process referred to as scoping. As part of the scoping process, LAHD considered the environmental resources present within its jurisdiction and the surrounding area and identified the probable environmental effects of the Proposed Project by preparing an Initial Study Environmental Checklist and a Notice of Preparation (IS/NOP). The IS/NOP evaluated amending Permit No. 750 to extend operations beyond 2024 to allow another 10 years of operations. The IS explained the basis for scoping out the environmental resources that would warrant additional consideration in the Draft SEIR and the provided the basis for the environmental resources that were excluded from further environmental consideration.

On March 30, 2023, the LAHD issued the (IS/NOP) to inform responsible and trustee agencies, public agencies, and the public that the LAHD was preparing a Draft SEIR to subsequently update the 1996 Certified EIR. The IS/NOP was circulated for a 30-day public review and comment period starting on March 30, 2023 and ending on April 28, 2023, and a virtual scoping meeting was held on April 11, 2023. Comments received in response to the IS/NOP and during the public scoping meeting were used to inform the scope of this Draft SEIR. Based on LAHD's evaluation of the probable effects of the Proposed Project and a thorough review of the comments on the IS/NOP, the Draft SEIR analyzed effects associated with the following resources:

- Air Quality and Meteorology
- Cultural Resources
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Hazards
- Hydrology and Water Quality

Consistent with the findings of the 1996 Certified EIR, it was determined during preparation of the IS/NOP that the Proposed Project would have either a less-than-significant impact or no impact associated with the following resources: Aesthetics, Agriculture and Forestry Resources, Biological Resources, Land Use and Planning, Mineral Resources, Population and Housing, Public Services, Recreation, Tribal Cultural Resources, Utilities and Service Systems and Wildfire.

#### 1.4.2 Draft SEIR and Public Review

The Draft SEIR was released for public review on January 4, 2024 for a 48-day comment period. A virtual public meeting was held on January 17, 2024, and the comment period ended on February 19, 2024. The LAHD received 29 comment letters and 34 comments through the public meeting transcript on the Draft SEIR during the public review period.

#### 1.4.3 Final SEIR and Certification

This Final SEIR has been provided to the public for review, comment, and participation in the planning process. This Final SEIR is being distributed to provide the basis for decision making by the CEQA lead agency and other concerned agencies. Certification of the SEIR for the Proposed Project must precede Project approval. Project approval requires that the Board review and consider the SEIR; adopt Findings of Fact on the environmental effects of the Proposed Project and the feasibility of mitigation measures; approve the Project analyzed in the SEIR; and adopt an mitigation and monitoring reporting plan (MMRP).

#### 1.5 Project Background

The Proposed Project site consists of approximately 26.7 acres of waterfront and backland property at Berths 210 and 211 on Terminal Island at Port of Los Angeles (POLA or Port). Prior to 1962, the Proposed Project site was used for constructing and dismantling ships. In 1962, Hugo Neu-Proler Company began operating a scrap-metal recycling site. In 1996, POLA approved Permit No. 750 with the Hugo Neu-Proler Company along with the 1996 Certified EIR. Sims Group Ltd acquired substantially all of the recycling operations of Hugo Neu-Proler on October 31, 2005. In December 2005, the new company applied for a subsidiary name change to Sims Hugo Neu West. On September 1, 2007, the Sims Group and Adams Steel formed a joint venture creating SA Recycling LLC. SA Recycling has continued operating a scrap metal recycling site at the Proposed Project site under Permit No. 750. On August 7, 2010, POLA approved an assignment of Permit No. 750 from Sims Hugo Neu West to SA Recycling LLC (Order 69250).

#### 1.5.1 Previous Environmental Documentation

This section presents a more detailed description of the previous environmental documents that pertain to the Proposed Project.

#### Hugo Neu-Proler Lease Renewal Project EIR, 1996

In 1996, LAHD certified an EIR for the Hugo Neu-Proler Lease Renewal Project (SCH No. 93071074) (1996 Certified EIR). The primary objective of the 1996 Certified EIR was a permit renewal extending operations through 2024. In addition to the renewal of the permit and continuation of the then existing current operations, the project objectives included remediation of soil and groundwater contamination at the Project site, as well as new, upgraded or replacement of on-site facilities and equipment. The project approved in the 1996 Certified EIR contemplated a maximum operation of up to 1.3 million gross tons of throughput and included the following components:

New facilities and equipment:

- 1. Rail trackage and associated structures to allow reintroduction of rail service to the site.
- 2. Landscaped, 4,000-square-foot, single-story office building and parking area at the south end of the site.
- 3. Fully covered the scrap processing, handling, and storage area with asphalt or concrete.
- 4. Additional lighting in storage, loading, and parking areas.
- 5. Stormwater runoff control and treatment system.
- 6. Noise barriers at strategic locations, as required.
- 7. Perimeter wall around the site to improve aesthetics
- 8. Bin walls around scrap handling area to help control scrap piles.
- 9. Auto shredder residue storage facility.

The upgrades or replacements:

- 1. Upgraded the bulk ship-loading structure, used to load scrap into ships, to increase its loading rate.
- 2. Changed water recirculation system and feed system to the non-ferrous metal recovery equipment.
- 3. Improved the ferrous and non-ferrous metals storage and handling equipment.
- 4. Replaced the diesel fuel storage tank and provided new dispensing equipment.
- 5. Replaced the underground gasoline storage tanks with new aboveground gasoline storage tank and provided new dispensing equipment.
- 6. Added a new scale to the existing scale system to accommodate rail service.
- 7. Converted office building into a changing room, shower room, and conference rooms.
- 8. Replaced a dockside gantry crane, used to load ships, with a larger duty cycle dockside diesel hybrid electric crane.

The project approved in 1996 after completion of the 1996 Certified EIR included remediating soil and groundwater contamination on site; reducing the opportunities for future contamination; improving aesthetics of the site; controlling noise; reducing dust emissions, managing stormwater runoff; and improving efficiency, capacity, reliability, and general environmental compatibility of the operation. As noted above, with the planned new facilities and equipment modifications, the projected throughput of the site under the 1996 approved project (Approved Project) was 1,300,000 gross tons of scrap per year.

The 1996 Certified EIR determined that most potential impacts generated by the previously Approved Project were less than significant prior to mitigation or were reduced to a less than significant level with mitigation. The 1996 Certified EIR also found the following environmental impacts would be significant and unavoidable despite implementation of the identified mitigation and a Statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted:

- Air Quality (nitrogen oxides [NOx] and nitrogen dioxide [NO2] and volatile organic compound [VOC] emissions during construction)
- Air Quality (NOx, VOC, and carbon monoxide [CO] emissions during operation)
- Geology (ground shaking)

LAHD also adopted the MMRP containing 19 mitigation measures to address these impacts, both during construction and operation of the 1996 lease renewal project.

#### Crane Replacement and Electrification Project Initial Study/Negative Declaration, 2016

In 2016, an Initial Study/Negative Declaration was prepared and approved for the crane replacement and electrification project (SCH 2016021009). SA Recycling replaced an older diesel mobile crane with a new diesel electric hybrid crane.

#### Previously Proposed Addendum to the Hugo Neu-Proler Lease Renewal Project EIR, 2019

In 2019, the Applicant submitted an Application for Port Permit (APP) 190916-128 to the Harbor Department expressing interest to extend the existing Permit 750. In 2021, an addendum assessing an extension to the Permit was prepared by the Applicant and released for public review from August 12 to October 12, 2021. Comments received from regulatory agencies and community stakeholders requested the LAHD evaluate the Proposed Project through a more robust analysis, such as an EIR. After considering the comments and evidence received in support of those comments, the LAHD

decided not to adopt the addendum and decided to conduct further environmental analysis as part of an SEIR. It was also determined that the Proposed Project would not affect any federal permits or require any federal approvals. Therefore, no NEPA evaluation was required.

#### 1.6 Project Purpose, Need, and Objectives

#### 1.6.1 Purpose and Need

The Proposed Project seeks an amendment to Permit No. 750 to allow for an up to 10-year extension of existing operations, with up to 5 additional years for use of the site as a non-operational restoration period for any necessary closure and remediation activities to restore the property. The extension is for continued operation of the site as a scrap metal recycling facility with no changes to the scope of the permit or use of the Proposed Project site. No new construction or operations are proposed, other than routine maintenance or replacement of equipment. The up to an additional 5-year extension will be provided to allow for closure and restoration of the property.

#### 1.6.2 Project Objectives

The Proposed Project would address the project objectives, as summarized below:

- Extending the Applicant's existing Permit to remain effective for a period of up to 10 years to allow continued operation and up to an additional 5 years to close, remediate, and restore the property.
- Maintain the use of an existing permitted metal recycling site for 10 years to provide longterm scrap metal reclamation and recycling capacity consistent with applicable local and state regulatory requirements.
- Utilize an existing permitted metal recycling site to continue providing economical, efficient and safe metal recycling and bulk export by vessel in the Southern California region to meet current and future anticipated demands.
- Allow for ongoing metal recycling activities while ensuring the protection of health, safety and the environment.
- Ensure restoration of the Project site consistent with foreseeable future requirements, including by removing the structures and installations from the SA Recycling premises in accordance site closure and remediation work plans, as required by the LAHD and trustee/responsible agencies.
- Prevent the release or threatened release of hazardous substances from uses on the Project site.

#### 1.7 Project Location and Setting

#### 1.7.1 Regional Setting

The Proposed Project is within POLA, which is in the San Pedro Bay in the City of Los Angeles in Los Angeles County, approximately 20 miles south of downtown Los Angeles. The Port is on the southern side of the City of Los Angeles and adjacent to the communities of San Pedro to the west, Wilmington to the north, the Port of Long Beach to the east, and the Pacific Ocean to the south. In total, the Port encompasses approximately 7,300 acres of land and water along 43 miles of waterfront. The Proposed Project site is shown in Figures 1-1, Regional Location and Figure 1-2, Local Vicinity.

#### 1.7.2 Surrounding and Nearby Land Use

The Proposed Project site is located at Berths 210 and 211 at the POLA at 901 New Dock Street on Terminal Island. The site is bounded by a channel within POLA to the north, shipping container terminals to the east and west, and New Dock Street and railroad right-of-way to the south (see Figure 1-1).

The Proposed Project site is approximately 0.25 miles north of State Route 47 (Seaside Freeway), about 2 miles east of Interstate 110, and approximately 1.3 miles west of Interstate 710 (segment on Terminal Island) (see Figure 1-2). Vehicle access to the Proposed Project site is provided from New Dock Street and Pier S. Avenue. Regional vehicular access is provided from State Route 47, Interstate 710, Interstate 110, and State Route 103. Marine vessels access the Proposed Project site via channels in POLA. A railway along New Dock Street provides rail access to the Proposed Project site.

#### 1.7.3 Existing Land Use and Zoning

The Proposed Project site is within an area covered by the Port Master Plan (PMP) (LAHD 2018). The PMP establishes policies and guidelines to direct future development of the Port. The original plan became effective in April 1980, after it was approved by the Board and certified by the California Coastal Commission. The PMP includes five planning areas. The Proposed Project site and the surrounding uses are in Planning Area 3, Terminal Island (LAHD 2018). Planning Area 3, the largest planning area, consists of all POLA property on Terminal Island with the exception of Fish Harbor and includes six of LAHD's nine container terminals.

The Proposed Project site has a PMP mixed land use designation of both Container and Dry Bulk. To the east of the Proposed Project site, properties have mixed land use designations of Container, Dry Bulk, and Breakbulk. To the south and west of the Proposed Project site, properties have a land use type of Container.

The City's Zoning Information and Map Access System (ZIMAS) (City of Los Angeles 2022) shows that the Proposed Project site, which includes Accessor Parcel Number 7440013907, 7440012902, 7440012902, 7440021914 and 7440029097, and surrounding properties are zoned Qualified Heavy Industrial with Height District 1 ([Q]M3-1) and have a General Plan Land Use designation of General/Bulk Cargo (Non-Hazardous Industrial and Commercial). Height District 1 does not provide a height limit for manufacturing designations but restricts floor area ratios to 1.5 to 1.

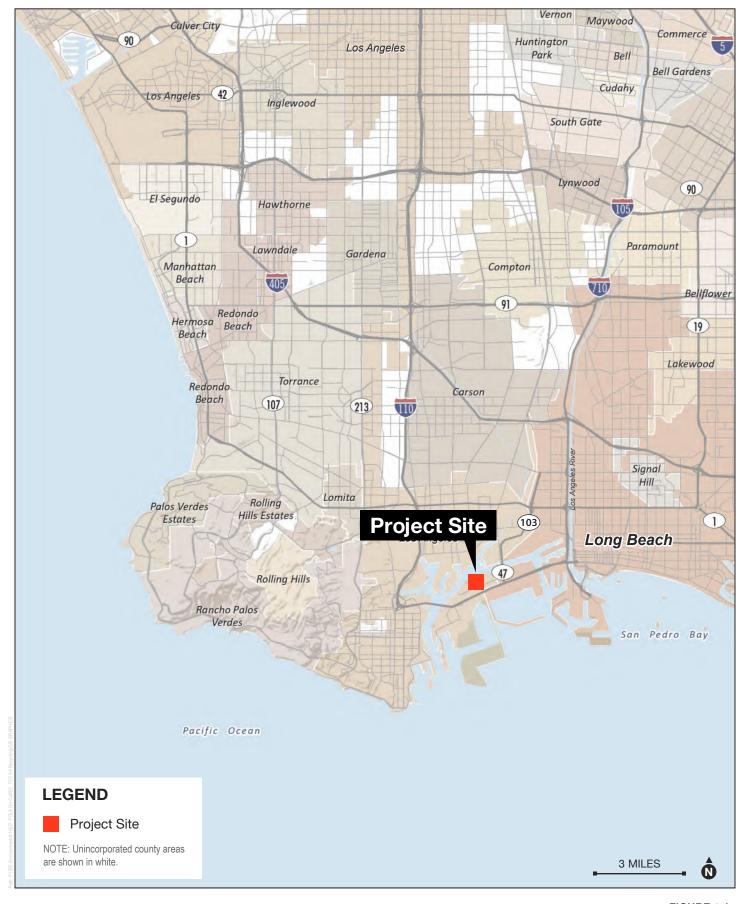


FIGURE 1-1



FIGURE 1-2

#### 1.7.4 Project Site

Since 1962, operations on the Proposed Project site have involved scrap-metal recycling. The Applicant took over operations at the Proposed Project site in 2007. Currently, SA Recycling operates a scrap metal recycling site on the Proposed Project site under POLA Permit No. 750. Recyclable metal is transported to the Proposed Project site via truck and rail line where it is sorted, shredded or sheared, stockpiled, and eventually exported to overseas markets via bulk ships. Ferrous metals are exported via bulk ships overseas and non-ferrous metals are transported via container trucks to other Port terminals. See below for a more detailed discussion of the current operations. The long-term permit was renewed following the certification of the 1996 Certified EIR. The types of operations that are ongoing at the site today, although tonnage has varied, are similar to the types of operations when Permit No. 750 was approved in 1996, except for the subsequent improvements to operations and the environmental footprint of the site, including:

- Enclosing the downstream metal separation processing equipment.
- Installation of "best available control technology (BACT)" Air Pollution Control (APC) devices
  consisting of particulate and moisture filters, a regenerative thermal oxidizer (RTO), and a
  scrubber.
- Replacement of a diesel-powered crane with a diesel electric hybrid crane for loading the deepwater ships.
- Replacement of older equipment with Tier 4 equipment meeting current emissions standards.

#### 1.7.5 Current Operations

The Proposed Project site is a full-service metal recycling and processing operation. The Proposed Project site is approximately 26.7 acres (see Figure 1-3, Aerial Photograph, and Figure 1-4, Dust Control and Noise Suppression Site Plan). Currently, nearly 100% of the site is paved. Only a small, landscaped area by the office at the site entrance is unpaved.

The Project site currently consists of an Office Building, Warehouse, Maintenance Shop, Motor Room, Shear Room, Shaker/Plate rooms, and two Covered Secondary Containment areas. The buildings are occupied by approximately 130 employees.

The site accepts all types of scrap metal, including ferrous metal, non-ferrous metal, end-of-life vehicles, domestic appliances, demolition scrap (plate and structural beams), busheling (brand-new manufacturing scrap), and other recycled metals.

The site prohibits the following items: asbestos, radioactive materials or closed containers, propane tanks, ammunition shells and other explosive ordnance. Any prohibited items found in loads are either returned to the customer or set aside for proper management/disposal.

The recycling services provided at the facility include manufacturing scrap services, appliance recycling, automobile recycling, certified destruction, and demolition scrap. The finished grade of scrap metal is furnace ready (ready to be melted down).

The site primarily receives scrap metal from southern California via heavy duty trucks (maximum gross vehicle weight of 80,000 pounds). Approximately 280 haul trucks visit the site per day from the Southern California region. Most truck trips average 25 to 30 miles. The trucks que on the driveway while waiting to enter the site. The waiting time to enter averages 5 minutes; however, the truck drivers entering the site must comply with the Airborne Toxic Control Measure set forth in Title 13, California Code of Regulations (CCR), Section 2485, that requires drivers of diesel-fueled

commercial motor vehicles weighing over 10,000 pounds to not idle the vehicle's primary diesel engine longer than 5 minutes at any location.

A small portion of shredded scrap metal also arrives via rail car from SA Recycling facilities in the western United States. The site receives approximately three rail cars per day.

The scrap metal is processed depending on the size and type of material involved. Heavier materials like plate and structural steels and pipe are sent to the hydraulic shears (mobile and stationary) where the material is sheared into smaller uniform lengths of less than 5 feet. The site also receives finished grades of scrap metal such as busheling and heavy melt steel, that are simply put into stockpiles to await the next ship (see Figure 1-4).

Materials such as flattened automobiles and appliances and other lighter materials are sent to the state-of-the-art mega electric/hydraulic shredder that shreds large volumes of metal in just seconds. Shredded material is separated into magnetic materials (ferrous steel) and non-magnetic materials (non-ferrous metals, copper, aluminum, and stainless steel) using drum magnets to recover magnetic materials and a non-ferrous metal recovery plant utilizing eddy-current magnetic sorting system along with other technologies to recover non-magnetic metallic materials. Materials are then moved to storage areas via conveyor belt or diesel-fueled mobile equipment where they are stockpiled for transport. The shredder is equipped with an APC system that filters particulates, oils, and moisture, an RTO powered by natural gas destroys VOCs and chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) and a chemical scrubber that neutralizes residual acid gases. The shredder is primarily run at night due to the power demand constraints.

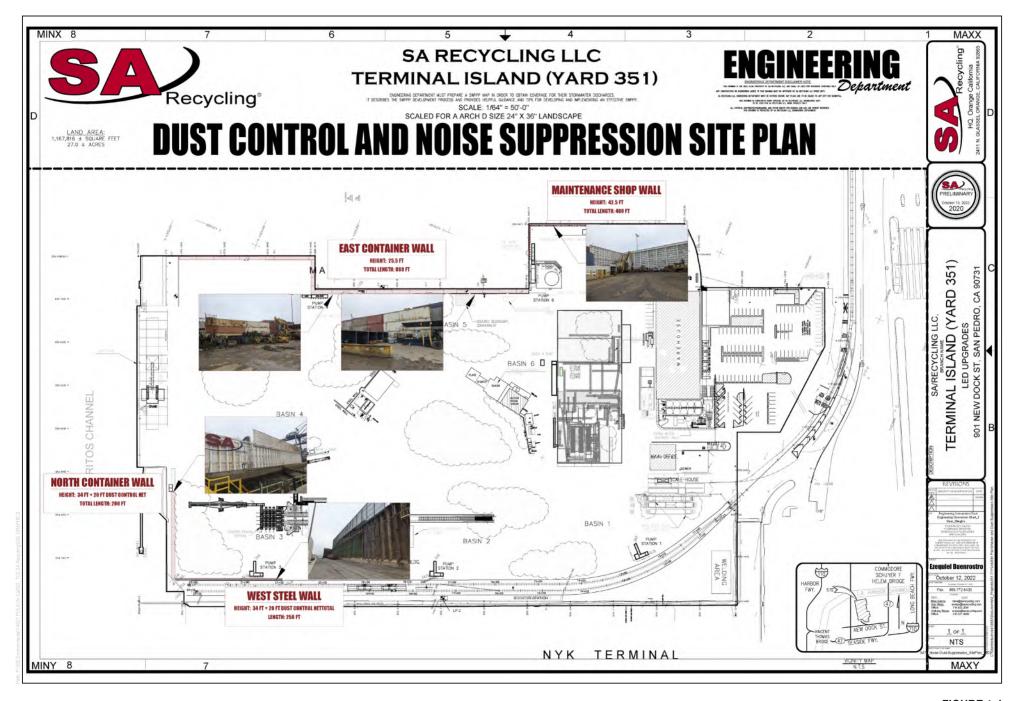
Materials that are too big for the shredder (such as buses, containers, and trucks) are first sheared or cut via a mobile shear and then shredded. Most vehicles arrive at the yard flattened and processed such that materials that require special handling have already been removed (drained of fluids, batteries removed, etc.). A small number of whole (non-flat) buses and trucks that arrive at the yard may be pre-processed on site. Each waste stream from this process is handled separately as hazardous waste or recyclable material and properly managed for off-site disposal.

The majority of processed materials (approximately 100,000 tons per month) are loaded onto 40,000 to 45,000 metric ton (MT) bulk ships that dock at Berths 210 and 211 and then sailed to ports primarily in Southeast Asia. The rest of the processed materials (primarily non-ferrous metals) are loaded into containers, which are transported via truck to a Port terminal for loading onto container vessels. Scrap materials are loaded onto the ships via diesel mobile equipment (2 to 3 dump trucks), and a diesel electric hybrid crane (operated in electric mode only). The ships are guided into the berths via tugboats and are usually at berth for 3 to 4 days while the vessel is being loaded.

Approximately 72% of the shredder feedstock is ferrous steel and 6% is recovered as non-ferrous metals (the remaining 22% is Metal Shredder Residue [MSR] consisting of plastics, upholstery, foam, rubber, glass, etc.). Following recovery of valuable copper, aluminum and non-ferrous metals, the waste is stabilized on site with phosphate/silicate liquid chemistry with a proprietary cement blend. This creates a stabilized mix that is transported to a landfill for use as alternative daily cover.



FIGURE 1-3





#### 1.7.6 Regulatory Agency Permits

#### **Air Quality**

SA Recycling is under the jurisdiction of the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD). Air permits issued by the SCAQMD include "permits to operate" for the shredder (G62700), the metals recovery plant (G63649), the shredder APC system (G70037), and the shear (G70628). Since SA Recycling acquired the Terminal Island site, they have continually added and upgraded the APC equipment, which substantially reduces potential emissions. The SCAQMD APC permit requires that the RTO VOC destruction efficiency exceed 95%. The APC consists of the following:

- A dust and mist collection system (TAME unit) that filters particulates, oils, and moisture.
- RTO, powered by natural gas, that destroys VOCs and CFCs via thermal oxidation.
- A chemical scrubber that neutralizes residual acids in the gas stream.

In addition to the APC, the site employs the following measures to control emissions:

- Non-ferrous aggregate materials are placed in containment buildings.
- Water is routinely applied to shredder feedstock.
- A vacuum sweeper truck is used to clean yard entrances and driveways.
- Water is applied to the yard, haul roads, and material piles.

The shredder and the APC are typically operated from Monday through Fridays from 8:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m. (these hours are the non-peak hours when electricity rates from Los Angeles Department of Water and Power [DWP] are not at their peak levels as DWP disincentivizes the use of industrial equipment during such peak use hours which are normally mid- to late-afternoons). On occasion the Applicant may use the shredder from 3:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. on Saturdays or load a ship on Sundays. The operational schedule is not substantially different in the summer versus the winter as the hours are determined primarily by the DWP rates and product volume that is available for processing.

#### **Dust Control Measures**

In order to control dust within the SA Recycling site, every dump truck load that is fed into the shredder is wetted with approximately 100 gallons of recycled water. A water truck with an 8,000 gallon capacity traverses the yard wetting the site. The water truck is refilled approximately 15 times per day with recycled water from the water reclamation treatment on site. The shredding facility uses multiple sprinklers for dust control of approximately 40,000 gallons of water per day of operations. The shredder operates a water injection that uses an average of 35,000 gallons of recycled water and fresh water for dust and temperature control. In addition, every load/swing that goes on the ship is wetted with a water cannon of approximately 60 gallons of fresh water. The site averages approximately 800 swings per vessel; thus, 50,000 gallons of fresh water is required per vessel.

#### **Surface Water Quality**

SA Recycling is under the jurisdiction of the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (LARWQCB). Stormwater discharges from SA Recycling Terminal Island are permitted under the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) General Permit to Discharge Storm Water Associated with Industrial Activity (General Permit No. CASO00001), adopted by the LARWQCB on April 1, 2014, Order No. 2014-0057-DWQ as amended in 2015 and 2018. The Waste Discharger Identification number is "419I021125."

Nearly 100% of the Proposed Project site is paved with an impervious cap, except for small, landscaped areas by the office building. The cap undergoes inspections on a regular basis and any signs of degradation or cracks are repaired, as needed. The site is designed to capture all stormwater and dust control water from the yard for reuse on site. In rare instances, when stormwater cannot be contained for use on site, it is chemically treated and discharged to either of two storm drains, one near the site entrance and one on adjacent LAHD property. Both drains connect to the Cerritos Channel.

Stormwater is collected in underground basins throughout the site, with a total capacity of approximately 90,000 gallons. There are also 10 aboveground storage tanks on site that each have 42,000 gallon capacity. SA Recycling employs a multi-stage chemical treatment process to mitigate possible stormwater pollution. This process 1) effectively reduces the concentrations of contaminants of concern, 2) does not rely on significant changes in pH or other basic parameters, and 3) is consistent with the Best Available Technology Economically Achievable (BAT)/BACT mandate established in the General Permit. All stormwater exposed to industrial activity (i.e., receiving, shredding, depollution, dismantling, welding, torch-cutting, materials storage and recovery) is captured and reused, or treated prior to discharge.

#### Soil and Groundwater Quality

On August 26, 1988, a release of diesel fuel was reported for the Proposed Project site that resulted in a free phase hydrocarbon plume on the surface of the water table in the vicinity of the warehouse. Several investigations of subsurface soil and groundwater were conducted from 1990 to 1994 under the oversight of the LARWOCB to assess the environmental impact from vadose zone soils, which were determined to be impacted by petroleum hydrocarbons, metals, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons. Low level detections of methyl tert-butyl ether and tert-butyl alcohol were present but were attributed to an unknown off-site source (Mittelhauser Corp. 1994). The LARWQCB required Hugo Neu-Proler to add an engineered concrete cap to all of the property and to conduct semiannual groundwater monitoring as part of the remediation plans for soil and groundwater contamination. The concrete cap was designed to prevent soil or groundwater contamination from ongoing site activities. The LARWOCB's minimum requirements for the concrete cap are 6 inches of concrete pavement over a minimum of 8 inches of base rock or other base material. A baseline risk assessment was completed in January 1995, and the results were used to develop industrial soil cleanup levels for the Proposed Project site. In accordance with the requirements of the LARWQCB's Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) Order No. 96-020 (File No. 90-47), issued on April 1, 1996, several requirements were established related to soil remediation activities and groundwater monitoring, in accordance with a Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) (File No. 7656). Remediation and free product removal associated with the underground storage tank (UST) release was continued under LARWQCB oversight separate from the WDR and associated MRP. Although on-site fixation and burial of the fixated material was approved, Hugo Neu-Proler elected to transport all excavated material off site for disposal during remediation activities. From 1999 to 2002, soils impacted above the 1996 WDR cleanup levels were excavated, and soil confirmation sampling was completed with the oversight of LAHD and LARWQCB.

Approximately 80,000 cubic yards of soil were excavated and transported off site for legal disposal. Concurrent with the excavation and sampling procedures, once an area met established cleanup levels, it was backfilled, graded, and capped with concrete. Based on this change in the site remediation program, SA Recycling requested the LARWQCB to rescind the WDR because no fixated soil was discharged to the site. The WDR was terminated on April 7, 2012.

Site activities and analytical results were summarized in quarterly "supplemental remediation progress" reports. These reports were subsequently reviewed by LAHD and the LARWQCB.

Confirmation samples collected from across the site demonstrated that all constituents were significantly below the criteria established in the 1996 WDR.

Semi-annual groundwater sampling has been conducted since 1997. Previously under the WDR and MRP, all accessible site wells were gauged quarterly, and the eight wells listed in the MRP (MW-1, MW-2, MW-4A, MW-5, MW-6, MW-7A, MW-8, and MW-16) were purged and sampled in December and June of each year. Monitoring of the well network was required by the WDR and MRP to evaluate the groundwater in order to further evaluate the free product plume on site. When the WDR and MRP were rescinded in 2012, groundwater monitoring continued in order to monitor the perimeter of the free product plume (discussed below). Free product recovery due to the UST release is ongoing, as is associated groundwater monitoring. This monitoring is conducted under the oversight of the LARWQCB (File No 90-47). Since the WDR was rescinded in 2012, groundwater monitoring was decreased to only monitor total petroleum hydrocarbons in the gasoline, diesel, and motor oil ranges and VOCs, and only around the perimeter of the free product plume. The modified groundwater monitoring program also include semi-annual gauging of 15 wells (MW-1, MW-2, MW-5, MW-9, MW-12 through MW-18, B-1, B-2, B-13, and RW-1) and decreased the number of groundwater monitoring wells to be sampled from eight to five (MW-1, MW-2, MW-12, MW-16, and MW-18). The modified groundwater monitoring program began in June 2012. As requested by LARWOCB, a conceptual site model was prepared to estimate the light non-aqueous phase liquid (LNAPL) profile across the site. Initially, the hydrocarbon plume volume was estimated to range between 2.900 and 5.100 gallons of product covering approximately 13,500 square feet; by 2015 the estimated volume was 1,994 gallons covering approximately 9,000 square feet. Free product is removed from the site wells using a combination of passive skimmers, hand bailing, and absorbent socks. SA Recycling records LNAPL thicknesses on a weekly basis and summarizes the free product recovery volume in quarterly progress reports to the LARWQCB.

#### **Waste and Hazardous Waste**

SA Recycling receives many types of scrap metal—automobiles, consumer and industrial appliances, manufacturing scrap, demolition scrap, consumer/homeowner scrap, etc. All scrap metal brought to the site is screened by radiation detectors before being offloaded. Scrap metal is sorted, shredded or sheared, then stockpiled and loaded onto ships for transport to overseas markets. The site reported a total input tonnage to the shredder of 454,500 metric tons in fiscal year 2021/2022. The scrap metal going into the shredder consisted of 42% automobiles, 43% appliances, and 14% miscellaneous. The site has an average of 100,000 tons of ferrous and non-ferrous scrap metal on site at any given time (SA Recycling 2015).

All materials received at the site meet the definition of "scrap metal" under Title 22, CCR, Section 66260.10. Scrap metal is specifically excluded from regulation as waste.

The process of separating the metal components from the shredded scrap metal generates a nonmetal residue that is generically called Metal Shredder Residue (MSR). MSRs are chemically fixated such that they do not have soluble concentrations of contaminants of concern (chemically treated MSR or CTMSR). In the late 1980s, the Department of Health (predecessor of the DTSC) determined that the metal treatment fixation process of metal shredder waste (i.e., CTMSR) was capable of lowering soluble concentrations of contaminants of concern in metal shredder residue such that the waste was rendered insignificant as a hazard to human health and safety, livestock, and wildlife. Seven facilities applied for and were granted nonhazardous waste classification letters

by the Department of Health (and later DTSC), so long as they continued to use fixation technologies for metal shredder residue. The authority was issued under CCR Title 22 Section 66260.200(f), and the authorization is known as an (f) letter. Metal shredding activities at the site are covered under an (f) letter authorization, which was issued to Hugo Neu-Proler and transferred to SA Recycling when they took over operations in 2007. The CTMSR is disposed of or used as daily cover at Class III Landfills as nonhazardous waste.

The following industrial materials are listed in the site Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan.

- Ferrous and non-ferrous scrap metal
- Diesel fuel
- Gasoline fuel
- Hydraulic oil
- Waste oil
- Non-RCRA hazardous waste (oily absorbent, anti-freeze, etc.
- Lead-acid batteries
- polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) capacitors
- PCB ballasts
- Alkaline batteries
- Waste coolant
- Lubricating oil
- Spent dust collector filters
- Sodium hydroxide (25%)

Materials managed for off-site removal by recycling or waste disposal by SAR are:

- Unleaded gasoline and diesel fuel;
- Used anti-freeze and used oil;
- Sweepings;
- Stormwater sediment;
- Sodium hydroxide solids;
- Oily water;
- Oily absorbent/debris/dirt;
- Spent Air Pollution Control System Filters;
- Treated MSR;
- Waste oil:
- Lead-acid batteries:
- PCB capacitors;
- PCB ballasts; and
- Alkaline batteries

The Applicant and DTSC entered into a Consent Order, Docket No. HWCA 20187418, issued on December 12, 2023. The Consent Order alleges violations to the Health and Safety Code observed at the project site by DTSC. Alleged violations were documented both on- and off-site. Compliance requirements are outlined in the Consent Order, which include already implemented corrective actions and future corrective actions related to all alleged violations. Alleged offsite violations have been addressed by investigation and cleanup/removal of offsite CTMSR. Continuing evaluation and cleanup of any offsite releases will occur as described in plans prepared and submitted to DTSC. The Applicant has come into compliance with some of the alleged violations, and has agreed to come into compliance with all alleged violations and provide DTSC with evidence of changes within the schedule outlined in the Consent Order.

#### 1.7.7 CEQA Baseline

CEQA provides for an SEIR to assess the significance of a project's impacts in comparison to a baseline that consists of the existing physical environment conditions at and near the Project site. Baseline conditions are normally measured at the time of the commencement of environmental review of the Proposed Project. State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15125, subdivision (a), provides:

An EIR must include a description of the physical environmental conditions in the vicinity of the project, as they exist at the time of the notice of preparation is published, or if no notice of preparation is published, at the time environmental analysis is commenced, from both a local and regional perspective. This environmental setting will normally constitute the baseline physical conditions by which a lead agency determine whether an impact is significant.

Courts have recognized that there may be instances in which conditions existing at the time of the NOP do not accurately represent existing conditions. The courts have reasoned that by using the qualifying term "normally," the Guidelines recognize that in appropriate situations a lead agency has discretion in representing the baseline.

Table 1-1 shows a comparison of the 1996 Certified EIR assumption for the Proposed Project operation versus the existing operations in Fiscal Year 2021/2022. This table is included to reflect the conservative nature of the SEIR's baseline assumptions to reflect the throughput volumes that were subject to substantiation leading up to preparation and release of the NOP, as opposed to the maximum tonnage referenced in the 1996 Certified EIR. Operations under the Proposed Project are anticipated to continue to be at the baseline Fiscal Year 2021/2022 level.

Throughput volumes in 2018 and 2019 were approximately 840,000 gross tons. In 2020, throughput volumes increased to approximately 1 million gross tons, and in FY 21/22 throughput volumes were approximately of 1.2 million gross tons.

	1996 Approved Project <sup>1</sup>	Fiscal Year 21/22 Operations <sup>2</sup>
Gross Annual Throughput	1.3 million gross tons	1.2 million gross tons
Daily Transactions (or Deliveries)	300	280
Employees	164	140
Daily Employee Trips (inbound and outbound)	328	280
Daily Deliveries by Truck/Service/Vendors	15	15
Rail Cars Delivered per Day (for recycling)	13	3
Vessel Calls per Year	41	28
Other Truck Trips (ex. Non-Ferrous Containers)	3-4	3-4

#### Sources:

- Section 1.5.2, Proposed Changes to Processing Units and Facilities, Certified EIR, 1996.
- <sup>2</sup> SA Recycling, pers. comm. 2022

Therefore, for purposes of this Final SEIR, conditions that occurred from July 1st, 2021, through June 30th, 2022 (FY 21/22) are considered to be the baseline throughput for evaluation in the SEIR and FY 21/22 throughput levels are anticipated to be maintained during the 10-year extension of existing operations (to 2034).

#### 1.8 Proposed Project Elements

The Proposed Project seeks an amendment to Permit No. 750 to allow for an up to 10-year extension, to the current Permit, which currently expires in 2024. The term extension will allow continued operation of the site as a scrap metal recycling facility with no changes to the scope of the Permit, use of the Proposed Project site, or new construction or operations, other than routine maintenance or replacement of equipment. Operations at the site would conclude at the end of year 10 pursuant to the terms of the Permit. Up to an additional 5-years will be granted to allow for any required removal of equipment, demolition of the existing landside structures on the project site, any necessary remediation of the Project site to the satisfy LAHD and regulatory requirements and post remedial activities to restore the premises per the terms of the Permit. No recycling operations outside of those required for restoration of the site will occur during this up to 5-year term.

#### 1.8.1 Project Components

Project activities would be broken down into two phases as follows: (1) Continued Operation for up to 10 years, and (2) Non-operational Restoration Period for up to 5 years.

#### **Phase 1: Continued Operation**

For the first up to 10 years of the permit's extension, the site would continue to be used as a scrap metal recycling facility with no changes to the scope of the permit, use of the Proposed Project site, nor new construction or operations, other than routine maintenance or replacement of equipment. The existing and ongoing monitoring and reporting of groundwater and free product recovery of the 1988 diesel fuel release would continue, and no changes are proposed. The Proposed Project analyzed in 1996 assumed up to 1.3 million gross tons of throughput, 300 transactions (or deliveries) per day and 164 employees. Operations in FY 21/22 were approximately 1.2 million gross tons of throughput, 280 transactions (or deliveries) per day and 140 employees. The site would be open to receive material Monday through Friday from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and on Saturday from 6:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (see Table 1-2). Operations may occur 24 hours a day during operational days. No operational changes or increases from FY 21/22 levels are proposed for the 10 years of continued operation.

**Table 1-2. SA Recycling Operations** 

Site Schedule	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Site Materials received	6:00 a.m 6:00 p.m.	11:00 a.m 3:00 p.m.	Closed				
Shredder Operation	8:00 p.m 3:00 a.m.	Occasional*	Occasional*				

#### Note:

#### Phase 2: Non-operational Restoration Period

The following wind down activities would occur during the Non-operational Restoration Period, which could last for up to 5 years:

#### Subphase 2.1: Truck Scales Closure

The truck scales would close and no additional material would be received by the facility.

#### Subphase 2.2: Demolition/Dismantling of Structures/Buildings

<sup>\*</sup> On occasions the shredder runs from 3:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. on Saturdays or on rare occasions for ship loading on Sundays.

Dismantling of the facility structures would be performed in sequential order. Table 1-3 below shows the estimated weight of steel at each structure.

Table 1-3. Weight of Recyclable Steel for Each Department - Metal Scrap Weight

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Department	lbs	Tons
Shredder (APCS included)	2,627,206	1,314
MRP	7,224,817	3,612
Shear	741,000	371
Warehouse	200,000	100
Maintenance Shop	120,000	60
Total	10,913,023	5,457

The timeline for this phase is approximately 120 days based on the amount of material that is present in each structure. The structures would be dismantled by demolition crews utilizing manlifts and mobile cranes. Once the steel is placed on the ground it would be sized down by a mobile shear and stockpiled. Then, a stationary guillotine shear would process the stockpiled steel and prepare the steel for bulk sale. All intermediate handling/movement of the steel would be completed with material handlers equipped with a grapple attachment.

#### Subphase 2.3: Shipping (Bulk Sale)

Recycled metals from the wind down activities would be sold and shipped out through a dry bulk vessel. With an estimated volume of 5,500 tons of scrap metal, the vessel load out would be completed with one vessel call which can be accomplished in one working day notwithstanding equipment or weather delays.

The material (scrap metal) would be transferred from stockpiles to a haul truck by material handlers with a grapple attachment. The haul truck would transfer/dump the material into a skip pan then transfer/load the scrap metal onto a dry bulk vessel by the on-site electric harbor crane. This sequence would repeat until all scrap metal has been loaded on the vessel.

#### Subphase 2.4A-1: Concrete Demolition – Flat Slab Concrete

A flat concrete slab encompasses almost the entirety of the property and consists of 16 inches (average) of fiber reinforced concrete. The slab would be removed using an excavator with a hydraulic concrete breaker attachment. The broken concrete would be stockpiled by a front wheel loader and later processed through a mobile concrete crusher.

The timing of this operation would be optimized to reduce dust and engine emissions. To accomplish this goal, concrete breaking operations would be conducted 5 days per week from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. The concrete would be stockpiled throughout the week and the concrete crusher is anticipated to run only 2 days per week.

Dust control systems and all permits for the concrete crusher would be provided by a local construction company that will be contracted to operate the crusher. A separate water truck will be utilized for dust control during the breaking of the concrete slab. This Subphase would occur over an approximately 90-day period.

#### Subphase 2.4A-2: Concrete Demolition – Foundations

A separate phase would be required for the removal of structural foundations due to the differences entailed in their demolition. Concrete foundations consist of rebar reinforced concrete that requires a different set of equipment and procedures. The concrete would be broken utilizing the same concrete breaker as Subphase 2.4A-1 and the rebar would be separated and cut with the mobile shear as needed. Broken concrete would be stockpiled and processed through the concrete crusher. To accomplish this goal, concrete breaking operations would be conducted 5 days per week from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

This Subphase would occur over an approximately 90-day period. The amount of concrete that would be crushed is estimated based on existing drawings of all structures, foundations, and concrete slab as shown in Table 1-4 below.

 Concrete Structure
 Total Volume (cu-yd)

 Concrete Slab
 48,000

 Foundations
 20,000

 Total (Approx.)
 68,000

Table 1-4. Estimated Total Volume of Concrete to be Removed

#### Subphase 2.4B-1: Soil Removal

Any soil that is categorized as hazardous (contaminated) through testing would be transferred to a landfill licensed to accept hazardous waste. It is estimated that a worse-case scenario of 10,000 yards (20%) of soil would be contaminated, and 40,000 yards (80%) would not be contaminated. Under a worst-case scenario, a total of 1,000 truckloads of contaminated soil would be transported to Kettleman Hills Hazardous Waste Facility, in Kettleman City, California, for disposal. Some of the non-contaminated soil may not be suitable for future reuse on site. If necessary, up to 4,000 truckloads of non-hazardous soil would be transported to Simi Valley Landfill and Recycling Center, in Simi Valley, California. This would be accomplished by utilizing a bulldozer to move the soil to a stockpile where a front wheel loader would transfer it to dump trucks. A water truck would be used for dust control during this phase.

#### Subphase 2.4B-2: Soil Import and Regrading

Replacement soil equal to the amount of soil being removed would be hauled in as space becomes available. All imported soil would meet LAHD's Environmental Guidance for Industrial Fill Material and be approved by LAHD prior to bringing to property. Outbound haul trucks from Phase 2.4B-1 would be loaded with clean fill soil on their return trip to the facility. It is estimated that 80% of the clean soil/fill would be imported in this manner. The soil would be compacted and roughly graded using a motor grader and bulldozer. A water truck would be used for dust control during this phase.

This subphase of 2.4B-1, and 2.4B-2 would last approximately 240 days.

#### Phase 2.4C: Haul Residual Crushed Concrete

Based on the estimated volume of concrete present at the facility (68,000 yd) and assuming that none of the crushed concrete remains on site, 6,800 concrete dump trucks would be sent to a construction and demolition debris (CND) recycling facility. Assuming the concrete is free of any contamination, the final destination of residual crushed concrete would likely be sent to Maitri Road

Recycling located in Corona, California.

This subphase would last approximately 68 days.

#### Phase 2.4D: Haul Suitable Cover to Site

In order to prevent fugitive dust after site wind down, it is estimated that approximately 11,000 cubic yards of suitable ground cover (i.e., gravel, crushed aggregate base, etc.) would be required. This would require approximately 5,100 trucks to bring new material to the site.

This subphase would last approximately 68 days.

#### 1.9 Changes to the Draft SEIR

The Final SEIR discusses changes and modifications that have been made to the Draft SEIR. Actual changes to the text, organized by chapters and sections are presented in Chapter 3, "Modifications to the Draft SEIR," of this Final SEIR.

Changes noted in Chapter 3 are identified by text strikeout and/or underline. The changes and clarifications presented in Chapter 3 were reviewed to determine whether or not they warranted recirculation of the SEIR prior to certification according to CEQA Guidelines and Statutes. The changes would not result in any new significant environmental impacts or a substantial increase in the severity of an existing environmental effect.

Below is a brief summary of key changes made, which are described in more detail in Chapter 3 of this Final SEIR.

Table 1-2, List of Required Discretionary Actions, in Chapter 1 of the Draft SEIR, Introduction, was revised to clarify that when Phase 2 of the Proposed Project occurs and that a Coastal Development Permit and a Harbor Engineers' Permit will need to be issued. Additionally, the need for a Statement of Overriding Considerations to be adopted was removed.

The above changes are consistent with the findings contained in the Draft SEIR. There would be no new or increased significant effects on the environment due to the changes in the Draft SEIR. Therefore, recirculation is not required consistent with Public Resources Code Section 21092.1 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15088.5.

## Chapter 2

## **Response to Comments**

#### 2.1 Distribution of the Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report

The Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) prepared for the Los Angeles Harbor Department (LAHD) was distributed to the public and regulatory agencies on January 4, 2024 for a 48-day review period. Approximately 20 electronic copies of the Draft SEIR were distributed to various government agencies, and approximately 75 hardcopies of the Notice of Availability of the Draft SEIR were mailed to various government agencies, organizations, individuals, and Port tenants. LAHD also conducted a public meeting regarding the Draft SEIR on January 17, 2024, to provide an overview of the proposed Project and to accept public comments on the proposed Project and environmental document.

The Draft SEIR was available for review at the following location:

Los Angeles Harbor Department, 425 South Palos Verdes Street, San Pedro, CA, 90731

Electronic copies of the Draft SEIR were made available. Due to the size of the document, the electronic versions were prepared as a series of PDF files to facilitate downloading and printing. Members of the public were able to request a flashdrive containing the Draft SEIR. The Draft SEIR was available in its entirety on the LAHD website at <a href="https://www.portoflosangeles.org/ceqa">https://www.portoflosangeles.org/ceqa</a>. Electronic copies of the Draft SEIR on flashdrive were also available free of charge to interested parties.

#### 2.2 Comments on the Draft SEIR

The public comment and response component of the CEQA process serves as essential role. It allows the lead agency to assess the impacts of the Project based on the analysis of other responsible, concerned, or adjacent agencies and interested parties, and it provides an opportunity to amplify and better explain the analysis that the lead agency has undertaken to determine the potential new or substantially more severe environmental impacts of the Project. To that extent, responses to comments are intended to provide complete and thorough explanation to commenting agencies, organizations and individuals, and to improve the overall understanding of the Project for the decision-making bodies. The LAHD received 29 comment letters and 34 comments through the public meeting transcript on the Draft SEIR during the public review period. Table 2-1 presents a list of those agencies, organization and individuals who comments on the Draft SEIR.

Table 2-1: Public Comments Received on the Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report

Letter Code	Date	Agency/Organization/Individual	Page
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WCC	January 21, 2024	Wilmington Chamber of Commerce	68

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GVF	February 1, 2024	Grand Vision Foundation	83	
KPF&A	February 1, 2024	KP Fitter and Associates	87	
ILWU13	February 1, 2024	International Longshoreman's and Warehousing Union – Local 13	93	
CCA	February 6, 2024	Central City Association	98	
Gipson/Bradford	February 15, 2024	Assembly Member Gipson and Senator Bradford	103	
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SARPH	January 17, 2024	Draft SEIR Public Hearing Transcript	119	

#### 2.3 Responses to Comments

In accordance with CEQA (Guidelines Section 15088), the LAHD has evaluated the comments on environmental issues received from agencies and other interested parties and have prepared written responses to each comment pertinent to the adequacy of the environmental analyses contained in the Draft SEIR. In implementing specific compliance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15088(b), the written responses address the environmental issues raised. In addition, where appropriate, the basis for incorporating or not incorporating specific suggestions into the proposed Project is provided. In each case, the LAHD has expended a good faith effort, supported by reasoned analysis, to respond to comments. This section includes responses not only to the written comments received during the 48-day public review period of the Draft EIR, but also verbal comments made in the public hearing for the Draft SEIR. None of the comments received prompted substantial revisions to the text of the

Draft SEIR, thus modification to the Draft SEIR are not warranted. A copy of each comment letter is provided, and responses to each comment letter immediately follow.

#### 2.3.1 Responses to Comment Letters

#### 2.3.1.1 State Government

## Comment Letter DTSC Department of Toxic Substances



Yana Garcia
Secretary for
Environmental Protection

## Department of Toxic Substances Control



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#### SENT VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

February 15, 2024

Nicole Enciso

Marine Environmental Supervisor – CEQA

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RE: DRAFT SUBSEQUENT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT HUGO NEU-PROLER LEASE RENEWAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR SA RECYCLING AMENDMENT TO PERMIT NO. 750 PROJECT DATED JANUARY 04, 2024 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER 1993071074

#### Dear Nicole Enciso:

nenciso@portla.org

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) received a Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report to Hugo Neu-Proler Lease Renewal Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750 Project. The Proposed Project seeks an amendment to Permit No. 750 to allow for an up to 10-year extension of existing operations, with up to 5 additional years for use of the site as a nonoperational restoration period for any necessary closure and remediation activities to restore the property.

DTSC-1

DTSC acknowledges that SA Recycling has incorporated DTSC's <u>comment letter</u> dated April 28, 2023 into the Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report and DTSC appreciates ongoing compliance from SA Recycling. On December 12, 2023, DTSC and SA Recycling entered into a Consent Order with corrective action requirements to

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resolve the violations and to satisfy the requirements of a Corrective Action Order issued by DTSC to SA Recycling in 2021. As stated in the Consent Order, SA Recycling shall comply with all compliance requirements.

DTSC-2 contd.

DTSC appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report to Hugo Neu-Proler Lease Renewal EIR for SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750 Project. Thank you for your assistance in protecting California's people and environment from the harmful effects of toxic substances. If you have any questions or would like any clarification on DTSC's comments, please respond to this letter or via <a href="mailto:em

DTSC-3

Sincerely,

Tamara Purvis

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CEQA Unit

Hazardous Waste Management Program
Department of Toxic Substances Control

cc: (via email)

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#### Response to Comment Letter DTSC

#### **Department of Toxic Substances Control**

- DTSC-1 The comment states that Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) received the Draft SEIR and provided a brief description of the SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750 Project. The comment is introductory to the comments that follow and does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- DTSC-2 The comment states that DTSC acknowledges that SA Recycling has incorporated DTSC's comment letter dated April 2023 into the Draft SEIR and DTSC appreciates ongoing compliance from SA Recycling. The comment also states on December 12, 2023, DTSC and SA Recycling entered into a Consent Order with corrective requirements to resolve the violations and to satisfy the requirements of a Corrective Action Order issued by DTSC to SA Recycling in 2021. As stated in the Consent Order, SA Recycling shall comply with all compliance requirements. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for consideration by the Board of Harbor Commissioners. The comments do not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- DTSC-3 The comment states that DTSC appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Draft SEIR and thanks LAHD for its assistance in protecting California's people and environment from the harmful effects of toxic substances. The comment also states that if LAHD has any questions or would like any clarification on DTSC's comments, to please respond to this letter for additional guidance. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for consideration by the Board of Harbor Commissioners. The comments do not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.

## 2.3.1.2 Regional Government

**South Coast Air Quality Management District** 

### Comment Letter SCAQMD1 South Coast Air Quality Management District

From: Sahar Ghadimi Enciso Nicole To:

Cc: Sam Wang; Cegacomments

RE: Technical Data Request for the SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750 Project. Subject: Date:

Thursday, January 11, 2024 7:44:34 AM

Received. Thank you so much.

Sincerely,

From: Enciso, Nicole < NEnciso@portla.org> Sent: Thursday, January 11, 2024 7:35 AM To: Sahar Ghadimi <sghadimi@aqmd.gov>

Cc: Sam Wang <swang1@aqmd.gov>; Ceqacomments <Ceqacomments@portla.org>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Technical Data Request for the SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750

Project.

Good Morning,

Please see attached for the email shared on Monday. Please let me know if you require anything further or if these files are sufficient.

Please confirm receipt.

Thank you,

Nicole Enciso

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**Environmental Management Division** 

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From: Sahar Ghadimi <sghadimi@aqmd.gov> Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2024 9:33 AM To: Cegacomments < Cegacomments@portla.org >

Cc: Sam Wang <swang1@aqmd.gov>

Subject: Technical Data Request for the SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750 Project.

Dear Lisa Wunder,

South Coast AQMD staff received the Notice of Availability of a Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report for the SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750 Project (South Coast AQMD Control Number: LAC240104-01). Staff is currently in the process of reviewing the Draft Subsequent FIR

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Please provide an electronic copy of any live modeling and emission calculation files (complete files, not summaries) that were used to quantify the air quality impacts from construction and/or operation of the Proposed Project as applicable, including the following:

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- · CalEEMod, Input Files (.csv files);
- · Live EMFAC output files;
- Any emission calculation file(s) (live version of excel file(s); no PDF) used to calculate the Project's emission sources (i.e. truck operations).

You may send the above-mentioned files via a Dropbox link in which they may be accessed and downloaded by South Coast AQMD staff by the middle of next week. Without all files and supporting documentation, South Coast AQMD staff will be unable to complete a review of the air quality analyses in a timely manner. Any delays in providing all supporting documentation will require additional time for review beyond the end of the comment period.

SCAQMD1-3

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me. Thank you.

SCAQMD1-4

Sincerely,

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#### Response to Comment Letter SCAQMD1

#### South Coast Air Quality Management District

- SCAQMD1-1 The comment states the commenter received the Notice of Availability of the Draft SEIR for the SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750 Project and that South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) staff is in the process of reviewing the Draft SEIR. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- SCAQMD1-2 The commenter askes that an electronic copy of any live modeling and emission calculation files (complete files, not summaries) that were used to quantify the air quality impacts from construction and/or operation of the Project, as applicable, including CalEEMod files, Live EMFAC output files, and any emissions calculation files, be provided to SCAQMD. The comment requests information and does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR. The requested files were subsequently sent to the SCAQMD via email on January 8, 2024 at 11:00am, and SCAQMD confirmed receipt of the files on January 11, 2024. No further response is required.
- SCAQMD1-3 The commenter states that the above mentioned files can also be provided via a Dropbox link in which they may be accessed and downloaded by SCAQMD. The commenter also states that without these files and supporting documentation, SCAQMD would be unable to complete a review of the air quality analyses in a timely manner, and any delays in providing the documents would require additional time for review. The requested files were subsequently sent to SCAQMD via email on January 8, 2024 at 11am, and SCAQMD confirmed receipt of the files on January 11, 2024. SCAQMD subsequently sent LAHD a comment letter dated February 15, 2024 containing comments from their air quality analyses (see Comment Letter SCAQMD2). No further response is required.
- SCAQMD1-4 The comment states that if LAHD has any questions regarding the request to please contact the commenter. The comment is conclusionary in nature and does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.

# Comment Letter SCAQMD2 South Coast Air Quality Management District South Coast Air Quality Management District

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SENT VIA E-MAIL:

February 16, 2024

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## Notice of Availability of a Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750 Project (Proposed Project)

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) appreciates the opportunity to review the above-mentioned document. The Port of Los Angeles is the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Lead Agency for the Proposed Project. To provide context, South Coast AQMD staff has provided a brief summary of the project information and prepared the following comments, which are organized by topic of concern.

South Coast AQMD's Summary of Project Information in the Draft Subsequent EIR

Based on the Draft Subsequent EIR, The Proposed Project activities would be broken down into two phases as follows: (1) Continued Operation for up to 10 years, and (2) Non-operational Restoration Period for up to 5 years. Phase 1 of the project consists of an amendment to an existing permit to allow ten years of continued operation for a scrap metal recycling facility. At the end of the 10-year period, the facility would be decommissioned and restored during Phase 2 - Non-operational Restoration Period. After reviewing aerial photographs of the site, South Coast AQMD staff found that the nearest sensitive receptor, an existing residential development, is located 0.22 miles from the project site. The Proposed Project is located at 901 New Dock Street on Terminal Islandin Los Angeles within the designated AB 617 Wilmington, Carson, West Long Beach community.

South Coast AOMD Comments

South Coast AQMD Air Permits and Role as a Responsible Agency

SCQAMD2-3

SCAQMD2-1

If implementation of the Proposed Project requires the use of new stationery and portable sources, including but not limited to emergency generators, fire water pumps, boilers, etc., South Coast AQMD air permits will be required. The Final Subsequent EIR should include a discussion about the potentially applicable South Coast AQMD rules that may be applicable to the Proposed Project

<sup>3</sup> Ibid., p. 1.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Draft Subsequent EIR (Chapter 3.1, Air Quality and Meteorology). Page 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ibid, p. 7.

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including but not limited to Rule 201 – Permit to Construct, Rule 203 – Permit to Operate, Rule 401 – Visible Emissions, Rule 402 – Nuisance, Rule 403 – Fugitive Dust, Rule 1110.2 – Emissions from Gaseous and Liquid Fueled Engines, Rule 1166 – VOC Contaminated Soil Excavation, Regulation XIII – New Source Review, Rule 1401 – Air Toxics, Rule 1466 – Control of Particulate Emissions from Soils with Toxic Air Contaminants, and Rule 1470 – Requirements for Stationary Diesel Fueled Internal Combustion and Other Compression Ignition Engines. It is important to note that when air permits from South Coast AQMD are required, the role of South Coast AQMD would change from a Commenting Agency to a Responsible Agency under CEQA. In addition, if South Coast AQMD is identified as a Responsible Agency, per CEQA Guidelines Sections 15086, the Lead Agency is required to consult with South Coast AQMD.

CEQA Guidelines Section 15096 sets forth specific procedures for a Responsible Agency, including making a decision on the adequacy of the CEQA document for use as part of the process for conducting a review of the Proposed Project and issuing discretionary approvals. Moreover, it is important to note that if a Responsible Agency determines that a CEQA document is not adequate to rely upon for its discretionary approvals, the Responsible Agency must take further actions listed in CEQA Guideline Section 15096(e), which could have the effect of delaying the implementation of the Proposed Project. In its role as CEQA Responsible Agency, the South Coast AQMD is obligated to ensure that the CEQA document prepared for this Proposed Project contains a sufficient project description and analysis to be relied upon in order to issue any discretionary approvals that may be needed for air permits. South Coast AQMD is concerned that the project description and analysis in its current form in the Draft Subsequent EIR is inadequate to be relied upon for this purpose.

SCAQMD2-3 contd.

For these reasons, the Draft Subsequent EIR should be revised to include a discussion about any and all new stationary and portable equipment requiring South Coast AQMD air permits, provide the evaluation of their air quality and greenhouse gas impacts, and identify South Coast AQMD

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> South Coast AQMD Rule 201 – Permit to Construct. Available at: <a href="https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/reg-ii/rule-201.pdf">https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/reg-ii/rule-201.pdf</a>.

South Coast AQMD Rule 203 – Permit to Operate. Available at: <a href="https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/reg-ii/rule-203.pdf">https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/reg-ii/rule-203.pdf</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> South Coast AQMD Rule 401 – Visible Emissions. Available at: <a href="https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/rule-iv/rule-401.pdf">https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/rule-iv/rule-401.pdf</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> South Coast AQMD Rule 402 – Nuisance. Available at: <a href="https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/rule-iv/rule-402.pdf">https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/rule-iv/rule-402.pdf</a>

<sup>8</sup> South Coast AQMD Rule 403 – Fugitive Dust, Available at: <a href="https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/rule-iv/rule-403.pdf">https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/rule-iv/rule-403.pdf</a>.

South Coast AQMD Rule 1110.2 – Emissions from Gaseous and Liquid Fueled Engines. Available at: rule-1110-2.pdf (aqmd.gov)
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South Coast AQMD Rule 1166 – VOC Contaminated Soil Excavation. Available at <a href="https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/reg-xi/rule-1166.pdf">https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/reg-xi/rule-1166.pdf</a>.
 South Coast AQMD Regulation 13 – New Source Review. Available at: <a href="https://www.aqmd.gov/home/rules">https://www.aqmd.gov/home/rules</a>

compliance/rules/scaqmd-rule-book/regulation-xiii.

South Coast AQMD Rule 1401 – Air Toxics, Available at: https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-

South Coast AQMD Rule 1401 – Air Toxics. Available at: https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/reg-xiv/rule-1401.pdf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> South Coast AQMD Rule 1466 - Control of Particulate Emissions from Soils with Toxic Air Contaminants Available at: <a href="https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/reg-xiv/rule-1466.pdf">https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/reg-xiv/rule-1466.pdf</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> South Coast AQMD Rule 1470 – Requirements for Stationary Diesel Fueled Internal Combustion and Other Compression Ignition Engines. Available at: <a href="https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/reg-xiv/rule-1470.pdf">https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/rule-book/reg-xiv/rule-1470.pdf</a>.

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as a Responsible Agency for the Proposed Project as this information will be relied upon as the basis for the permit conditions and emission limits for the air permit(s). Please contact South CoastSCAQMD2-3 AQMD's Engineering and Permitting staff at (909) 396-3385 for questions regarding what types contd. of equipment would require air permits. For more general information on permits, please visit South Coast AQMD's webpage at <a href="http://www.aqmd.gov/home/permits">http://www.aqmd.gov/home/permits</a>.

Information on the CERP for the Designated AB 617 WCWLB Community

The Proposed Project area includes the AB 617-designated WCWLB community and is heavily impacted by air pollution generated from sources such as ports, refineries, oil and gas industry, heavy-duty diesel trucks, warehouses, and railroad activities. As part of the AB 617 process, South Coast AQMD is required to work with a Community Steering Committee (CSC) to develop a Community Emission Reductions Plan (CERP) that identifies air quality priorities and related actions to reduce air pollution in the community. The South Coast AQMD Governing Board adopted the WCWLB CERP on September 6, 2019. South Coast AQMD staff recommends that the Lead Agency review the actions to reduce air pollution in the community included in Chapter 5 of the WCWLB CERP. South Coast AQMD staff also recommends the Lead Agency continue working with South Coast AQMD to explore whether additional measures to mitigate or further reduce emissions can be implemented at the Proposed Project to support actions in the WCWLB CERP.

#### Conclusion

As set forth in California Public Resources Code Section 21092.5(a) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15088(a-b), the Lead Agency shall evaluate comments from public agencies on the SCAQMD2-5 environmental issues and prepare a written response at least 10 days prior to certifying the Final Subsequent EIR. As such, please provide South Coast AQMD written responses to all comments contained herein at least 10 days prior to the certification of the Final Subsequent EIR. In addition, as provided by CEQA Guidelines Section 15088(c), if the Lead Agency's position is at variance with recommendations provided in this comment letter, detailed reasons supported by substantial evidence in the record to explain why specific comments and suggestions are not accepted must be provided.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments. South Coast AQMD staff is available to work with the Lead Agency to address any air quality questions that may arise from this comment letter. Please contact Sahar Ghadimi, Air Quality Specialist, at <a href="mailto:sghadimi@aqmd.gov">sghadimi@aqmd.gov</a> should you have any questions.

Sincerely, Sam Wang

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> South Coast AQMD. September 2019. Assembly Bill 617 Wilmington, West Long Beach, Carson Community Emissions Reduction Plan. Accessed at: <a href="https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/ab-617-ab-134/steering-committees/wilmington/cerp/final-cerp-wcwlb.pdf">https://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/ab-617-ab-134/steering-committees/wilmington/cerp/final-cerp-wcwlb.pdf</a>.

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Sam Wang

Program Supervisor, CEQA IGR Planning, Rule Development & Implementation

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### Response to Comment Letter SCAQMD2

### South Coast Air Quality Management District

- SCAQMD2-1 The commenter states the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) appreciates the opportunity to review the Draft SEIR and acknowledges the Port of Los Angeles as the Lead Agency under CEQA. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- SCAQMD2-2 To provide context, the commenter provides a brief summary of the proposed Project and introduces the agency comments that follow. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- SCAQMD2-3 The comment notes that when air permits from the SCAQMD are required, the role of the SCAQMD becomes one of a Responsible Agency. The comment recommends that the Draft SEIR be revised to include a discussion of new stationary and portable equipment requiring SCAQMD air permits and to identify SCAQMD as a Responsible Agency. In response, the Proposed Project includes the extension of an existing Permit. All of the existing equipment on site has the appropriate SCAQMD permits. LAHD acknowledges SCAQMD's role as a Responsible Agency if any new equipment was proposed; however, the Proposed Project does not propose any new equipment, and no new permits are anticipated from SCAQMD. As such, no modifications are required.
- SCAQMD2-4 The comment describes the Community Emission Reductions Plan (CERP) and recommends that actions identified in the CERP be reviewed in relation to the proposed Project. The comment also recommends the Lead Agency work with the SCAQMD to explore whether additional measures to mitigate or further reduce emissions can be implemented at the Proposed Project site to support CERP actions. The comment describes the CERP and recommends that actions identified in the CERP be reviewed in relation to the Proposed Project.

Chapter 5 of the applicable CERP identifies two actions: Action 2 targeting ships and harbor craft and Action 3 targeting cargo-handling equipment and drayage trucks. The actions include measures such as supporting the Port's clean air initiatives and Clean Air Action Plan (CAAP) measures, identifying and implementing demonstration and incentive programs, and supporting and enforcing California Air Resources Board (CARB) rules and rule development.

Vessels calling at the facility are dry bulk vessels and are not subject to emission reduction requirements of CARB's 2022 At-Berth Regulation. Harbor craft that assist the dry bulk vessels are subject to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) engine standards and CARB's In-Use Harbor Craft regulation.

Although the proposed Project would not use typical cargo-handling equipment, mobile on-site equipment is subject to EPA engine standards as well as CARB's In-Use Off-Road Diesel Fleet Regulation, which requires vehicle fleets to reduce their emissions by retiring older vehicles and replacing the retired vehicles with newer vehicles, repowering older engines, or installing verified diesel emission control strategies in older engines; and by restricting the addition of older vehicles to fleets. Furthermore, trucks used to transport material to the facility are subject to CARB's On-Road Heavy-Duty Diesel Vehicles (In-Use) Regulation and CARB's Advanced Clean Trucks Program, which require engine replacement and mandate zero emission vehicle sales, respectively. Trucks visiting the facility are also subject to the requirements of the Port's Clean Trucks Program.

The Proposed Project would comply with EPA, CARB, local, and Port requirements and its activities would accordingly not conflict with goals of the applicable CERP.

### SCAQMD2-5

The comment states that per CEQA Guidelines Section 15088(a-b), the Lead Agency shall evaluate comments from public agencies and prepare a written response at least 10 days prior to certifying the Final SEIR, and requests written responses to all comments will be provided to their comments at least 10 days prior to the certification of the Final SEIR. In response, the responses to Comment Letter SCAQMD-2 provided herein, address all comments sent by SCAQMD. The commenter will receive the Final SEIR document with these responses to comments at least 10 days prior to the public meeting of the Board of Harbor Commissioners to consider certifying the Final SEIR.

### SCAQMD2-6

The commenter states that as provided by CEQA Guidelines Section 15088(c), if a Lead Agency's position is at variance with recommendations provided in this comment letter, detailed reasons supported by substantial evidence in the record to explain why specific comments and suggestions are not accepted must be provided. In response, LAHD notes the responses to Comment Letter SCAQMD-2 provided herein, gives the requested reasons and evidence needed to respond to SCAQMD comments.

#### SCAQMD2-7

The comment states that the commenter is thankful for the opportunity to provide comments, and states that SCAQMD staff is available to work with the Port to address any air quality questions that may arise from their letter. Contact information is provided as a concluding remark. The commenter will remain on the notification list for future public meetings before the Board of Harbor Commissioners regarding the

Proposed Project. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.

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SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750 Project Final SEIR

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### 2.3.1.3 Local Government

Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation

## Comment Letter LASAN Los Angeles Sanitation and Environment

FORM GEN. 160 (Rev. 8-12)

#### **CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: January 17, 2024

TO: Lisa Wunder, Acting Director

The Port of Los Angeles

Attn: Nicole Enciso, City Planner

Department of City Planning

FROM: Rowena Lau, Division Manager

Wastewater Engineering Services Divis

LA Sanitation and Environment

SUBJECT: SA RECYCLING AMENDMENT TO PERMIT NO. 750 PROJECT - NOTICE OF

AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT SUBSEQUENT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

REPORT

This is in response to your January 4, 2024 Notice of Availability of a Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report for the proposed project located at 901 New Dock Street on Terminal Island, San Pedro, CA 90731. LA Sanitation, Wastewater Engineering Services Division has received and logged the notification. Upon review it has been determined that the project is unrelated to sewers and does not require any hydraulic analysis. Please notify our office in the instance that additional environmental review is necessary for this project.

LASAN-1

If you have any questions, please call Than Win at (323) 342-6268 or email at than.win@lacity.org.

ASAN-2

RL/TW: sa

c: Julie Allen, LASAN Michael Scaduto, LASAN Spencer Yu, LASAN Than Win, LASAN

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### Response to Comment Letter LASAN

### Los Angeles Sanitation and Environment

- LASAN-1 The comment states that Los Angeles Sanitation (LASAN), Wastewater Engineering Services Division has received and logged the Notice of Availability of the Draft SEIR, and upon review has determined that the Proposed Project is unrelated to sewers and does not require any hydraulic analysis. The comment also asks that LAHD notify LASAN's office in the instance that additional environmental review is necessary for this Proposed Project. LAHD acknowledges this comment and it will include it in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration. LAHD will also notify LASAN as requested if it is determined that additional environmental review for this Proposed Project is requested.
- LASAN-2 The comment states that if LAHD has any questions regarding the comments please phone or email the commenter. The comment is conclusionary in nature and does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.

### 2.3.1.4 Organizations

## Comment Letter HAIC Harbor Association of Industry and Commerce

From: Henry Rogers
To: Cegacomments

Subject: Support Letter for SA Recycling's Lease Renewal Date: Wednesday, January 10, 2024 10:01:12 AM

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### Greetings,

I am writing to you today to provide additional context and support for an important matter concerning our harbor community. Enclosed with this email, you will find a letter from the Harbor Association of Industry and Commerce (HAIC) officially expressing our support for the lease agreement renewal of SA Recycling at the Port of Los Angeles.

As you are aware, SA Recycling has been a significant part of our harbor's industrial and commercial landscape. Their contributions span various aspects, from employment and labor relations to environmental stewardship and community engagement. In the attached letter, we've outlined the key reasons why HAIC firmly believes in the positive impact of renewing SA Recycling's lease agreement.

Moreover, the recent Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report, which has satisfactorily addressed all relevant environmental concerns, further solidifies our stance on this matter.

We understand the importance of thorough consideration in such decisions, and we appreciate the Port of Los Angeles Harbor Department's dedication to ensuring a balanced and prosperous future for our harbor community. We believe that the renewal of SA Recycling's lease is in alignment with our shared goals of economic growth and environmental responsibility.

Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or require further information. We are committed to being a supportive and engaged partner in this process and are eager to assist in any way necessary.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. We look forward to your favorable consideration and a continued prosperous relationship.

Henry Rogers
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Lisa Wunder Port of Los Angeles Harbor Department 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Subject: Support for SA Recycling's Lease Agreement

Dear Ms. Wunder,

On behalf of the Harbor Association of Industry and Commerce (HAIC), I am writing to express our steadfast support for the lease agreement renewal of SA Recycling at the Port of Los Angeles. Since our establishment in 1975, HAIC has been a united and influential voice for the harbor business community, dedicated to promoting best practices, economically responsible solutions, and impactful industry legislation that benefits our members.

HAIC-6

Our support of SA Recycling's lease renewal is grounded in their strong alignment with HAIC's mission to foster progress in industrial and commercial trade. This alignment is evident through:

- Employment and Labor Relations: SA Recycling's commitment to providing stable, wellpaying jobs and their exemplary labor relations are pivotal to the prosperity of our harbor business community.
- Environmental Stewardship: Their dedication to sustainable practices aligns with our
  commitment to promoting responsible commerce, contributing to cleaner air and
  water, and being socially responsible advocates for the regional economy.

HAIC-7

- Community Engagement: SA Recycling's support of over 50 local organizations and
  active participation in community initiatives mirrors our values of fostering community
  connections and ensuring our members are engaged, contributing entities in our local
  area.
- Economic Contributions: Their substantial economic impact through job creation, labor income, and state and local tax contributions align with our mission of advocating for policies and initiatives that benefit our members and the broader community.
- 5. Advancing a Circular Economy: Their role in promoting a circular economy resonates with our focus on sustainable and responsible trade practices.

Additionally, the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report has satisfactorily addressed all relevant environmental concerns, further reinforcing our support for this lease extension.

HAIC-8

We firmly believe that renewing SA Recycling's lease agreement is not only beneficial but essential for the continued vitality and sustainability of our harbor business community.

HAIC-9

We appreciate the Port of Los Angeles Harbor Department's consideration of our support and look forward to a favorable outcome that aligns with our shared goals of economic prosperity and environmental responsibility.

HAIC-10

Sincerely

Henry Rogers

**Executive Director** 

Harbor Association of Industry and Commerce

CC: Port of Los Angeles Harbor Commission

### Response to Comment Letter HAIC

### Harbor Association of Industry and Commerce

- HAIC-1 The commenter states that SA Recycling has been a significant part of the harbor's industrial and commercial landscape. Their contributions span various aspects, from employment and labor relations to environmental stewardship and community engagement. The commenter also outlines the key reasons why the Harbor Association of Industry and Commerce (HAIC) firmly believes in the positive impact of renewing SA Recycling's Permit agreement. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners consideration.
- HAIC-2 The comment states that the recent Draft SEIR satisfactorily addresses all relevant environmental concerns and further solidifies HAIC's stance on the matter. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- HAIC-3 The comment states that the commenter understands the importance of thorough consideration in such decisions, and HAIC appreciates the LAHD dedication to ensuring a balanced and prosperous future for our harbor community. The comment also states that the HAIC believes that the renewal of SA Recycling's Permit is in alignment with our shared goals of economic growth and environmental responsibility. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- HAIC-4 The comment recommends LAHD reach out if there are any questions or if LAHD requires further information. The comment also states HAIC is committed to being a supportive and engaged partner in this process and are eager to assist in any way necessary. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- HAIC-5 The comment thanks LAHD for its attention to this important matter and states that HAIC looks forward to favorable consideration and a continued prosperous relationship. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- HAIC-6 The comment describes HAIC's steadfast support for the Permit agreement renewal of SA Recycling at the Port of Los Angeles, and states that since HAIC's establishment in 1975, the organization has been a united and influential voice for the harbor business

community, dedicated to promoting best practices, economically responsible solutions, and impactful industry legislation that benefits our members. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

- HAIC-7 The comment mentions HAIC support of SA Recycling's Permit renewal and states that it is grounded in SA Recycling's strong alignment with HAIC's mission to foster progress in industrial and commercial trade. This alignment is evident through:
  - Employment and Labor Relations: SA Recycling's commitment to providing stable, well-paying jobs and their exemplary labor relations are pivotal to the prosperity of the harbor business community.
  - Environmental Stewardship: Their dedication to sustainable practices aligns with our commitment to promoting responsible commerce, contributing to cleaner air and water, and being socially responsible advocates for the regional economy.
  - Community Engagement: SA Recycling's support of over 50 local organizations and active participation in community initiatives mirrors our values of fostering community connections and ensuring our members are engaged, contributing entities in our local area.
  - Economic Contributions: Their substantial economic impact through job creation, labor income, and state and local tax contributions align with our mission of advocating for policies and initiatives that benefit our members and the broader community.
  - Advancing a Circular Economy: Their role in promoting a circular economy resonates with our focus on sustainable and responsible trade practices.

LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

- HAIC-8 The comment states the Draft SEIR has satisfactorily addressed all relevant environmental concerns, further reinforcing our support for this Permit extension. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- HAIC-9 The comment states that renewing SA Recycling's Permit agreement is not only beneficial but essential for the continued vitality and sustainability of the harbor business community. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- HAIC-10 The comment states HAIC appreciates the LAHD's consideration of their support and looks forward to a favorable outcome that aligns with our shared goals of economic

prosperity and environmental responsibility. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

### Comment Letter FCMA Friends of Cabrillo Marine Aquarium



January 10, 2023

Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Via Email cegacomments@portla.org

Re: Response to Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension

Dear Ms. Wunder:

We've received notice that the Port of Los Angeles has published the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SA Recycling's application to extend its lease at the Port for another 10 years.

Friends of Cabrillo Marine Aquarium is proud of our work to support marine education, providing 220,000 visitors annually with a freq or low-cost experience at our internationally recognized teaching aquarium. SA Recycling continues to prove its commitment to being FCMA-2 a leader in their industry with cutting-edge technology and practices that align with our sustainability goals as well as the Port's goals.

SA Recycling contributes meaningfully in our community. SA and its employees are active participants, partners, and supporters of many community activities and organizations, including ours. SA Recycling helped us with an Earth Day event, smashing one of our outreach vans that had reached the end of its service. They also helped us recycle chairs from our classroom. They always step forward as a sponsor of our annual Grand Grunion Gala and provide auction items.

SA recycles over a million tons of metals every year, which significantly reduces the amount of material that otherwise could be going to our landfills or be abandoned in our streets and alleys. These activities contribute to the environmental stewardship and quality of life in our communities.

With the critical finding in the DSEIR recognizing that there are no significant environmental impacts by the lease extension, and with SA having been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007, we have no doubt they will continue to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the lease extension. I strongly urge for the approval of this DSEIR and SA' 10-year lease extension.

Sincerely,

Caroline Brady

Caroline I. Brady

Los Angeles Harbor Board of Commissioners, SA Recycling

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### Response to Comment Letter FCMA

### Friends of Cabrillo Marine Aquarium

- FCMA-1 The commenter states Friends of Cabrillo Marine Aquarium (FCMA) received notice that the Port of Los Angeles has published the Draft SEIR for SA Recycling's application to extend its Permit at the Port for another 10 years. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- FCMA-2 The comment states FCMA is proud of our work to support marine education, providing 220,000 visitors annually with a free or low-cost experience at our internationally recognized teaching aquarium. The comment also states that SA Recycling continues to prove its commitment to being a leader in their industry with cutting-edge technology and practices that align with FCMA's sustainability goals as well as the Port's goals. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners consideration.
- FCMA-3The comment states that SA Recycling contributes meaningfully to the community, and the company and its employees are active participants, partners, and supporters of many community activities and organizations, including FCMA. SA Recycling helped FCMA with an Earth Day event, and they always step forward as a sponsor of the FCMA annual Grand Grunion Gala and provide auction items. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners consideration.
- FCMA-4 The commenter states SA Recycling recycles over a million tons of metals every year, which significantly reduces the amount of material that otherwise could be going to our landfills or be abandoned in our streets and alleys. These activities contribute to the environmental stewardship and quality of life in our communities. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners consideration.
- FCMA-5 The comment states the critical finding in the Draft SEIR is that there are no significant environmental impacts caused by the Permit extension with SA Recycling having been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007. The commenter also states that they have no doubt SA Recycling will continue to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the Permit extension, and strongly urge for the approval of this Draft SEIR and SA Recycling's 10-year Permit extension.

LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners consideration.

### Comment Letter ILWU26 mational Longshoreman's and Warehousing Union Local 26

### WAREHOUSE, PROCESSING & DISTRIBUTION WORKERS' UNION

### LOCAL 26

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January 16, 2024

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To: Ms. Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Via Email ceqacomments@portla.org

Re: Local 26 ILWU response to Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recyclings' Lease Extension on Terminal Island

Dear Ms. Wunder:

We have recently been informed that the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) has published the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SA Recycling's (SA) application to extend its lease at the Port ILWU26-1 for another 10 years. ILWU Local 26 strongly supports the approval of the DSEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's lease for the following reasons:

We agree with the DSEIR that there are no significant environmental impacts by the lease extension. SA has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007 and plans on continuing to ILWU26-2 operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the lease extension.

SA Recycling provides important environmental, economic, and societal benefits for our local community and the region. SA recycles over a million tons of metals every year which significantly reduces the amoun of material that otherwise could be going to our landfills or be abandoned in our streets and alleys. Instead the processed metals are shipped overseas or domestically where they become needed steel for newly ILWU26-3 manufactured products. These activities clearly add to the economic strength of the Port, the City of Los Angeles, and the region while they also contribute to the environmental stewardship and quality of life in our communities, as well as providing employment and benefits for workers and their families.

SA is respected for being one of the best employers in the region. However, what makes SA a truly uniquel important company is the fact that it is an employer of predominately minority individuals. SA not only provides good paying jobs, but also nurtures careers in the industry. The Company provides training for it employees to become operators of heavy machinery, welders, mechanics, and other skills and by doing so offers steady employment at good wages and upward professional mobility. Most of the over 13 employees live in the area and have families who contribute to the vitality of our local communities. Many of the employees who work directly at SA have been working at the site for 2 or 3 generations. In addition the many indirect jobs the Company's recycling activities generate and sustain are primarily from underserved communities.

**ILWU26-4** 

SA and its employees have also been active participants, partners, and supporters of many of our community activities and organizations. In addition to SA's participation in the community, its personnel are our neighbors; our colleagues on non-profit boards and organizations who partner and organize community events alongside our residents, and they are always one of the first to offer assistance when help is needed. In doing so SA, with its investment and direct involvement in our communities, serves as an example of what it means to be a responsible company.

**ILWU26-5** 

An example, ILWU Local 26 relies heavily on the port's support of local businesses like SA Recycling. SA Recycling has provided jobs for over 100 union workers. One-third of the union workforce have over 30 years of seniority. Local 26 is committed to a safe and healthy work environment and community environment. SA Recycling is part of this process. We are truly grateful for their support and partnership.

**ILWU26-6** 

Should you have any questions or would like more information about this issue, please contact me at ofc@ilwu26.com or (323) 753-3461

Sincerely,

Luisa Gratz

President of ILWU Local 26

CC: Los Angeles Harbor Commissioners

SA Recycling

### Response to Comment Letter ILWU26

### International Longshoreman's and Warehousing Union Local 26

- ILWU 26-1 The commenter states the International Longshoreman's and Warehousing Union Local 26 (ILWU 26) has been informed that the Port of Los Angeles has public the Draft SEIR for the Proposed Project to extend the Permit. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- ILWU 26-2 The comment states the ILWU 26 agrees that there are no significant environmental impacts by the Permit extension and that SA Recycling has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007 and plans to continue to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the Permit extension. LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- ILWU 26-3 The comment states that SA Recycling provides important environmental, economic and societal benefits for our local community and the region. SA Recycling recycles over a million tons of metals every year which significantly reduces the amount of material and otherwise could be going to landfills or abandoned in the streets and alleys. Instead the processed metals are shipped overseas or domestically where they become needed steel for newly manufactured products. These activities add to the economic strength of the Port, the City of Los Angeles, and the region while contributing to the environmental stewardship and quality of life in the community, as well as providing employment and benefits for workers and their families. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- ILWU 26-4 The comment summarizes why SA Recycling is respected for being one of the best employers in the region. The comment states that the company is an employer of predominately minority individuals. The comment also states that SA Recycling provides good paying jobs and nurtures careers in the industry, as they provide training for its employees to become operators of heavy machinery, welders, mechanics, and other skills. The comment also states the company offers steady employment at good wages and upward professional mobility with most of the over 125 union and non-union employees at Terminal Island live in the area and have families who contribute to the vitality of local communities. The comment additionally states that many of the employees who work directly at SA Recycling have been working at the site for 2 or 3

generations with one-third of the employees having been with SA Recycling for more than 30 years. Finally, the comment states SA Recycling's operations and product-related services support additional indirect employment of 2,319 individuals in the region. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

responsible company. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

- ILWU 26-5 The comment states SA Recycling and its employees have also been active participants, partners, and supporters of many community activities and organizations. In addition, the comment also says SA Recycling's personnel are neighbors, colleagues on non-profit boards and organizations who partner and organize community events alongside the residents, and are one of the first to offer assistance when help is needed. The commenter believes SA Recycling serves as an example of what it means to be a
- ILWU 26-6 The comment offers an example of how ILWU 26 relies on the Port's support of local businesses like SA Recycling as it has provided jobs for over 100 union workers. The comment states that one-third of the union workforce has over 30 years of seniority and ILWU 26 is committed to a safe and healthy work and community environment. SA Recycling is part of this process, and the union is grateful for their support and partnership. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- ILWU 26-7 The comment is conclusionary in nature and offers ILWU 26 contact information. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.

## Comment Letter CCC Carson Chamber of Commerce



January 12, 2024

Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Via Email ceqacomments@portla.org

Re: Response to Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension

Dear Ms. Wunder:

We see that the Port of Los Angeles has published the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's application to extend its lease at the port for another 10 years. The Carson Chamber of Commerce strongly supports the approval of the DSEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's lease.

We agree with the DSEIR that there are no significant environmental impacts related to the lease extension. SA has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007 and plans on continuing to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the lease extension. I have personally toured the site and found it to be very clean and well maintained. I would say, in fact, that it is one of the better maintained operations in the area. I saw no fugitive dust, no runoff, and no other impacts of note. It was clear that employees took the responsibility of running the site cleanly very seriously.

SA Recycling provides important environmental, economic, and societal benefits for our local community and the region. SA recycles over a million tons of metals every year, significantly reducing the amount of material that otherwise could be going to our landfills or be abandoned in our streets and alleys. Instead, the processed metals are shipped overseas or domestically where they become needed steel for newly manufactured products. These activities clearly add to the economic strength of the port, the City of Los Angeles, and the region while they also contribute to the environmental stewardship and quality of life of our communities.

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SA is respected for being one of the best employers in the region. The company hires people from the community. The company provides training for its employees to become operators of heavy machinery, welders, mechanics, and other skills and by doing so offers steady employment at good wages and upward professional mobility. Most of the over 130 employees live in the area and have families who contribute to the vitality of our local communities. I noticed that many of the employees who work at SA are the second or third generation in their family to work for the company, which is a matter of pride to the employees. In addition, the many indirect jobs the company's recycling activities generate and sustain are primarily from underserved communities.

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SA and its employees are participants, partners, and supporters of many of our community activities and organizations. One of their employees serves on our board while another of their staff members runs our very popular Leadership Carson program building leaders in the community. They are always there for the Carson Chamber and for the community as a whole.

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The Carson Chamber of Commerce was founded in 1962. We understand the needs of the business community and consistently strive to effectively represent the best interests of our members. I am more than happy to discuss this matter further. My contact information is below.

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Sincerely,

Barry M. Waite

President

Carson Chamber of Commerce

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### Response to Comment Letter CCC

### **Carson Chamber of Commerce**

- CCC-1 The commenter states the Carson Chamber of Commerce (CCC) sees the Port of Los Angeles has published the Draft SEIR for the Project and the CCC strongly supports the approval of the Draft SEIR and the extension of the SA Recycling Permit. LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- CCC-2 The comment states the CCC agrees the Draft SIER has no significant environmental impacts related to the Permit extension and states that SA Recycling has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007 and plans to continue to operate in a similar or improved manner during the Permit extension. The commenter states they have personally toured the site and found it to be very clean and well maintained and they found it to be one of the better maintained operations in the area. The commenter did not see any fugitive dust, runoff and no other impacts of note and it was clear the employees took the responsibility of running the site cleanly very seriously. LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- CCC-3 The comment states that SA Recycling provides important environmental, economic, and societal benefits for our local community and the region as it recycles over a million tons of metals every year, significantly reducing the amount of material that otherwise could be going to our landfills or be abandoned in our streets and alleys. Instead, the processed metals are shipped overseas or domestically where they become needed steel for newly manufactured products. The commenter also states that these activities clearly add to the economic strength of the Port, the City of Los Angeles, and the region while they also contribute to the environmental stewardship and quality of life of our communities. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- CCC-4 The commenter states SA Recycling is respected for being one of the best employers in the region and the company hires people from the community. The company provides training for its employees to become operators of heavy machinery, welders, mechanics, and other skills and by doing so offers steady employment at good wages and with upward professional mobility. The commenter also states the most of the over 130 employees live in the area and have families who contribute to the vitality of the local communities, and that many of the employees who work at SA Recycling are the second

or third generation in their family to work for the company. In addition, the commenter states that many indirect jobs are generated by the company's recycling activities and these activities sustain primarily underserved communities. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

- CCC-5 The comment states that SA Recycling and its employees are participants, partners, and supporters of many of our community activities and organizations, as one of their employees serves on the CCC board while another of their staff members runs the CCC Leadership Carson Program, which builds leaders in the community. The commenter states these employees have always been there for the CCC and for the community as a whole. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- CCC-6 The comment states that the CCC was founded in 1962, and the CCC understands the needs of the business community and consistently strives to effectively represent the best interests of our members. The commenter is more than happy to discuss this matter further and provides their contact information. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

## Comment Letter GAP Gang Alternative Program

From: SueAnn Ballat
To: Cegacomments

Cc: gseroka@portla.org; mfiqueroa@sarecycling.com; Commissioners

Subject: SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750 Project

Date: Thursday, January 18, 2024 6:52:36 PM

Attachments: GAP SA-support.pdf

January 18, 2024

Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Via Email cegacomments@portla.org

Re: Response to <u>Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease</u>
Extension

Dear Ms. Wunder:

The Gang Alternative Program (GAP) was established in 1986 and supports a number of programs that benefit the environment and communities. These include a Summer Youth Employment program, Gang Prevention Education, After School Programs, Parenting Classes, Community Beautification, Graffiti Abatement and Clean and Safe Streets.

In response to the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) published Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SA Recycling's (SA) application to extend its lease at the Port for another 10 years. GAP supports the approval of the DSEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's lease.

We agree with the DSEIR that there are no significant environmental impacts by the lease extension. SA has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007 and plans to continue to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the lease extension.

Most of what GAP does is for a Cleaner, Safer, nurturing and more equitable environment and we feel like SA shares our goals.

SA takes seriously its efforts to Go Green, by having in operation an all-electric, emission-reducing mobile crane that has moved five million tons of recycled metals since 2017. The company is also continuing to purchase available electric equipment for its operations all of which has significantly reduced emissions at the site.

• Using recycled metals to make new steel decreases greenhouse gases by up to 80%

SA is respected for being one of the best employers in the region. However, what makes SA a truly uniquely important company is the fact that it is an employer of predominately minority individuals. SA not only provides good paying jobs, but also nurtures careers in the industry. The Company

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provides training for its employees to become operators of heavy machinery, welders, mechanics, and other skills and by doing so offers steady employment at good wages and upward professional mobility. One-third of the employees who work directly for SA have been working at the site for thirty years or more. Good jobs are crucial to uplifting our communities.

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Should you have any questions or would like more information about this issue, please contact me.

GAP-6

Cordially, SueAnn

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### Response to Comment Letter GAP

### **Gang Alternative Program**

- GAP-1 The commenter notes that in response to the Port of Los Angeles' published Draft SEIR for SA Recycling's application to extend its Permit at the Port for another 10 years. Gang Alternative Program (GAP) supports the approval of the Draft SEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's Permit. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- GAP-2 The comment states that GAP agrees with the Draft SEIR that there are no significant environmental impacts by the Permit extension. SA Recycling has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007 and plans to continue to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the Permit extension. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- GAP-3 The comment describes that GAP is for a cleaner, safer, nurturing and more equitable environment and SA Recycling shares GAP's goals. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- GAP-4 The comment summarizes that SA Recycling takes seriously its efforts to Go Green, by having in operation an all-electric, emission-reducing mobile crane that has moved five million tons of recycled metals since 2017. The company is also continuing to purchase available electric equipment for its operations all of which has significantly reduced emissions at the site. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- GAP-5 The comment states SA Recycling is respected for being one of the best employers in the region, and is unique in that they are an employer of primarily minority individuals. SA Recycling not only provides good paying jobs, but also nurtures careers in the industry, and provides training for its employees to become operators of heavy machinery, welders, mechanics, and other skills. By doing this, the company offers steady employment at good wages and upward professional mobility. The comment also states that one-third of the employees who work directly for SA Recycling have been working at the site for thirty years or more, and good jobs are crucial to uplifting our communities. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

GAP-6 The comment states that if LAHD should have any questions or would like more information about this issue to contact GAP, and provides contact information. The comment is conclusionary in nature and does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.

## Comment Letter BGCLAH Boys and Girls Clubs of the Los Angeles Harbor



Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

January 17, 2024

Via Email cegacomments@portla.org

Re: Response to <u>Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension</u>

Dear Ms. Wunder:

True to its mission since 1937, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Los Angeles Harbor help young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, and responsible citizens. We achieve this through a commitment to quality programs and services in an environment that is safe, nurturing, and inspiring. We currently operate facilities in San Pedro, Wilmington, Harbor City, Lomita, and Gardena.

**BGCLAH-1** 

On behalf of the Boys & Girls Club of the Los Angeles Harbor, we are responding to the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) published Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SA Recycling's (SA) application to extend its lease at the Port for another 10 years. The Boys and Girls Club of Los Angeles Harbor supports the approval of the DSEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's lease and agrees with the DSEIR findings of no environmental impact.

BGCLAH-2

It has already been nine years, but we were able to participate at the SA site to see two of our old diesel busses crushed to be recycled and with a grant from the Harbor Community Benefit Foundation able to replace those busses with two new CNG busses. I attended SA's celebration of moving five million tons with a new all-electric mobile crane on August 1, 2023 – a great environmental investment. Our Staff member Emily Huff toured the facility last year and can assure you that their commitment to the environment, employees and community have only grown stronger - SA Recycling is a GREAT community partner!

**BGCLAH-3** 

On behalf of our members, Board of Directors, staff and volunteers the Boys & Girls Club of Los Angeles Harbor supports the approval of the DSEIR findings of no environmental impact and the 10-year lease extension of the SA Recycling lease.

**BGCLAH-4** 

Sincerely,

Mike Lansing
Chief Executive Officer

Boys & Girls Club of the Los Angeles Harbor

CC: Gene Seroka

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Moises Figueroa

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Board of Harbor Commissioners (BOHC) commissioners@portla.org

### Response to Comment Letter BGCLAH

### Boys and Girls Club - Los Angeles Harbor

- BGCLAH-1 The commenter states the Boy and Girls Club Los Angeles Harbor (BGCLAH) mission and states it was established in 1937. The comment also states the BGCLAH operate facilities in San Pedro, Wilmington, Harbor City, Lomita and Gardena. The comments do not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- BGCLAH-2 The comment states on behalf of BGCLAH, the commenter is responding to LAHD's published Draft SEIR for the Project. The comment also states the BCGLAH supports the approval of the Draft SEIR and the extension of the Permit, and the BCGLAH supports the approval of the Draft SEIR findings of no environmental impact. LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- BGCLAH-3 The comment states that it has been nine years and the BCGLAH has had the opportunity to participate at the SA Recycling site to see two of their old diesel buses crushed to be recycled and a grant from the Harbor Community Benefit Foundation was able to replace those buses with two new CNG buses. The commenter also attended SA Recycling's celebration of moving five million tons of recycled material with a new all-electric mobile crane on August 1, 2023, and the BCGLAH was able to tour the facility last year and was assured of SA Recycling's commitment to the environment, employees and community. The commenter also states the BCGLAH considers SA Recycling as a great community partner. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- BGCLAH-4 The comment states that on behalf of our members, Board of Directors, staff and volunteers, the BGCLAH supports the approval of the Draft SEIR finding of no environmental impact and the 10-year Permit extension of the SA Recycling Permit. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

### Comment Letter BGCLB Boys and Girls Clubs of Long Beach



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Boys & Girls Clubs of Long Beach January 18, 2024

Executive Offices: 3635 Long Beach Blvd. Long Beach, CA 90807 (562) 595-5945 Federal ID#: 95-1643977 www.bgclublb.org

Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department **Environmental Management Division** 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

**Board of Directors** Robert Renteria, Board Chair Via Email cegacomments@portla.org

\* Barbie Barker Matt Browning \* Trent Bryson Kelly Buck James Bunnell Andrea Carlson Re: Response to Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension

Eric Chapman Fernando Chavez Tony Chukuka Carlos Delherra Kim Estes Damon Haber

Dear Ms. Wunder:

\* Brian Holmen Albert Israel Sandi Kayse Perla Hernandez Lastra Mark S. Latimer Nathan Lee Daniel Munzer

Established in 1939, our mission is to enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.

Liz Munzer Chris Nunley Michaela Pereira Andy Perez

On behalf of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Long Beach, representing thirteen club locations, this is in response to the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) published Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SA Recyling's (SA) application to extend its lease at BGCLB-2 the Port for another 10 years. The Boys and Girls Club of Long Beach supports the approval of the DSEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's lease and agree with the DSEIR findings of no environmental impact.

Stefan Perovich William Phillips Blythe Reyes Diana Rodriguez Mitchell Shenkin Matt Simon Timothy Tadler Grant Uba, M.D. Marcus Williams

Our Director of Development and Partnerships, Minh Luu, toured their facility last year and was impressed with their commitment to their employees, environment and of course we are aware of their contributions to the community both fiscally and with their time and talents. This industr BGCLB-3 is vital to our communities by taking care of thousands of old vehicles, appliances and household and industrial items. Without the metal recycling industry, these items would end up in the street or in overly crowded landfills. Since this metal recycling processing and export facility is a significant part of the recycling process, without this facility, the scrap metal generated by the Los Angeles Community would have nowhere to go.

**Directors Emeritus** Greg Bombard

California's metal-recycling industry also generates billions of economic activity annually and provides needed tax revenue for the area. Metal-recycling also creates thousands of direct and BGCLB-4 indirect jobs in this community affording families with a good income.

\* Richard Bryson John Dameron Iohn Di Carlo \* Scott Dionne \* Cheryl Fox

On behalf of our members, Boys & Girls Clubs of Long Beach proudly supports the approval of the DSEIR findings of no environmental impact and the 10-year lease extension of the SA Recycling lease.

\* Larry Jackson Fred Jensen Gene Johnson, CPM \* Irv Miller John Morris \* Mitch Rouse

Regards,

Rocky Suares \* John C. Wallace^ Jim Zupanovich

**Chief Executive Officer** 

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Boys & Girls Clubs of Long Beach

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### Response to Comment Letter BGCLB

### Boys and Girls Club - Long Beach

- BGCLB-1 The commenter states the Boy and Girls Club Long Beach (BGCLB) mission and states it was established in 1939. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- BGCLB-2 The comment states the BGCLB represents thirteen club locations and provides a response on the Draft SEIR for the Proposed Project. The comment also states the BCGLB supports the approval of the Draft SEIR and the extension of the Permit, and the BCGLB supports the approval of the Draft SEIR findings of no environmental impact. LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- BGCLB-3 The comment states that the Director of Development and Partnerships toured the facility last year and was impressed with their commitment to their employees, environment and are aware of their contributions to the community both fiscally and with their time and talents. The comment also states this industry is vital to our communities by taking care of thousands of old vehicles and other items, and without metal recycling industry, these items would end up in the street or in overly crowded landfills. The facility is a significant part of the recycling process and without it, the scrap metal generated by the Los Angeles community would have nowhere to go. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- BGCLB-4 The comment states California's metal-recycling industry also generates billions of economic activities annually and provides needed tax revenue for the area. Metal-recycling also creates thousands of direct and indirect jobs in their community affording families with a good income. LAHD acknowledges this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- BGCLB-5 The comment states the BGCLB supports the approval of the Draft SEIR finding of no environmental impact and the 10-year Permit extension of the SA Recycling Permit. LAHD acknowledges this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

# Comment Letter WTC Wilmington Teen Center WILMINGTON TEEN CENTER

612 WEST "E" STREET Wilmington Ca 90744 310 947-5301 cell Hcdcteencenter@gmail.com

January 15, 2023

Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Via Email ceqacomments@portla.org

Re: Response to Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension

Dear Ms. Wunder:

My name is Mike Herrera and I have lived in Wilmington since 1968, where my wife and I have raised three girls. All my career has been in the nonprofit world, and I am currently the Executive Director for the Wilmington Teen Center. Because I live here and my career has been devoted to non-profits, I am aware of the role SA Recycling has played in our community. Their generosity to many non-profits is well known, as is their commitment to our environment.

WTC-1

The mission of our Wilmington Teen Center is to provide quality programs and activities to steer youth away from gangs, drugs and other negative activities and guide them towards setting goals and planning a future so they can become responsible members of our community. We were established as a non-profit in 1968 originally as The Wilmington Teen Post and in the 1980's changed to the Wilmington Teen Center.

WTC-2

In response to the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) published Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SA Recycling's (SA) application to extend its lease at the Port for another 10 years. The Wilmington Teen Center supports the approval of the DSEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's lease for the following reasons:

WTC-3

We agree with the DSEIR that there are no significant environmental impacts by the lease extension. SA has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007 and plans to continue to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the lease extension.

WTC-4

SA Recycling provides important environmental, economic, and societal benefits for our local community and the region. SA recycles over a million tons of metals every year which significantly reduces the amount of material that otherwise could be going to our landfills or be abandoned in our streets and alleys. Instead, the processed metals are shipped overseas or domestically where they become needed steel for newly manufactured products.

WTC-5

These activities clearly add to the economic strength of the Port, the City of Los Angeles, and the region while they also contribute to the environmental stewardship and quality of life in our communities.

WTC-6

Wilmington Teen Center is a subsidiary of the Harbor Community Development Corporation 707 West C Street Wilmington CA 90744 a non-profit 501c3 organization our EIN is 953319301

### WILMINGTON TEEN CENTER

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SA takes seriously its efforts to Go Green, by having in operation an all-electric, emissionreducing mobile crane that has moved five million tons of recycled metals since 2017. The

WTC-6

contd.

company is also continuing to purchase available electric equipment for its operations all of which has significantly reduced emissions at the site.

One of the most important things needed to lift our communities up is good jobs.

- SA employs more than 125 union and non-union workers at Terminal Island
  - Union workers from Local 26 rely on their jobs at SA to put food on the table for their
  - Sa's operations and product related services support the additional indirect employment of 2,319 individuals in the region.
  - SA is committed to providing a safe and positive work environment where several generations of the same family are found working together.
  - One-third of the employees have been with SA for more than 30 years.

Should you have any questions or would like more information about this issue, please contact me at (310) 947 - 5301 or hcdcteencenter@gmail.com.

WTC-7

Sincerely,

Mike Herrera **Executive Director** Wilmington Teen Center

CC: Gene Seroka

Executive Director, Port of Los Angeles

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#### Response to Comment Letter WTC

#### Wilmington Teen Center

- WTC-1 The commenter describes his life-long career in nonprofits, and states that SA Recycling has played a role in the community by being generous to many non-profits. The commenter also states that SA Recycling is well known for having a commitment to the environment. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- WTC-2 The comment states the mission of the Wilmington Teen Center (WTC) is to provide quality programs and activities to steer youth away from gangs, drugs and other negative activities and guide them towards setting goals and planning a future so they can become responsible members of our community. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- WTC-3 The Wilmington Teen Center supports the approval of the Draft SEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's Permit. LAHD acknowledges this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- WTC-4 The comment mentions WTC agrees with the Draft SEIR that there are no significant environmental impacts by the Permit extension. The comment also states that SA Recycling has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007, and plans to continue to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the Permit extension. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- WTC-5 The comment states that SA Recycling provides important environmental, economic, and societal benefits for our local community and the region by recycling over a million tons of metals every year, which significantly reduces the amount of material that otherwise could be going to our landfills or be abandoned in our streets and alleys. Instead, the processed metals are shipped overseas or domestically where they become needed steel for newly manufactured products. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

- WTC-6 The comment mentions SA Recycling's activities clearly add to the economic strength of the Port, the City of Los Angeles, and the region, while they also contribute to the environmental stewardship and quality of life in our communities. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- WTC-7 The comment states SA Recycling is respected for being one of the best employers in the region. SA employs more than 125 union and non-union workers at Terminal Island, and their operations and product related services support the additional indirect employment of 2,319 individuals in the region. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- WTC-8 The comment states that LAHD should contact them if it has any questions or would like more information about this issue and provides contact information. LAHD acknowledges this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

# Comment Letter PCLA/LB Propeller Club of Los Angeles/Long Beach

January 15, 2024

Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Via Email cegacomments@portla.org

Re: Response to Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension

Dear Ms. Wunder:

We have recently noticed that the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) has published the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SA Recycling's (SA) application to extend its lease at the Port for another ten years. The Los Angeles / Long Beach Propeller Club strongly supports the approval of the DSEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's lease for the following reasons:

PCLA/LB-1

We agree with the DSEIR that there are no significant environmental impacts by the lease extension. SA has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007 and plans on continuing to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the lease extension.

PCLA/LB-2

SA Recycling provides essential environmental, economic, and societal benefits for our local community and the region. SA recycles over a million tons of metals every year, significantly reducing the amount of material that could otherwise be going to our landfills or abandoned in our streets and alleys. Instead, the processed metals are shipped overseas or domestically, where they become needed steel for newly manufactured products. These activities add to the economic strength of the Port, the City of Los Angeles, and the region while contributing to the environmental stewardship and quality of life in our communities.

PCLA/LB-3

SA is respected for being one of the best employers in the region. However, what makes SA a uniquely important company is that it is an employer of predominately minority individuals. SA not only provides good-paying jobs but also nurtures careers in the industry. The Company provides training for its employees to become operators of heavy machinery, welders, mechanics, and other skilled workers and offers steady employment at good wages and upward professional mobility. Most of the over 130 employees live in the area and have families who contribute to the vitality of our local communities. Many employees who work directly at SA have been working at the site for 2 or 3 generations. In addition, the many indirect jobs the Company's recycling activities generate and sustain are primarily from underserved communities.

PCLA/LB-4

SA and its employees have also been active participants, partners, and supporters of our community activities and organizations. In addition to SA's participation in the community, its personnel are our neighbors, our colleagues on non-profit boards, and organizations who partner with and organize community events alongside our residents. They are always one of the first to offer assistance when help is needed. In doing so, SA, with its investment and direct involvement in our communities, serves as an example of what it means to be a responsible company.

PCLA/LB-5

The Los Angeles-Long Beach Propeller Club was chartered on July 28, 1939, and has been the leading maritime organization in the Los Angeles-Long Beach area. This chapter is part of the Pacific Coast Region of the Propeller Club of the United States.

PCLA/LB-6

Should you have any questions or want more information about this issue, please get in touch with me at <a href="mailto:sue@shey-harding.com">sue@shey-harding.com</a> or (562) 252-8516.

Sincerely,

Susan Shey Dvonch | Partner **Shey-Harding Executive Search** 

CC: Gene Seroka

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Moises Figueroa Regional General Manager, SA Recycling mfigueroa@sarecycling.com

#### Response to Comment Letter PCLA/LB

#### Propeller Club of Los Angeles/Long Beach

- PCLA/LB -1 The commenter states that the Port of Los Angeles has published the Draft SEIR for SA Recycling's application to extend its Permit at the Port for another ten years. The Propeller Club of LA/Long Beach (PCLA/LB) strongly supports the approval of the Draft SEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's Permit. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- PCLA/LB -2 The comment agrees with the Draft SEIR that there are no significant environmental impacts by the Permit extension. The comment also states that SA Recycling has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007, and plans to continue to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the Permit extension. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- PCLA/LB-3 The comment describes that SA Recycling provides essential environmental, economic, and societal benefits for our local community and the region by recycling over a million tons of metals every year, which significantly reduces the amount of material that could otherwise be going to our landfills or abandoned in our streets and alleys. Instead, the processed metals are shipped overseas or domestically, where they become needed steel for newly manufactured products. These activities add to the economic strength of the Port, the City of Los Angeles, and the region while contributing to the environmental stewardship and quality of life in our communities. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- PCLA/LB -4 The comment states that SA Recycling is respected for being one of the best employers in the region and is unique in that the company predominately employs minority individuals. The comment also states that SA Recycling not only provides good-paying jobs but also nurtures careers in the industry and the company provides training for its employees to become operators of heavy machinery, welders, mechanics, and other skilled workers and offers steady employment at good wages and upward professional mobility. The comment additionally states that most of the over 130 employees live in the area and have families who contribute to the vitality of our local communities, and that many employees who work directly at SA Recycling have been working at the site for 2 or 3 generations. In addition, many indirect jobs the Company's recycling

activities generate and sustain are primarily for underserved communities. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

- PCLA/LB -5 The comment states SA Recycling and its employees have also been active participants, partners, and supporters of community activities and organizations. In addition to SA's participation in the community, its personnel are neighbors and colleagues on non-profit boards and organizations who partner with and organize community events alongside our residents. The SA Recycling employees are always one of the first to offer assistance when help is needed, and in doing so, provide investment and direct involvement in our communities. The comment also states that the company serves as an example of what it means to be a responsible company. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- PCLA/LB -6 The comment mentions PCLA/LB was chartered on July 28, 1939, and has been the leading maritime organization in the Los Angeles-Long Beach area. This chapter is part of the Pacific Coast Region of the Propeller Club of the United States. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration
- PCLA/LB -7 The comment suggests that LAHD contact PCLA/LB if there are questions or if more information is wanted and provides their contact information. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

# Comment Letter WYSC Wilmington Youth Sailing Center



## Sail LA / Wilmington Youth Sailing

Berth 203 #9 • Wilmington, CA 90744 • 310 549-8111 • Fax 310 549-5818

January 2024

Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Via Email: cegacomments@portla.org

Re: Response to Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension

Dear Ms. Wunder:

I trust this letter finds you well, I am writing to express our support for the 10-year lease extension agreement for SA Recycling (SA) and to convey our satisfaction with the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) has addressed all relevant environmental issues and found no negative environmental impacts.

WYSC-1

SA's presence at Berth 210-211 has been a significant contributor to our local economy and has played a pivotal role in improving our environment. SA has diverted of millions of tons of material from landfills for recycling not only reduces manufacturing costs but also conserves resources leading to cleaner air and water for our communities. SA Recycling's proactive stance on environmental consciousness goes beyond compliance, demonstrating a dedication to sustainable practices.

WYSC-2

SA Recycling's commitment to the communities they serve is exemplified by their partnerships with more than forty different organizations. Their contribution, both in terms of financial support and active participation, underscore their dedication to fostering a positive environment for everyone.

WYSC-3

SA Recycling's proactive stance on environmental protection is commendable. As a leader in the industry, they consistently enhance their Best Management Practices to remain at the forefront of the industry. Their utilization of extensive dust control systems, sprinkler systems, water trucks and water recycling demonstrate their commitment to maintaining a sustainable and eco-friendly facility.

WYSC-4

SA Recycling's multifaceted approach to Environmental stewardship and community engagement makes them a standout partner in our region. We wholeheartedly support their endeavors and look forward to their continued success in the Port of Los Angeles.

WYSC-5

Robert McKoy

Robert McKoy President, Sail LA / Wilmington Youth Sailing. robert@sailla.org. Cell 949-375-1814

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#### Response to Comment Letter WYSC

#### Wilmington Youth Sailing Center

- WYSC-1 The comment express the Wilmington Youth Sailing Center (WYSC) support for the 10-year Permit extension agreement for SA Recycling and to convey satisfaction with the Draft SEIR has addressed all relevant environmental issues and found no negative environmental impacts. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- WYSC-2 The comments states that SA Recycling's presence at Berth 210-211 has been a significant contributor to the local economy and has played a pivotal role in improving the environment. The commenter states that SA Recycling has diverted millions of tons of material from landfills for recycling not only reduces manufacturing costs but also conserves resources leading to cleaner air and water for our communities. The comment also states that SA Recycling's proactive stance on environmental consciousness goes beyond compliance, demonstrating a dedication to sustainable practices. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- WYSC-3 The comment states that SA Recycling's commitment to the communities they serve is exemplified by their partnerships with more than forty different organizations. Their contribution, both in terms of financial support and active participation, underscore their dedication to fostering a positive environment for everyone. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- WYSC-4 This comment states that SA Recycling's proactive stance on environmental protection is commendable and that, as a leader in the industry, they consistently enhance their Best Management Practices to remain at the forefront of the industry. The comment also states that their utilization of extensive dust control systems, sprinkler systems, water trucks and water recycling demonstrate their commitment to maintaining a sustainable and eco-friendly facility. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- WYSC-5 The comment states SA Recycling's multifaceted approach to Environmental stewardship and community engagement makes them a standout partner in our region and that the WYSC wholeheartedly supports their endeavors and look forward to their continued success in the Port of Los Angles. LAHD acknowledges these comments and

will include them in the record for the Proposed Project Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.



### Comment Letter YMCA YMCA of Wilmington and Gardena-Carson FOR HEALTHY LIVING

FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT® FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

January 19, 2024

Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department **Environmental Management Division** 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Via Email cegacomments@portla.org

Re: Response to Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension

Dear Ms. Wunder:

The Y actively promotes a culture free from bias and injustice. We are dedicated to removing institutional and systemic barriers that result in oppression and racism. We will be accountable to marginalized communities for creating equitable and sustainable environments where social justice is woven into every facet of our programs, and by caring for our communities in a culturally versatile and respectful manner. I YMCA-1 have had the opportunity to tour the SA Recycling facility and witness their involvement and generosity to our community and believe SA Recycling shares our vision based on how they value their workforce (largely minority), implementation of green technology, and where they have invested their time, talents and dollars for the benefit of our communities.

In response to the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) published Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SA Recycling's (SA) application to extend its lease at the Port for another 10 years, Our YMCAs YMCA-2 supports the approval of the DSEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's lease and further agree with the DSEIR that there are no significant environmental impacts by the lease extension.

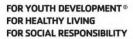
- Did you know Using recycled metals to make new steel decreases greenhouse gases by up to 80%
- YMCA-3 Did you know that Just one recycled car saves the equivalent of 450 gallons of gasoline, 2,500 pounds of iron ore and 1,400 pounds of coal, and 120 lbs. of limestone and SA recycles 400 -500 cars a day!

On behalf of our members, our YMCAs supports the approval of the DSEIR and lease extension for SAYMCA-4 Recycling.

Sincerely.

DeLaTorre Regional VP

Wilmington and Gardena-Carson YMCAs





CC: Gene Seroka Executive Director, Port of Los Angeles gseroka@portla.org

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#### Response to Comment Letter YMCA

#### YMCA of Wilmington and Gardena-Carson

- YMCA-1 The comment states the YMCA of Wilmington and Gardena-Carson (YMCA) actively promotes a culture free from bias and injustice and they are dedicated to removing institutional and systemic barriers that result in oppression and racism. The commenter states they YMCA will be accountable to marginalized communities for creating equitable and sustainable environments where social justice is woven into every facet of our programs, and by caring for our communities in a culturally versatile and respectful manner. The commenter has had the opportunity to tour the SA Recycling facility and witnessed their involvement and generosity to our community. The commenter believe SA Recycling shares the YMCA's vision based on how they value their workforce (largely minority), implementation of green technology, and where they have invested their time, talents and dollars for the benefit of our communities. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- YMCA-2 The comment states in response to the Port of Los Angeles published Draft SEIR for SA Recycling's application to extend its Permit at the Port for another 10 years, the YMCA supports the approval of the Draft SEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's Permit. The comment also states that the YMCA agrees with the Draft SEIR that there are no significant environmental impacts by the Permit extension. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- YMCA-3 The comment asks if LAHD knew that using recycled metals to make new steel decreases greenhouse gases by up to 80%. The comment also asks if LAHD knew that just one recycled car saves the equivalent of 450 gallons of gasoline, 2,500 pounds of iron ore and 1,400 pounds of coal, and 120 lbs. of limestone, and SA Recycling recycles 400 500 cars a day. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- YMCA-4 The comment states that on behalf of its members, the YMCA supports the approval of the Draft SEIR and Permit extension for SA Recycling. LAHD acknowledges this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

### Comment Letter BH Beacon House

From: Archie Hoggan
To: Cegacomments

Cc: Commissioners; gene\_seroka@pola.org; Moises Figueroa (35151 Los Angeles-Terminal Island); Dan Hoffman

Subject: SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750 Project

**Date:** Friday, January 19, 2024 12:03:02 PM

Attachments: SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750 Project Beacon House Support fy.pdf

Importance: High

Dear Ms. Wunder,

I hope this email finds you well.

Please find The Beacon House Association of San Pedro's letter of support of SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750 Project. A hardcopy was also mailed out yesterday.

On behalf of the Beacon House organization, we support SA Recycling's request. Please let me know if you have any questions, concerns, or would like to discuss further.

Warm Regards,

Archie Hoggan
Executive Director
The Beacon House Association of San Pedro

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### Comment Letter BH Beacon House



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January 8, 2024

Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Via Email ceqacomments@portla.org

Re: Response to <u>Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension</u>

Dear Ms. Wunder:

Established in 1970, The mission of The Beacon House Association of San Pedro is to help men achieve recovery from alcoholism and addiction to other drugs.	BH-1
On behalf of the Beacon House Association of San Pedro, this is in response to the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) published Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SA Recycling's (SA) application to extend its lease at the Port for another 10 years. The Beacon House Association of San Pedro supports the approval of the DSEIR and SA Recycling's lease extension and agree with the DSEIR findings of no environmental impact.	BH-2
SA has a positive ripple effect on the greater LA environment by diverting millions of tons of scrap per year from landfills, SA provides cleaner air and water for its residents. Using recycled metals to make new steel decreases greenhouse gases by up to 80%	BH-3
From an economic perspective, SA provides employment for union and non-union employees. A third of SA's employees have been with the company for over 30 years. SA provides over 3,000 jobs with livable wages for Southern California families.	BH-4
SA is also an example of an exemplary corporate citizen. SA is a pilar for the Southern California Community. SA supports over fifty organizations throughout the Harbor and South Bay such as the Beacon House, and without SA's support local non-profits could not accomplish their missions.	ВН-5
The Beacon House Association of San Pedro agree with the DSEIR findings of no environmental impact and supports the approval of the DSEIR and extension of the SA Recycling lease.	вн-6

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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#### Response to Comment Letter BH

#### **Beacon House**

- BH-1 The comment states Beacon House Association of San Pedro (BH) was established in 1970 and provides the mission of BH to help men achieve recovery from alcoholism and addition to other drugs. LAHD acknowledges this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- BH-2 The comment states that on behalf of BH, this is in response to the Port of Los Angeles's published Draft SEIR for SA Recycling's application to extend its Permit at the Port for another 10 years and that BH supports the approval of the Draft SEIR and SA Recycling's Permit extension. The comment also states that BH agrees with the Draft SEIR's findings of no significant impact. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- BH-3 The comment states that SA Recycling has a positive ripple effect on the greater LA environment by diverting millions of tons of scrap per year from landfills, SA provides cleaner air and water for its residents. The comment also says that using recycled metals to make new steel decreases greenhouse gases by up to 80 percent. LAHD acknowledges this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- BH-4 The comment states that from an economic perspective, SA Recycling provides employment for union and non-union employees. The comment also states that a third of SA Recycling's employees have been with the company for over 30 years, and SA Recycling provides over 3,000 jobs with livable wages for Southern California families. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- BH-5 The comment states SA Recycling is also an exemplary corporate citizen, as it is a pillar for the Southern California Community. The comment also states that SA Recycling supports over fifty organizations throughout the Harbor and South Bay such as the BH, and without the company's support, local non-profits could not accomplish their missions. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- BH-6 The comment states BH agrees with the Draft SEIR findings of no environmental impact and supports the approval of the Draft SEIR and the extension of the SA

Recycling Permit. LAHD acknowledges this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

# Comment Letter WCC Wilmington Chamber of Commerce



544 N. Avalon Blvd., Suite 104, Wilmington, CA 90744

January 17, 2024

Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Via Email cegacomments@portla.org

Re: Response to Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension

#### Dear Ms. Wunder:

The mission of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce is to promote and support business and improve the quality of life in the Wilmington Community and has been serving Business and our Community since 1904  This is in response to the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) published Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SA Recycling's (SA) application to extend its lease at the Port for another 10 years. Our Wilmington Chamber agrees with the findings of the DSEIR of no environmental impact and supports the ten-year extension of SA Recycling's lease.  SA has been a valuable port tenant operating this state-of-the-art facility and an integral part of the Port community since 2007. I have had the opportunity to tour this facility and was impressed with their commitment to their employees, environment, and our surrounding communities.  The recycled materials shipped by SA ranks as the #2 export from the Port of Los Angeles and provides a significant contribution to the port and state's global trade. The metal recycling industry is vital to the Los Angeles Community by taking care of the thousands of old vehicles, household, and industrial items. Without the metal recycling industry, these items would end up in the street or in overly crowded landfills.  California's metal-recycling industry also generates billions of economic activities annually and provides much needed tax revenue for the area. Metal-recycling provides thousands of direct and indirect jobs affording many families with a good income. One-third of SA Recycling's employees have been with the company for 30 years or more.  SA Recycling has set the bar for what it means to be a good corporate citizen by contributing heavily to numerous local community projects, organizations, and with their time and talent. At a time when our state is facing a host of major public policy challenges from a serious budget shortfall to the lack of affordable housing, we must do all that we can to keep essential businesses like SA Recycling at the Port of Los Angele		•
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On behalf of our members and Board of Directors the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce agrees with the DSEIR findings of no environmental impact and supports the ten-year extension of the SA Recycling lease.

WCC-7

Sincerely,

Monica Garcia, Chief Executive Officer Wilmington Chamber of Commerce Monica.Garcia@WilmingtonChamber.com

CC: Gene Seroka Executive Director, Port of Los Angeles gseroka@portla.org

Board of Harbor Commissioners (BOHC) <a href="mailto:commissioners@portla.org">commissioners@portla.org</a>

Moises Figueroa General Regional Manager, SA Recycling mfigueroa@sarecycling.com

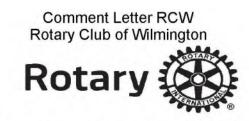
#### Response to Comment Letter WCC

#### Wilmington Chamber of Commerce

- WCC-1 The commenter provides the mission of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce (WCC) is to promote and support business and improve the quality of life in the Wilmington Community and relays that the WCC has been serving the business community since 1904. The comment is informative and does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- WCC-2 The comment states this is a response to the Port of Los Angeles published Draft SEIR for the Proposed Project application to extend its Permit at the Port for another 10 years. The comment states the WCC agrees with the findings of the Draft SEIR of no environmental impact, and supports the 10-year extension of the Permit. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- WCC-3 The comment states that SA Recycling has been a valuable port tenant operating this state-of-the-art facility and an integral part of the Port community since 2007. The commenter states they have had the opportunity to tour this facility and was impressed with their commitment to their employees, environment, and the surrounding communities. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- WCC-4 The comment states that recycled materials shipped by SA Recycling ranks as the #2 export from the Port of Los Angeles and provides a significant contribution to the Port and state's global trade. The comment also states the metal recycling industry is vital to the Los Angeles Community by taking care of the thousands of old vehicles, household, and industrial items. The comment also states that without the metal recycling industry, these items would end up in the street or in overly crowded landfills. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- WCC-5 The comment states that California's metal-recycling industry generates billions of economic activities annually and provides much needed tax revenue for the area. Metal-recycling provides thousands of direct and indirect jobs affording many families with a good income. The comment also states that one-third of SA Recycling's employees have been with the company for 30 years or more. LAHD acknowledges these

comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

- WCC-6 The comment states SA Recycling has set the bar for what it means to be a good corporate citizen by contributing heavily to numerous local community projects, organizations, and with their time and talent. At a time when our state is facing a host of major public policy challenges from a serious budget shortfall to the lack of affordable housing, we must do all that we can to keep essential businesses like SA Recycling at the Port of Los Angeles. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- WCC-7 The comment is conclusionary in nature and states on behalf of the Board of Directors of the WCC they agree with the Draft SEIR findings of no environmental impact and supports the 10-year extension of the SA Recycling Permit. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.



Club of Wilmington, PO Box 8, Wilmington CA 90744

January 22, 2024

Ms. Lisa Wunder, Environmental Management Division Los Angeles Harbor Department 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Via Email cegacomments@portla.org

Re: Response to <u>Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension</u>

The Rotary Club of Wilmington has been in existence since 1928 and its mission is to serve the Wilmington community. The club members are local business and community leaders who work each day to improve the lives of women, children, and families in our area. To accomplish our mission, we rely on the support of the local business community. One of our biggest supporters is SA Recycling and its President, Mr. Moses Figueroa. For many years we have received the support of SA Recycling for our many events and activities organized for the benefit of Wilmington citizens.

RCW-1

We support the 10-year lease extension agreement for SA and are satisfied that the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) has addressed all the relevant environmental issues and found no negative environmental impacts.

RCW-2

The recycling services provided by SA benefit disadvantaged neighborhoods. Older vehicles and appliances make up much of the metals recycled by SA, but without the opportunity to recycle these items, unrecycled washers, dryers, ovens, and water heaters could litter our streets. This business is crucial for a better environment and critical to Los Angeles efforts to reduce its carbon footprint. Litter is a big problem in Wilmington and our club members support any and all efforts to combat this issue.

RCW-3

As the City of Los Angeles looks for ways to process more than 100 confiscated RVs that are impounded from city streets, a recycling facility like SA is the best way to make sure those RVs are removed from city impound lots and kept out of landfills.

RCW-4

#### Letter Supporting SA Recycling Lease Extension

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Should you have any questions or would like more information about this issue, please contact me at 310.971.3074 or by email at <a href="mailto:amac1808@gmail.com">amac1808@gmail.com</a>,

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Sincerely,

## Cristian Amaya

Cristian Amaya, President Rotary Club of Wilmington

CC: Gene Seroka

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Moises Figueroa Regional General Manager, SA Recycling <u>mfigueroa@sarecycling.com</u>

#### Response to Comment Letter RCW

#### Rotary Club of Wilmington

- .RCW-1 The comment states the Rotary Club of Wilmington (RCW) has been in existence since 1928 and its mission is to serve the Wilmington community. The club members are local business and community leaders who work each day to improve the lives of women, children, and families in the area. The comment also states to accomplish the RCW mission, the RCW relies on the support of the local business community, and one of their biggest supporters is SA Recycling and its President, Mr. Moses Figueroa. For many years RCW has received the support of SA Recycling for our many events and activities organized for the benefit of Wilmington citizens. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- RCW-2 The comments states RCW supports the 10-year Permit extension agreement for SA Recycling and are satisfied that the Draft SEIR has addressed all the relevant environmental issues and found no negative environmental impacts. LAHD acknowledges this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- RCW-3 The comment states recycling services provided by SA Recycling benefit disadvantaged neighborhoods as older vehicles and appliances make up much of the metals recycled by SA Recycling, but without the opportunity to recycle these items, unrecycled washers, dryers, ovens, and water heaters could litter our streets. The comment also states this business is crucial for a better environment and critical to Los Angeles efforts to reduce its carbon footprint as litter is a big problem in Wilmington and our club members support any and all efforts to combat this issue. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- RCW-4 This comment states that as the City of Los Angeles looks for ways to process more than 100 confiscated RVs that are impounded from city streets, a recycling facility like SA Recycling is the best way to make sure those RVs are removed from city impound lots and kept out of landfills. LAHD acknowledges this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- RCW-5 The comment states that should LAHD have any questions or would like information about this issue to please contact RCW and provides their contact information. The comment is conclusionary in nature and does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy

of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.

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SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750 Project Final SEIR

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## Comment Letter SP&PS Saints Peter and Paul School



January 25, 2024

Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Via Email ceqacomments@portla.org

Re: Response to <u>Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension</u>

On behalf of Saints Peter and Paul School, representing our students who will be the leaders of tomorrow, faculty and staff, this is in response to the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) published Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SA Recycling's (SA) application to extend its lease at the Port for another 10 years. We agree with the findings of the DSEIR of no environmental impact and support the ten-year extension of SA Recycling's lease.

The recycling services provided by SA benefit disadvantaged neighborhoods. Older vehicles and appliances make up much of the metals recycled by SA, but without the opportunity to recycle these items, unrecycled washers, dryers, ovens, and water heaters would litter our streets. This business is crucial for a better environment and critical to Los Angeles efforts to reduce its carbon footprint. Using recycled metals to make new steel decreases greenhouse gases by up to 80%

SA takes seriously its efforts to Go Green, by having in operation an all-electric, emission-reducing mobile crane that has moved five million tons of recycled metals since 2017. The company is also continuing to purchase available electric equipment for its operations all of which has significantly reduced emissions at the site.

This facility supports more than fifty organizations throughout the Harbor and South Bay, not just financially. (about \$280,000 in 2022), but with its employee participation as well.

On behalf of our members, Saints Peter, and Paul School we support the 10-year lease extension agreement for SA and are satisfied that the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) has addressed all the relevant environmental issues and found no negative environmental impacts.

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Sincerely,

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Nancy Kuria, Principal Saints Peter and Paul School Nkuria@sppschool.org

CC: Gene Seroka

Executive Director, Port of Los Angeles gseroka@portla.org

Board of Harbor Commissioners (BOHC) commissioners@portla.org

Moises Figueroa Regional General Manager, SA Recycling mfigueroa@sarecycling.com

#### Response to Comment Letter SP&PS

#### Saints Peter and Paul School

- SP&PS-1 The comment is on behalf of Saints Peter and Paul School (SP&PS), which represents their students, who will be the leaders of tomorrow, faculty and staff. The SG&PS received the Port of Los Angeles published Draft SEIR for Proposed Project application to extend its Permit at the Port for another 10 years. The commenter agrees with the findings of the Draft SEIR of no environmental impact, and supports the ten-year extension of SA Recycling's Permit. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- SP&PS-2 The comment states the recycling services provided by SA Recycling benefit disadvantaged neighborhoods. Older vehicles and appliances make up much of the metals recycled by SA, but without the opportunity to recycle these items, unrecycled washers, dryers, ovens, and water heaters would litter the streets. The comment also states that this business is crucial for a better environment and critical to Los Angeles' efforts to reduce its carbon footprint by using recycled metals to make new steel, which decreases greenhouse gases by up to 80 percent. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- SP&PS-3 The comment states that SA Recycling takes seriously its efforts to Go Green, by having in operation an all-electric, emission-reducing, mobile crane that has moved five million tons of recycled metals since 2017. The comment also states that the company has also continued to purchase available electric equipment for its operations, which has significantly reduced emissions at the site. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- SP&PS-4 This comment states this facility supports more than fifty organizations throughout the Harbor and South Bay, not just financially (about \$280,000 in 2022), but with its employee participation as well. LAHD acknowledges this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- SP&PS-5 The comment states on behalf of the SP&PS members, SP&PS supports the 10-year Permit extension agreement for SA Recycling and is satisfied that the Draft SEIR has addressed all the relevant environmental issues and found no negative environmental

impacts. LAHD acknowledges this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.



### Comment Letter SF Sharefest



January 31st, 2024

Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division 425 S. Palos Verdes Street SanPedro, CA 90731

Via Email cciiacoimnenism ooitla.oig

CC: Los Angeles Harbor Commissioners SA Recycling

Re: Response to <u>Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease</u> Extension

Dear Ms. Wunder:

We've received the notice that the Port of Los Angeles'(POLA) has published the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SA Recycling's (SA) application to extend its lease at the Port for another 10 years.

Sharefest is an organization focused on giving youth facing significant banners the skills, support, and connections they need to achieve economic success in their futures. Having worked alongside SA Recycling in the community and understanding the economic impact of their industry as well as the workforce they support locally, we strongly support the approval of the DSEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's lease.

We agree with the DSEIR that there are no significant environmental impacts by the lease extension. SA has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007 and plans on continuing to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the lease extension.

Beyond the usual business industry contributions and leadership, SA Recycling is one of the few businesses that truly contribute meaningfully to our community. SA and its employees are active participants, partners, and supporters of many of our community activities and organizations, including Sharefest.

SA Recycling has invested in Sharefest since 2010, and their partnership goes beyond financial support. SA Recycling has been a leader in the community and has proven its devotion to positively impacting the local youth. Through speaking engagements, field trips, and internship opportunities; our students were provided with resources they normally do not have access to. Providing them with first-hand information on possible career pathways that could transform their lives. Additionally, Regional General Manager Moises Figueroa has served on our board of directors since 2020, committing time and resources to the betterment of the youth we serve. SA's involvement in our organization goes above and beyond providing our students with the knowledge to take steps in transforming their futures.

We were able to place a student in an internship program at SA Recycling at the Port of Los Angeles just this past summer. It was a great example for the students we serve to see that there are companies out there that take care of their employees and nurture upward mobility and careers. And most importantly for the

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constituency we serve, they must see people like them in the workforce at all levels. SA Recycling served as a reflection for our students and allowed them to hope for their futures.	SF-6 contd.
SA recycles over a million tons of metals every year which significantly reduces the amount of material that otherwise could be going to our landfills or be abandoned in our streets and alleys. These activities add to the economic strength of the Port, the City of Los Angeles, and the region while they also contribute to the environmental stewardship and quality of life in our communities.	SF-7
Respectfully, we strongly urge for the quick approval of this DEIR and SA's 10-year lease extension.	SF-8
Should you have any questions or would like more information about this issue, please contact me Chad Mayer at chad@sharefestinc.org.	SF-9

Sincerely,

**Chad Mayer** *Executive Director Sharefest Community Development* 

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#### Response to Comment Letter SF

#### Sharefest

- SF-1 The comment states Sharefest (SF) received notice the Port of Los Angeles has published the Draft SEIR for SA Recycling's application to extend its Permit at the Port for another 10 years. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- SF-2 The commenter states SF is an organization focused on giving youth facing significant barriers the skills, support and connections they need to achieve economic success in their futures, and that working alongside SA Recycling in the community and understanding the economic impact of their industry as well as the workforce they support, SF strongly supports the approval of the Draft SEIR and the extension of the Permit. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- SF-3 The comment states SF agrees with the Draft SEIR that there are no significant environmental impacts by the Permit extension. The comment also states that SA Recycling has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007, and plans to continue to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the Permit extension. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- SF-4 The comment states beyond the usual business industry contributions and leadership, SA Recycling is one of the few businesses that truly contributes meaningfully to the community. The comment also states that SA Recycling and its employees are active participants, partners, and supporters of many of our community activities and organizations, including SF. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- SF-5 The comment states that SA Recycling invested in SF since 2010, and their partnership goes beyond financial support as SA Recycling has been a leader in the community and has proven its devotion to positivity impacting the local youth. The comments states that SA Recycling has provided SF students access to resources they normally would not have access to through speaking engagements, field trips, and internship opportunities. This first-hand information provides possible career pathways that could

transform students' lives. The comment also says that the SA Recycling's Regional Manager has served on the SF board of directors since 2020, committing time and resources to the betterment of the youth SF serves, and SA's involvement in the SF organization goes above and beyond providing students with the knowledge to take steps in transforming their futures. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

- SF-6 The comment states that SF was able to place an internship program at SA Recycling at the Port of Los Angeles just this past summer, and it was a great example for the students they serve to see that there are companies out there that take care of their employees that nurture upward mobility and careers. The comment states that most important for the SF constituency, they must see people that are like them in the workforce at all levels, and SA Recycling serves as a reflection for the students that allows them to hope for their futures. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- SF-7 The comment states SA Recycling recycles over a million tons of metals every year which significantly reduces the amount of material that otherwise could be going to our landfills or be abandoned in the streets and alleys. The comment also states these activities add to the economic strength of the Port, the City of Los Angeles, and the region while also contributing to the environmental stewardship and quality of life in our communities. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- SF-8 The comment states respectfully, SF strongly agrees for the quick approval of this Draft SEIR and SA Recycling's 10-year Permit extension. LAHD acknowledges this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- SF-9 The comment states should LAHD have any questions or would like more information about this issue, to contact SF and provides the contact information. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.









# Comment Letter GVF Grand Vision Foundation

February 1, 2024

Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Re: Response to <u>Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension</u>

Dear Ms. Wunder:	
We've received the notice that the Port of Los Angeles' (POLA) has published the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SA Recycling's (SA) application to extend its lease at the Port for another 10 years.	GVF-1
Grand Vision Foundation has been one of the anchor non-profits in the Harbor area servicing our community through the arts since 1996. We not only focus on preserving and restoring the historic Warner Grand Theatre, our in-school music education program Meet the Music brings a high-quality music curriculum to some of our most underserved communities.	GVF-2
Having worked alongside SA Recycling in the community for many years and understanding the economic impact of their industry as well as the workforce they support locally, we strongly support the approval of the DSEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's lease.	GVF-3
The DSEIR supports that there are no significant environmental impacts by the lease extension. SA has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007 and plans on continuing to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the lease extension.	GVF-4
Beyond the usual business industry contributions and leadership, SA Recycling is one of the few businesses that truly contribute meaningfully in our community. SA and its employees are active participants, partners, and supporters of many of our community activities and organizations, including our organization.	GVF-5
SA Recycling employees maintain a close relationship with the community by always making sure they are there in-person to support organizations in the Harbor Area. Moises Figueroa and his staff have never hesitated to lend a hand when we have reached out to them. For almost two decades, SA Recycling has always shown up in full support at Grand Vision events. Their dedication to the community is truly outstanding.	GVF-6

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SA recycles over a million tons of metals every year which significantly reduces the amount of material that otherwise could be going to our landfills or be abandoned in our streets and alleys. These activities clearly add to the economic strength of the Port, the City of Los Angeles, and the region while they also contribute to the environmental stewardship and quality of life in our communities.

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Respectfully, we strongly urge for the quick approval of this DSEIR and SA's 10 year lease extension.

GVF-8

Sincerely,

Liz Johnson

Executive Director
Grand Vision Foundation

Tax ID 95-4554570

CC: Los Angeles Harbor Board of Commissioners

SA Recycling

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#### Response to Comment Letter GVF

#### **Grand Vision Foundation**

- GVF-1 The commenter notes it has received the notice that the Port of Los Angeles has published the Draft SEIR for SA Recycling's application to extend its Permit at the Port for another 10 years. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- GVF-2 The comment states that Grand Vision Foundation (GVF) has been one of the anchor non-profits in the Harbor area servicing our community through the arts since 1996. They not only focus on preserving and restoring the historic Warner Grand Theatre, but their in-school music education program Meet the Music brings a high-quality music curriculum to some of our most underserved communities. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- GVF-3 The comment mentions having worked alongside SA Recycling in the community for many years and understanding the economic impact of their industry as well as the workforce they support locally, GVF strongly supports the approval of the Draft SEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's Permit. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- GVF-4 The comment summarizes that the Draft SEIR supports that there are no significant environmental impacts by the Permit extension. The comment also states SA Recycling has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007, and plans on continuing to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the Permit extension. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- GVF-5 The comment states beyond the usual business industry contributions and leadership, SA Recycling is one of the few businesses that truly contribute meaningfully to the community. SA and its employees are active participants, partners, and supporters of many of the community activities and organizations, including our organization. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

- GVF-6 The comment describes SA Recycling employees maintain a close relationship with the community by always making sure they are there in-person to support organizations in the Harbor Area. Moises Figueroa and his staff have never hesitated to lend a hand when GVF has reached out to them. For almost two decades, SA Recycling has always shown up in full support at GVF events, and their dedication to the community is truly outstanding. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- GVF-7 The comment mentions SA recycles over a million tons of metals every year, which significantly reduces the amount of material that otherwise could be going to our landfills or be abandoned in our streets and alleys. These activities add to the economic strength of the Port, the City of Los Angeles, and the region while they also contribute to the environmental stewardship and quality of life in our communities. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- GVF-8 The comment states that GVF strongly urges the quick approval of this Draft SEIR and SA Recycling's 10 year Permit extension. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

## Comment Letter KP&A **KP Fitter and Associates**

KP Fitter Marine Surveyors From:

To: <u>Cegacomments</u>

Cc: gseroka@portla.org: Commissioners: mfigueroa@sarecyding.com: Fitter & Associates. Inc. (KFitter@aol.com):

KP Fitter Marine Surveyors

Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension / Support From KPF Office Subject:

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LOS ANGELES HARBOR DEPARTMENT TO:

ATTN: MS. LISA WUNDER, Environmental Management Division

PORT OF LOS ANGELES / MR. GENE SEROKA, Executive Director

BOARD OF HARBOR COMMISIONERS (BOHC) CC:

CC: SA RECYLING / MR. MOISES FIGUEROA, Regional General Manager

#### FROM: K.P. FITTER & ASSOCIATES, INC. / CAPT. KHUSH FITTER

SUBJECT:

SA RECYLING SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT LEASE EXTENSION SUPPORT FROM KPF OFFICE

#### Dear Ms. Wunder,

Good day, and hope all is well.

Please be advised that it is with great honor for reaching out to your great organization in support of approval of the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SA Recycling's application to extend its lease at the Port for another 10 years.

For your guidance, please note that KPF Office has worked with and on behalf of SA Recycling for many years and we strongly support the lease extension for their continued operation within the Port of Los Angeles.

In lieu of above, it is a privilege that we extend our support of same and are attaching our formal letter issued to the Los Angeles Harbor Department, respectfully.

Thanks for your kind attention and support, and should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact our office.

KP&A-1

#### Sincerely,

Capt. Khush Fitter

President / CEO

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January 31, 2024

Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro. CA 90731

Via Email cegacomments@portla.org

Re: Response to Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension

Dear Ms. Wunder:

On behalf of the undersigned organizations, who collectively represent thousands of businesses from a number of industries across our region, we strongly support the approval of the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SA Recycling's (SA) application to extend its lease at the Port for another 10 years.

KP&A-4

We agree with the DSEIR that there are no significant environmental impacts by the lease extension. SA has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007 and plans to continue to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the lease extension.

**KP&A-5** 

SA Recycling provides important environmental, economic, and societal benefits for our local community and the region. SA recycles over a million tons of metals every year which significantly reduces the amount of material that otherwise could be going to our landfills or be abandoned in our streets and alleys. Instead, the processed metals are shipped overseas or domestically where they become needed steel for newly manufactured products. These activities clearly add to the economic strength of the Port, the City of Los Angeles, and the region while they also contribute to the environmental stewardship and quality of life in our communities.

KP&A-6

SA is respected for being one of the best employers in the region. However, what makes SA a truly uniquely important company is the fact that it is an employer of predominately minority individuals. SA not only provides good paying jobs, but also nurtures careers in the industry. The Company provides training for its employees to become operators of heavy machinery, welders, mechanics, and other skills and by doing so offers steady employment at good wages and upward professional mobility. Most of the over 125 union and non-union employees at Terminal Island live in the area and have families who contribute to the vitality of our local communities. Many of the employees who work directly at SA have been working at the site for 2 or 3 generations; one-third of the employees have been with SA for more than 30 years. SA's operations and product-related services support the additional indirect employment of 2,319 individuals in the region.

KP&A-7

For these reasons, and more, we support SA Recycling lease extension. Should you have any questions or would like more information about this issue, please contact Sarah Wiltfong, the Director of Advocacy for the Los Angeles County Business Federation, at sarah.wiltfong@bizfed.org.

KP&A-8

Sincerely,

Capt. Khush Fitter

President

K.P. FITTER & ASSOCIATES, INC.

CC: Gene Seroka

Executive Director, Port of Los Angeles

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Moises Figueroa

Regional General Manager, SA Recycling

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## Response to Comment Letter KPF&A

## **KP Fitter and Associates**

- KPF&A-1 The commenter notes that the KP Fitter and Associates (KPF&A) Office has worked with and on behalf of SA Recycling for years and they strongly support the Permit extension for their continued operation with the Port of Los Angeles. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include it in the Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- KPF&A-2 The comment states KPF&A is attaching the formal letter issued to LAHD. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- KPF&A-3 The comment thanks LAHD for the attention and support and offer LAHD to contact their office if there are questions or concerns. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- KPF&A-4 The comment states that on behalf of the undersigned organizations, who collectively represent thousands of businesses from a number of industries across our region, KPF&A supports the approval of the Draft SEIR for SA Recycling's application to extend its Permit at the Port for another 10 years. LAHD acknowledges this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- KPF&A-5 The comment states KPF&A agrees with the Draft SEIR that there are no significant environmental impacts by the Permit extension and that SA Recycling has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007, and plans to continue to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the Permit extension. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- KPF&A-6 The comment states that SA Recycling provides important environmental, economic, and societal benefits for the local community and the region. SA Recycling recycles over a million tons of metals every year, which significantly reduces the amount of material that otherwise could be going to our landfills or be abandoned in the streets and alleys. Instead, the processed metals are shipped overseas, or domestically, where they become needed steel for newly manufactured products. The comment states that these activities clearly add to the economic strength of the Port, the City of Los

Angeles, and the region while they also contribute to the environmental stewardship and quality of life in our communities. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

## KPF&A-7

The comment states that SA Recycling is respected for being one of the best employers in the region and is a uniquely important company is the fact that it is an employer of predominately minority individuals. The comment also states that SA Recycling not only provides good paying jobs, but also nurtures careers in the industry. The Company provides training for its employees to become operators of heavy machinery, welders, mechanics, and other skills and by doing so offers steady employment at good wages and upward professional mobility. The comment additionally states that most of the over 125 union and non-union employees at Terminal Island live in the area and have families who contribute to the vitality of our local communities and many of the employees who work directly at SA Recycling have been working at the site for 2 or 3 generations, with one-third of the employees have been with SA Recycling for more than 30 years. Finally, the commenter states that SA Recycling's operations and product-related services support the additional indirect employment of 2,319 individuals in the region. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

#### KPF&A-8

The comment is conclusionary in nature and offers KP&A is in support of the Permit extension for the above reasons. The commenter offers contact information if LAHD has any questions or would like more information about the issue. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

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January 31, 2024

Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Via Email cegacomments@portla.org

Re: Response to <u>Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease</u> Extension

Dear Ms. Wunder:

On behalf of the International Longshore and Warehouse Union (ILWU) Local 13, representing 9,000 members who work and live throughout the Harbor Area, I am writing to express our strong support for SA Recycling's ten-year lease extension agreement.

ILWU13-1

Having reviewed the Port of Los Angeles' (POLA) Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SA Recycling's (SA) application to extend its lease at the Port for another 10 years, and the report noting that there are no significant environmental impacts by the lease extension, we strongly urge for a swift approval of the DSEIR and SA's lease extension.

**ILWU13-2** 

SA Recycling provides important environmental, economic, and societal benefits for our local community and the region. SA recycles over a million tons of metals every year which significantly reduces the amount of material that otherwise could be going to our landfills or be abandoned in our streets and alleys.

**ILWU13-3** 

70 percent of all steel made in the US comes from recycled cars and appliances. The metals needed for the movement to zero emissions vehicles are already in short supply and there is a growing dependency on the circular economy of recycled metals, so the services SA provides are critical to this effort.

**ILWU13-4** 

SA is also respected for being one of the best employers in the region. The Company provides training for its employees to become operators of heavy machinery, welders, mechanics, and other skills and by doing so offers steady employment at good wages and upward professional mobility. Most of the over 130 employees live in the area and have families who contribute to the vitality of our local communities. Many of the employees who work directly at SA have been working at the

**ILWU13-5** 

site for 2 or 3 generations. In addition, the many indirect jobs the Company's recycling activities ILWU13-5 generate and sustain are primarily from underserved communities.

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SA has also been a longstanding partner to labor with workforce from both ILWU 13 and 26 represented to ensure that there are well-trained and fairly paid labor to do some of the most critical work at the largest and busiest port in the nation.

**ILWU13-6** 

SA and its employees have also been active participants, partners, and supporters of many of our community activities and organizations. In addition to SA's participation in the community, its personnel are neighbors; our colleagues on non-profit boards and organizations who partner and organize community events alongside local residents, and they are always one of the first to offer assistance when help is needed. In doing so SA, with its investment and direct involvement in our communities, serves as an example of what it means to be a responsible company.

**ILWU13-7** 

In addition, a recent Los Angeles Economic Development Commission Study illustrated the many economic and environmental benefits the company generates in the Los Angeles region:

- o \$1.09 billion in annual economic impact
- o \$2691 million in annual labor income
- o \$54,600,000 in annual state and local taxes

**ILWU13-8** 

In light of these contributions, we believe that the continuation of SA Recycling's lease is not only beneficial but essential for the economic vitality and environmental sustainability of our region.

We urge the Port of Los Angeles Harbor Department to recognize the value that SA Recycling brings to our community and to approve their lease agreement renewal. Their continued operation is integral to our shared goals of economic prosperity and environmental responsibility.

LWU13-9

Thank you for considering our support in this matter. We look forward to a favorable decision that ILWU13-10 will benefit our community and the environment.

Sincerely,

Gary Herrera President

ILWU Local 13

cc:

Los Angeles Harbor Commissioners SA Recycling

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## Response to Comment Letter ILWU13

## International Longshoreman's and Warehousing Union Local 13

- ILWU 13-1 The commenter states the International Longshoreman's and Warehousing Union Local 13 (ILWU 13) represents 9,000 members who work throughout the Harbor Area and they are writing to express support for the Project's ten-year Permit extension. LAHD thanks you for this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- ILWU 13-2 The comment states the ILWU 13 reviewed the Draft SEIR for the Proposed Project and notes there are no significant environmental impacts by the Permit extension. The commenter strongly urges approval of the Draft SEIR and SA Recycling's Permit extension. LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- ILWU 13-3 The comment states that SA Recycling provides important environmental, economic and societal benefits for our local community and the region. SA Recycling recycles over a million tons of metals every year which significantly reduces the amount of material and otherwise could be going to landfills or abandoned in the streets and alleys. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- ILWU 13-4 The comment states that 70 percent of all steel made in the US comes from recycled cars and appliances. The comment also states that metals needed for the movement to zero emissions are already in short supply and there is a growing dependency on the circular economy of recycled metals, so the services SA Recycling provides are critical to this effort. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- ILWU 13-5 The comment states SA Recycling is also respected for being one of the best employers in the region, as the company provides training for its employees to become operators of heavy machinery, welders, mechanics, and other skills, and by doing so offers steady employment at good wages and upward professional mobility. The comment also states that most of the employees live in the area and have families who contribute to the vitality of the local communities and that many of the employees who work for SA Recycling have been working at the site for 2 or 3 generations. Finally, the comment states that the company's activities contribute to indirect jobs that generate and sustain primarily from underserved communities. LAHD acknowledges these comments and

will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

ILWU 13-6 The comment states that SA Recycling has been a longstanding partner to labor with workforce from both IWLU 13 and 26 represented to ensure that there are well-trained and fairly paid labor to do the work at the largest and busiest port in the nation. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

ILWU 13-7 The comment states SA Recycling and its employees have been active participants, partners, and supporters of many community activities and organizations. In addition to SA Recycling's participation in the community, and its personnel are neighbors, our colleagues on non-profit boards and organizations who partner and organize community events alongside local residents, and are always one of the first to offer assistance when help is needed. The commenter states that SA Recycling is an example of what it means to be a responsible company. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

ILWU 13-8 The comment states that a recent Los Angeles Economic Development Commission Study illustrated the many economic and environmental benefits SA Recycling generates in the Los Angeles Region:

- · \$1.09 billion in annual economic impact
- · \$269.1 million in annual labor income
- · \$54,600,000 in annual state and local taxes

In light of these contributions, the commenter believes the continuation of SA Recycling's Permit is beneficial and essential for the economic vitality and environmental sustainability of the region. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

ILWU 13-9 The commenter urges the LAHD to recognize the value that SA Recycling brings to the community and to approve their Permit agreement renewal. The commenter also states the continued operation is integral to our shared goals of economic prosperity and environmental responsibility. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

ILWU 13-10 The comment is conclusionary in nature. The commenter thanks LAHD for considering their support in this matter and looks forward to a favorable decision that will benefit

the community and the environment. LAHD acknowledges this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

## Comment Letter CCA Central City Association of Los Angeles



February 6, 2024

Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department **Environmental Management Division** 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Re: Response to Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension

Dear Ms. Wunder,

Central City Association (CCA) represents 300 businesses, nonprofits and trade associations with a shared mission of enhancing Downtown Los Angeles' vibrancy and increasing opportunity in the region. Having reviewed the Port of Los Angeles' (POLA) Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SACCA-1 Recycling's (SA) application to extend its lease at the Port for another 10 years, and the report noting that there are no significant environmental impacts by the lease extension, we strongly urge for a swift approval of the DSEIR and SA's lease extension.

At a time where the State of California is facing a deep budget deficit, and with many in the business community feeling economic uncertainty, we all need to work together to ensure that the economic viability for long standing good corporate partners like SA are able to continue to operate and continue to support the more than 2,000 direct and indirect jobs in the region.

A recent Los Angeles Economic Development Commission Study illustrated the many economic and environmental benefits the company generates in the Los Angeles region:

- \$1.09 billion in annual economic impact
- \$2.69 million in annual labor income
- \$54,600,000 in annual state and local taxes

SA Recycling provides important environmental, economic, and societal benefits for our local community and the region. SA recycles over a million tons of metals every year which significantly reduces the amount of CCA-4 material that otherwise could be going to our landfills or be abandoned in our streets and alleys.

70 percent of all steel made in the US comes from recycled cars and appliances. The metals needed for the CCA-5 movement to zero emissions vehicles are already in short supply and there is a growing dependency on the circular economy of recycled metals, so the services SA provides are critical to this effort.

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SA is also respected for being one of the best employers in the region. However, what makes SA a truly uniquely important company is the fact that the workforce truly reflects the diversity of our Los Angeles community, providing good paying jobs, and nurturing careers in the industry.

CCA-6

The Company provides training for its employees to become operators of heavy machinery, welders, mechanics and other skills and by doing so offers steady employment at good wages and upward professional mobility. Most of the over 130 employees live in the area and have families who contribute to the vitality of our local CCA-7 communities. Many of the employees who work directly at SA have been working at the site for 2 or 3 generations. In addition, the many indirect jobs the Company's recycling activities generate and sustain are primarily from underserved communities.

SA and its employees have also been active participants, partners, and supporters of many of our community activities and organizations. In addition to SA's participation in the community, its personnel are neighbors; our colleagues on non-profit boards and organizations who partner and organize community events alongside local CCA-8 residents, and they are always one of the first to offer assistance when help is needed. In doing so SA, with its investment and direct involvement in our communities, serves as an example of what it means to be a responsible company.

In light of these contributions, we believe that the continuation of SA Recycling's lease is not only beneficial but CCA-9 essential for the economic vitality and environmental sustainability of our region.

We urge the Port of Los Angeles Harbor Department to recognize the value that SA Recycling brings to our community and to approve their lease agreement renewal. Their continued operation is integral to our shared goals of economic prosperity and environmental responsibility.

Thank you for considering our support in this matter.

Sincerely,

Nella McOsker President & CEO Central City Association

CC: Los Angeles Harbor Commissioners SA Recycling

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## Response to Comment Letter CCA

## Central City Association of Los Angeles

- CCA-1 The commenter states the Central City Association of Los Angeles (CCA) represents 300 businesses, nonprofits and trade associations with a shared mission of enhancing Downtown Los Angeles' vibrancy and increasing opportunity in the region. Having reviewed the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) for SA Recycling's application to extend its Permit at the Port for another 10 years, and the report noting that there are no significant environmental impacts by the Permit extension, CCA strongly urges for a swift approval of the Draft SEIR and SA Recycling's Permit extension. LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- CCA-2 The comment states at a time where the State of California is facing a deep budget deficit, and with many in the business community feeling economic uncertainty, we all need to work together to ensure that the economic viability for longstanding good corporate partners like SA Recycling are able to continue to operate and continue to support the more than 2,000 direct and indirect jobs in the region. LAHD thanks you for this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- CCA-3 The comment refers to a recent Los Angeles Economic Development Commission Study illustrating the many economic and environmental benefits the company generates in the Los Angeles region:
  - \$1.09 billion in annual economic impact
  - · \$2.69 million in annual labor income
  - \$54,600,000 in annual state and local taxes

LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

CCA-4 The commenter states SA Recycling provides important environmental, economic, and societal benefits for our local community and the region. SA Recycling recycles over a million tons of metals every year which significantly reduces the amount of material that otherwise could be going to our landfills or be abandoned in our streets and alleys. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

- CCA-5 The comment states that SA Recycling and its employees are participants, partners, and supporters of many of our community activities and organizations, as one of their employees serves on the CCA board while another of their staff members runs the CCA Leadership Carson Program building leaders in the community. The commenter states these employees have always been there for the CCA and for the community as a whole. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- CCA-6 The comment states that SA is also respected for being one of the best employers in the region. However, what makes SA a truly uniquely important company is the fact that the workforce truly reflects the diversity of our Los Angeles community, providing good paying jobs, and nurturing careers in the industry. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- CCA-7 The comment states that the SA Recycling provides training for its employees to become operators of heavy machinery, welders, mechanics, and other skills and by doing so offers steady employment at good wages and upward professional mobility. Most of the over 130 employees live in the area and have families who contribute to the vitality of our local communities. Many of the employees who work directly at SA Recycling have been working at the site for 2 or 3 generations. In addition, the many indirect jobs the Company's recycling activities generate and sustain are primarily from underserved communities. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- CCA-8 The comment states that the SA Recycling and its employees have also been active participants, partners, and supporters of many of our community activities and organizations. In addition to SA Recycling's participation in the community, its personnel are neighbors, colleagues on non-profit boards and organizations who partner and organize community events alongside local residents, and they are always one of the first to offer assistance when help is needed. In doing so SA Recycling, with its investment and direct involvement in our communities, serves as an example of what it means to be a responsible company. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- CCA-9 The comment states that CCA believes that the continuation of SA Recycling's Permit is not only beneficial but essential for the economic vitality and environmental sustainability of our region. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

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SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750 Project Final SEIR

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CCA-10 The comment states that CCA urges the LAHD to recognize the value that SA Recycling brings to our community and to approve their Permit agreement renewal. Their continued operation is integral to our shared goals of economic prosperity and environmental responsibility. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

## Comment Letter Gipson & Bradford Assembly Member Gipson and Senator Bradford

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February 15, 2024

Lisa Wunder, Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Via Email cegacomments@portla.org

Re: Response to Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750 Project

Dear Ms. Wunder:

This is in response to the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) published Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (Draft SEIR) for SA Recycling's (SA) application to extend its lease at the Port for another 10 years.

Gipson & Bradford-1

This facility has been recycling scrap metal from the Los Angeles area since 1962 and SA Recycling has been operating the state-of-the-art facility at this location since 2007. It is our understanding that SA's existing long-term lease is set to expire in 2024.

Gipson & Bradford-2

We are pleased to learn the Draft SEIR has determined that implementation of the Proposed Project would not result in significant effects substantially more severe than shown in the previous EIR and strongly support the approval of the Draft SEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's lease and continued tenancy at the port for the following reasons: The recycling services provided by SA are vital to all our communities and businesses throughout the Los Angeles region because they process end-of-life vehicles, appliances, and various metal products that are generated in our communities. Once processed, the scrap metal products are exported to mills from SA's port facility. The recycling metal products shipped by SA ranks as the #2 export from the Port of Los Angeles and provides a significant contribution to the port's export trade.

Gipson & Bradford-3

In addition, SA is well-known for being a valuable employer in our community. Many of the employees that work at SA have been with the company through generations. SA provides good paying jobs, and they provide career growth in the industry. The company also generates many indirect jobs, many in disadvantaged communities. These jobs are vital to our local economy, and quality of life in the Los Angeles region.

Gipson & Bradford-4

SA is also a great partner and supporter of our communities. The company serves as an example of what it means to be a reasonable corporate leader and good neighbor with their investment and direct involvement in our communities. SA is not just a company - its people are our neighbors, colleagues on non-profit boards and organizations. They partner and organize community events alongside us; and they are always one of the first willing to commit to help when needed.

Gipson & Bradford-5

We proudly support SA Recycling's request for a lease extension. It is vital to the port, to the Gipson & economy and to this community that SA be able to continue its operation at the Port of Los Bradford-6 Angeles.

Should you have any questions or would like more information about this issue, please contact me Gipson & or my staff, Mitchell Mattos at Mitchell.Mattos@asm.ca.gov or (916) 319-2065.

Bradford-7

Sincerely,

MIKE A. GIPSON

Assemblymember, 65th AD

Senator, 35th SD

## Response to Comment Letter Gipson/Bradford

## Assembly Member Gipson and Senator Bradford

- Gipson/Bradford-1The comment is in response to the Port of Los Angeles published Draft SEIR for the Project application to extend its Permit at the Port for another 10 years. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required
- Gipson/Bradford-2The comments states that SA Recycling has been recycling metal from the Los Angeles area since 1962 and the company has been operating the state-of-the-art facility at this location since 2007. The comment also states it is the understanding of Assembly Member Gipson and Senator Bradford that SA Recycling's existing long-term Permit is set to expire in 2024. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required
- Gipson/Bradford-3The commenters express that they are pleased to learn the Draft SEIR has determined that implementation of the Proposed Project would not result in significant effects substantially more severe than shown in the previous EIR. The commenters strongly support the approval of the Draft SEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's Permit and continued tenancy at the port for a number of reasons. The comment states the first reason includes the recycling services provided by SA Recycling are vital to all our communities and businesses throughout the Los Angeles region because they process end-of-life vehicles, appliances, and various metal products that are generated in our communities. Once processed, the scrap metal products are exported to mills from SA's Port facility. The recycling metal products shipped by SA Recycling ranks as the #2 export from the Port and provides a significant contribution to the Port's export trade. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- Gipson/Bradford-4This comment states that SA Recycling's is well-known for being a valuable employer in our community and that many of the employees that work at SA Recycling have been with the company through generations. The comment also states that SA Recycling provides good paying jobs, and they provide career growth in the industry. The company also generates many indirect jobs in disadvantaged communities, and these jobs are vital to our local economy, and quality of life in the Los Angeles region. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

- Gipson/Bradford-5The comment states SA Recycling is a great partner and supporter of our communities. The company serves as an example of what it means to be a reasonable corporate leader and good neighbor with their investment and direct involvement in our communities. The comment also states that SA Recycling is not just a company, it is people that are neighbors and colleagues on non-profit boards and organizations. The company partners and organizes community events alongside the commenters; and they are always one of the first willing to commit to help when needed. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- Gipson/Bradford-6 The commenters proudly support SA Recycling's request for a Permit extension and state that it is vital to the Port, the economy and to this community that SA Recycling be able to continue its operation at the Port of Los Angeles. LAHD acknowledges this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- Gipson/Bradford-7 The comment is conclusionary and states that should LAHD have questions or would like more information about the issue to contact the commenters and provides contact information. The comment states the letter is of support and encourages LAHD to reach out if they have any additional questions. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.

## Comment Letter BF BizFed

February 16, 2024

Lisa Wunder Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Via Email cegacomments@portla.org

Re: Response to <u>Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension</u>

#### Dear Ms. Wunder:

On behalf of the undersigned organizations, who collectively represent thousands of businesses from a number of industries across our region, we strongly support the approval of the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SA Recycling's (SA) application to extend its lease at the Port for another 10 years.

BF-1

We agree with the DSEIR that there are no significant environmental impacts by the lease extension. SA has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007 and plans to continue to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the lease extension.

BF-2

SA Recycling provides important environmental, economic, and societal benefits for our local community and the region. SA recycles over a million tons of metals every year which significantly reduces the amount of material that otherwise could be going to our landfills or be abandoned in our streets and alleys. Instead, the processed metals are shipped overseas or domestically where they become needed steel for newly manufactured products. These activities clearly add to the economic strength of the Port, the City of Los Angeles, and the region while they also contribute to the environmental stewardship and quality of life in our communities.

BF-3

SA is respected for being one of the best employers in the region. However, what makes SA a truly uniquely important company is the fact that it is an employer of predominately minority individuals. SA not only provides good paying jobs, but also nurtures careers in the industry. The Company provides training for its employees to become operators of heavy machinery, welders, mechanics, and other skills and by doing so offers steady employment at good wages and upward professional mobility. Most of the over 125 union and non-union employees at Terminal Island live in the area and have families who contribute to the vitality of our local communities. Many of the employees who work directly at SA have been working at the site for 2 or 3 generations; one-third of the employees have been with SA for more than 30 years. SA's operations and product-related services support the additional indirect employment of 2,319 individuals in the region.

BF-4

For these reasons, and more, we support SA Recycling lease extension. Should you have any questions of would like more information about this issue, please contact Sarah Wiltfong, the Director of Advocacy for the Los Angeles County Business Federation, at sarah.wiltfong@bizfed.org.

RF-F

#### Sincerely,

BeaconHouse Association of San Pedro Boys & Girls Clubs of Long Beach Boys and Girls Club of the Los Angeles Harbor Carson Chamber of Commerce Crown Castle EXP Fast Lane Transportation Gang Alternatives Program (GAP) Harbor Association of Industry and Commerce ICE - International Cargo Equipment, Inc. Industrial Environmental Association

Jacobsen Pilot Service Los Angeles County Business Federation Los Angeles Maritime Institute (LAMI) Marathon Petroleum Multicultural Business Alliance NAACP San Pedro/Wilmington Pacific Crane Maintenance Company Pacific Harbor Line Pacific Terminal Service Company San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership San Pedro Chamber of Commerce Sharefest South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce Southern California Leadership Council Strength Based Community Change (SBCC) Vopak Western Electrical Contractors Association Wilmington Chamber Wilmington Gardena-Carson YMCA YMCA of Metropolitan Los Angeles

CC: Gene Seroka

Executive Director, Port of Los Angeles

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## Response to Comment Letter BizFest

## Los Angeles County Business Federation

- BizFest-1 The commenter states that on behalf of undersigned organizations, who collectively represent thousands of businesses from a number of industries across the region, they strongly support the approval of the Draft SEIR for the Proposed Project. LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- BizFest-2 The comment states Los Angeles County Business Federation (BizFest) agrees with the Draft SEIR that there are no significant environmental impacts by the Permit extension and that SA Recycling has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007 and plans to continue to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the Permit extension. LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- BizFest-3 The comment states SA Recycling provides important environmental, economic and societal benefits for the local community and the region by recycling a million tons of metals every year, which significantly reduces the amount of material that otherwise could be going to landfills or abandoned in streets and alleys. Instead, the processed metals are shipped overseas, or domestically, where they become needed steel for new manufactured products. The comment also states these activities clearly add to the economic strength of the Port, the City of Los Angeles and the region while contributing to the environmental stewardship and quality of life in our communities. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- BizFest-4 The comment summarizes why SA Recycling is respected for being one of the best employers in the region. The comment states that the company is an employer of predominately minority individuals. The comment also states that SA Recycling provides good paying jobs and nurtures careers in the industry, as they provide training for its employees to become operators of heavy machinery, welders, mechanics, and other skills. The comment also states the company offers steady employment at good wages and upward professional mobility with most of the over 125 union and non-union employees at Terminal Island that live in the area and have families who contribute to the vitality of local communities. The comment additionally states that many of the employees who work directly at SA Recycling have been working at the site for 2 or 3 generations with one-third of the employees have been with SA Recycling for more than 30 years. Finally,

the comment states SA Recycling's operations and product-related services support additional indirect employment of 2,319 individuals in the region. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

BizFest-5 The comment is conclusionary and states for the reasons listed above, BizFest supports SA Recycling's Permit extension. The comment also provides contact information if LAHD has any questions or would like further information. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

# Comment Letter NAACPSP NAACP San Pedro Branch

### Juneteenth 400



Joe Gatlin, President 221 S. Cabrillo San Pedro, Ca 90731 (310)766-5399 https://gtroots.org/juneteenth.com

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January 15, 2024

Lisa Wunder
Los Angeles Harbor Department
Environmental Management Division
425 S. Palos Verdes Street
San Pedro, CA 90731
Via Email ceqacomments@portla.org

Re: Response to Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Lease Extension

Dear Ms. Wunder:

We have recently noticed that the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) has published the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (DSEIR) for SA Recycling's (SA) application to extend its lease at the Port for another 10 years. The San Pedro/Wilmington Chapter of the NAACP Branch 1069 strongly support the approval of the DSEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's lease for the following reasons:

NAACPSP-1

We agree with the DSEIR that there are no significant environmental impacts by the lease extension. SA has been a good environmental steward in operating on this site since 2007 and plans on continuing to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the lease extension.

NAACPSP-2

SA Recycling provides important environmental, economic, and societal benefits for our local community and the region. SA recycles over a million tons of metals every year which significantly reduces the amount of material that otherwise could be going to our landfills or be abandoned in our streets and alleys. Instead, the processed metals are shipped overseas or domestically where they become needed steel for newly manufactured products. These activities clearly add to the economic strength of the Port, the City of Los Angeles, and the region while they also contribute to the environmental stewardship and quality of life in our communities.

NAACPSP-3

SA is respected for being one of the best employers in the region. However, what makes SA a truly uniquely important company is the fact that it is an employer of predominately minority individuals. SA not only provides good paying jobs, but also nurtures careers in the industry. The Company provides training for its

NAACPSP-4



employees to become operators of heavy machinery, welders, mechanics, and other skills and by doing so offers steady employment at good wages and upward professional mobility. Most of the over 130 employees live in the area and have families who contribute to the vitality of our local communities. Many of the employees who work directly at SA have been working at the site for 2 or 3 generations. In addition, the many indirect jobs the Company's recycling activities generate and sustain are primarily from underserved communities.

NAACPSP-4 contd.

SA and its employees have also been active participants, partners, and supporters of many of our community activities and organizations. In addition to SA's participation in the community, its personnel are our neighbors; our colleagues on non-profit boards and organizations who partner and organize community events alongside our residents, and they are always one of the first to offer assistance when help is needed. In doing so SA, with its investment and direct involvement in our communities, serves as an example of what it means to be a responsible company.

NAACPSP-5

An example, The Boys and Girls Club of the Los Angeles Harbor which serves the San Pedro, Wilmington and Harbor City serves the children of the Harbor area, and it relies heavily on the support of local businesses like SA. SA has contributed significant time and money to the causes of the Boys and Girls Chub, and we are truly grateful for their support.

NAACPSP-6

Should you have any questions or would like more information about this issue, please contact me at NAACPSP-7 joegatlinoffice@gmail.com or (310) 766-5399.

Sincerely,

Joe Gatlin

Joe Gatlin

Vice President of San Pedro NAACP

CC: Los Angeles Harbor Commissioners SA Recycling

## Response to Comment Letter NAACPSP

## **NAACP San Pedro Branch**

- NAACPSP-1 The commenter notes the NAACP San Pedro Branch (NAACPSP) received the notice of the Port of Los Angeles' published Draft SEIR for SA Recycling's application to extend its Permit at the Port for another 10 years, and the NAACPSP strongly supports the approval of the Draft SEIR and the extension of SA Recycling's Permit. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- NAACPSP-2 The comment states that NAACPSP agrees with the Draft SEIR that there are no significant environmental impacts by the Permit extension and SA Recycling has been a good steward in operating on this site since 2007 and plans to continue to operate the recycling business in a similar or improved manner during the Permit extension. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- NAACPSP-3 The comment states that SA Recycling provides important environmental, economic and societal benefits for our local community and the region and SA Recycling recycles over a million tons of metals every year, which significantly reduces the amount of material that otherwise could be going to landfills or abandoned in the streets and alleys. Instead, the processed metals are shipped overseas or domestically where they become needed steel for newly manufactured products. The comment also states that these activities clearly add to the economic strength of the Port, the City of Los Angeles, and the region while they also contribute to the environmental stewardship and quality of life in our communities. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.
- NAACPSP-4 The comment states that SA Recycling is respected for being one of the best employers in the region, as they employee predominately minority individuals. The comment also states that SA Recycling not only provides good paying jobs, but also nurtures careers in the industry by training for its employees to become operators of heavy machinery, welders, mechanics, and other skills. By doing this, SA Recycling offers steady employment at good wages with upward professional mobility. The comment additionally states that most of the over 130 employees live in the area and have families who contribute to the vitality of the local communities as many of the employees who work directly as SA Recycling have been working at the site for 2 or 3 generations. Finally, the comment states that many indirect jobs are generated by the

company's recycling activities and they sustain primarily underserved communities. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

## NAACPSP-5

The comment states SA Recycling and its employees have been active participants, partners, and supporters of many community activities and organizations. In addition to SA Recycling's participation in the community, its personnel are neighbors, colleagues on non-profit boards and organizations who partner and organize community events alongside our residents, and they are always one of the first to offer assistance when help is needed. The comment also states that SA Recycling, with its investment and direct involvement in our communities, serves as an example of what it means to be a responsible company. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

## NAACPSP-6

The comment provides an example that the Boys and Girls Club of the Los Angeles Harbor which serves the San Pedro, Wilmington and Harbor City serves the children of the Harbor area, and it relies heavily on the support of local businesses like SA Recycling, which has contributed significant time and money to the causes of the Boys and Girls Club. The commenter states they are truly grateful for the support of SA Recycling to these clubs. LAHD acknowledges these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

#### NAACPSP-7

The comment is conclusionary in nature and states that if LAHD has any questions or would like more information about this issue to contact NAACPSP and provides contact information. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft SEIR; therefore, no further response is required.

## 2.3.1.5 Individuals

## Comment Letter Gabriel Jose Gabriel

From: Jose Gabriel
To: Cegacomments

Subject: SA Recycling Amendment to Permit No. 750 Project

Date: Tuesday, January 16, 2024 7:41:03 PM

La operacion de SA resulta en explociones violentas regularmente. Estos eventos presentan un peligro al medio ambiente, los epleados de SA, los troqueros, la comunidad y los vecinos. Que planes han sido propuestos para eliminar estas explociones?

Gabriel-1

The following was translated by Google. I hope the translation makes sense.

SA's operation results in violent explosions regularly. These events present a danger to the environment, SA employees, truck drivers, the community and neighbors. What plans have been proposed to eliminate these explosions?

Jose

## Response to Comment Letter Gabriel

## Jose Gabriel

#### Gabriel-1

The comment states that SA Recycling's operation results in violent explosions regularly and that these events present a danger to the environment, SA employees, truck drivers, the community and neighbors. The commenter asks what plans have been proposed to eliminate these explosions? In response, explosions have not been a regular part of the SA Recycling's existing operations, and are not proposed as a part of the Phase 1 continuing operations of the proposed Project. As explained in the Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIR), there is a strict policy that all vehicles from suppliers have flammable liquids removed before delivery to the shredder facility. As also discussed in Section 3.4, Hazards, of the Draft SEIR, the air pollution control system underwent improvements following an explosion that occurred in 2007, and the improved design of the shredder directly addressed the cause of that past explosion and preventive measures have subsequently been implemented at the site. As such, future risk due to explosion is not anticipated on the Proposed Project site.

2.3.2 Responses to Comments Received During the SA Recycling Public Meeting **SA Recycling Public Meeting Comments** 

Project: SA Recycling Amendment to Permit Number 750 Project Public Meeting Date: January 17, 2024

Time: 4pm

The following document was developed using Zoom and minor edits were made by Port staff for transcription errors and descriptive comments.

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00:00:29.630 --> 00:00:33.560
Nicole Enciso: Good afternoon, everyone. We're going to give folks a few
minutes to join us.
00:01:39.710 --> 00:01:42.679
Nicole Enciso: All right. We will go ahead and get started.
00:01:43.540 --> 00:01:54.429
Nicole Enciso: Welcome, everyone. This is the public meeting for the SA
Recycling Amendment to Permit Number 750 project for the Draft Subsequent
Environmental Impact Report
00:01:54.520 --> 00:01:59.690
Nicole Enciso: or SEIR to the Hugo Neu-Proler Lease Renewal Environmental
Impact Report.
00:02:00.670 --> 00:02:10.299
Nicole Enciso: The FAQ option is open for technical and will be monitored
for technical difficulties only, and we will not be accepting comments
through that channel.
00:02:10.970 --> 00:02:20.540
Nicole Enciso: We do have Spanish translation available. So if you would
like to join us and hear any Spanish translations, please go to the
bottom of your screen
00:02:20.740 --> 00:02:25.679
Nicole Enciso: and select the appropriate interpretation channel once
that option opens up.
[Spanish instructions on how to join the interpretation channel]
00:02:54.220 --> 00:02:55.320
Nicole Enciso: thank you for that.
00:02:56.480 --> 00:02:58.790
Nicole Enciso: Go ahead on to the next slide.
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00:03:06.620 --> 00:03:09.570
Nicole Enciso: Here we have an agenda of what we'll be going over today.
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Nicole Enciso: First, we'll go over an overview of the California
Environmental Quality Act or CEQA process.
00:03:15.520 --> 00:03:24.800
Nicole Enciso: We'll then move into the presentation of the proposed
project. The Draft SEIR determinations, We'll open up the floor for
public comments,
00:03:24.950 --> 00:03:29.490
Nicole Enciso: and we'll conclude with some closing remarks. Next slide.
00:03:32.850 --> 00:03:36.759
Nicole Enciso: This is an overview of the CEQA Process for the proposed
project.
00:03:37.000 --> 00:03:43.179
Nicole Enciso: In 2021 we released the project as an addendum to the 1996
EIR,
00:03:43.480 --> 00:03:46.490
Nicole Enciso: and based on public and agency input
00:03:46.740 --> 00:03:52.580
Nicole Enciso: we prepared a Notice of Preparation and Initial Study
which was released in 2023,
00:03:54.090 --> 00:03:58.949
Nicole Enciso: that NOP/IS was put out for public and agency input
00:03:59.060 --> 00:04:03.999
Nicole Enciso: and during that time we also offered a Public Scoping
meeting
00:04:04.310 --> 00:04:05.559
Nicole Enciso: for the community
00:04:05.670 --> 00:04:08.240
Nicole Enciso: to hear about the proposed project.
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Nicole Enciso: The comments received on the NOPIS were incorporated into
the Subsequent Environmental Impact Report, which was released
00:04:17.820 --> 00:04:20.539
Nicole Enciso: on January 4, 2024
00:04:22.220 --> 00:04:25.699
Nicole Enciso: and put back out for public and agency input.
00:04:26.210 --> 00:04:31.520
Nicole Enciso: We are now at the public meeting, where we're giving the
community another opportunity to hear about the proposed project
00:04:32.370 --> 00:04:34.770
Nicole Enciso: and provide verbal comments.
00:04:35.730 --> 00:04:40.719
Nicole Enciso: All comments received will be incorporated into the Final
Subsequent EIR
00:04:40.940 --> 00:04:43.890
Nicole Enciso: before being brought to the Board of Harbor Commissioners
00:04:46.590 --> 00:04:47.540
Nicole Enciso: next slide.
00:04:51.790 --> 00:04:58.800
Nicole Enciso: As mentioned previously, the Draft SEIR was released on
January 4, 2024,
00:04:59.120 --> 00:04:59.800
00:04:59.970 --> 00:05:05.570
Nicole Enciso: And a copy of the document can be found on the Port's
website at www.portoflosangeles.org/CEQA
00:05:05.690 --> 00:05:07.659
00:05:07.830 --> 00:05:09.490
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00:05:10.660 --> 00:05:16.239
Nicole Enciso: The Harbor Department is holding this meeting to provide
the public information about the proposed project,
00:05:16.550 --> 00:05:23.159
Nicole Enciso: and offer the public an opportunity to provide input on
environmental issues raised in the Draft SEIR
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00:05:24.470 --> 00:05:33.589
Nicole Enciso: Written comments will be accepted until Monday, February
19, 2024, and all comments received will become part of the public
record.
00:05:35.350 --> 00:05:36.400
Nicole Enciso: Next slide.
00:05:40.960 --> 00:05:47.749
Nicole Enciso: This slide is showing the proposed project's location in
the context of the remainder of the Port of LA Complex.
00:05:50.660 --> 00:05:51.850
Nicole Enciso: next slide
00:05:54.070 --> 00:06:03.140
Nicole Enciso: A bit of background on the previous analysis. So the Hugo
Neu-proler Lease Renewal EIR was certified in 1996,
00:06:03.570 --> 00:06:09.730
Nicole Enciso: and the Los Angeles Harbor Department renewed the Permit
when the EIR was approved in 1996.
00:06:10.500 --> 00:06:16.470
Nicole Enciso: Since that time SA Recycling has been operating as a scrap
metal recycling site
00:06:17.010 --> 00:06:20.839
Nicole Enciso: at the project site under Permit Number 750.
00:06:22.000 --> 00:06:27.550
Nicole Enciso: scrap metal is transported to the project site where it is
sorted, shredded, or sheared.
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00:06:27.940 --> 00:06:32.600
Nicole Enciso: then stockpiled and loaded for transport to domestic and
overseas markets.
00:06:33.720 --> 00:06:34.819
Nicole Enciso: Next slide.
00:06:39.150 --> 00:06:47.500
Nicole Enciso: This is an overview of the project. SA Recycling is
seeking an amendment to their existing Permit Number 750,
00:06:47.570 --> 00:06:53.259
Nicole Enciso: to allow for up to 10 additional years of operation as a
scrap metal recycling facility
00:06:54.610 --> 00:06:59.469
Nicole Enciso: Up to 5 additional years thereafter would also be awarded
00:06:59.550 --> 00:07:02.300
Nicole Enciso: for any required restoration of the site.
00:07:03.400 --> 00:07:07.720
Nicole Enciso: These are being identified in the SEIR as phase one and
phase two.
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00:07:08.560 --> 00:07:13.640
Nicole Enciso: Under phase one which is the continuing operation of the
scrap metal facility,
00:07:14.120 --> 00:07:20.420
Nicole Enciso: no change in use or expansion of operation than what was
previously actualized in the baseline
00:07:20.430 --> 00:07:24.560
Nicole Enciso: fiscal year of 2021 and 2022 would occur.
00:07:25.920 --> 00:07:33.989
Nicole Enciso: Phase 2, which is the Restoration period, would require
demolition and dismantling of structures and buildings.
00:07:34.960 --> 00:07:36.930
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Nicole Enciso: shipping the recycled metals,
00:07:37.920 --> 00:07:42.079
Nicole Enciso: concrete demolition of both flat slab and foundations,
00:07:43.120 --> 00:07:46.290
Nicole Enciso: soil, removal, import and regrading.
00:07:47.640 --> 00:07:54.349
Nicole Enciso: We would haul additional residual crushed concrete and
import suitable ground cover
00:07:55.930 --> 00:07:57.050
Nicole Enciso: next slide.
00:08:00.620 --> 00:08:09.070
Nicole Enciso: Here's a list of the project objectives which would
include extending the applicant's existing permit a period of 10 years
for continued operation.
00:08:09.450 --> 00:08:12.629
Nicole Enciso: and up to 5 additional years to restore the property.
00:08:13.830 --> 00:08:23.060
Nicole Enciso: Maintain the use of an existing permitted metal recycling
site to provide long-term scrap metal reclamation, recycling capacity
00:08:23.130 --> 00:08:27.320
Nicole Enciso: consistent with applicable local and State regulatory
requirements,
00:08:28.390 --> 00:08:33.740
Nicole Enciso: utilize an existing permitted metal recycling site to
continue providing
00:08:34.030 --> 00:08:38.049
Nicole Enciso: a safe metal recycling and bulk export
00:08:38.140 --> 00:08:41.240
Nicole Enciso: by vessel in the Southern California region
00:08:41.250 --> 00:08:47.949
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Nicole Enciso: to meet current and future anticipated demands while
ensuring the protection of health, safety, and the environment.
00:08:49.620 --> 00:08:54.810
Nicole Enciso: ensure restoration of the project site consistent with
foreseeable future requirements,
00:08:54.930 --> 00:09:00.989
Nicole Enciso: and prevent the release or threatened release of hazardous
substances from uses on the project site.
00:09:02.860 --> 00:09:03.850
Nicole Enciso: next slide.
00:09:05.870 --> 00:09:11.269
Nicole Enciso: This is a summary of the determinations that were made in
the 2023 Initial Study:
00:09:12.010 --> 00:09:15.150
Nicole Enciso: air quality and meteorology,
00:09:15.270 --> 00:09:17.050
Nicole Enciso: greenhouse gas emissions,
00:09:17.460 --> 00:09:23.549
Nicole Enciso: hazards, and hydrology and water quality were identified
as having a potentially significant impact
00:09:23.700 --> 00:09:33.490
Nicole Enciso: beyond what was studied in the 1996 EIR. These resource
areas were studied in more depth in the Draft Subsequent EIR.
00:09:35.210 --> 00:09:44.260
Nicole Enciso: All other environmental factors were determined to either
have a less than significant or no impact beyond what was studied in the
1996 EIR,
00:09:45.190 --> 00:09:47.300
Nicole Enciso: and in that Initial Study
00:09:47.610 --> 00:09:52.400
Nicole Enciso: were not identified to be carried forward into the Draft
Subsequent EIR.
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00:09:53.060 --> 00:09:56.500
Nicole Enciso: These resource areas include aesthetics.
00:09:56.810 --> 00:10:00.199
Nicole Enciso: agriculture and forestry.
00:10:00.840 --> 00:10:08.389
Nicole Enciso: biological resources, cultural resources, energy, geology
00:10:08.830 --> 00:10:10.399
Nicole Enciso: land use and planning,
00:10:10.930 --> 00:10:25.380
Nicole Enciso: mineral resources, noise, population and housing, public
services, recreation, transportation, tribal cultural resources,
00:10:25.760 --> 00:10:29.490
Nicole Enciso: utilities and service systems, and wildfire.
00:10:30.220 --> 00:10:33.649
Nicole Enciso: With the addition of the Phase 2 Restoration period.
00:10:33.960 --> 00:10:40.020
Nicole Enciso: we did bring forward cultural resources into this
Subsequent EIR for analysis.
00:10:41.600 --> 00:10:42.670
Nicole Enciso: Next slide.
00:10:46.590 --> 00:10:57.900
Nicole Enciso: we're now going through the Draft SEIR determinations. So
for air quality, it was determined that no new or substantially more
severe significant impacts would occur
00:10:57.910 --> 00:11:01.700
Nicole Enciso: for air quality and health risk than what was previously
analyzed.
00:11:02.490 --> 00:11:06.470
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Nicole Enciso: Emissions and associated impacts on air quality and human
health
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00:11:06.500 --> 00:11:11.360
Nicole Enciso: were considerably lower than the impacts identified in the
1996 EIR.
00:11:12.480 --> 00:11:16.189
Nicole Enciso: emissions and associated impacts on air quality and human
health
00:11:16.270 --> 00:11:20.939
Nicole Enciso: would be less than the South Coast Air Quality Management
District or SCAQMD
00:11:21.180 --> 00:11:22.799
00:11:22.820 --> 00:11:25.440
Nicole Enciso: CEQA thresholds for all pollutants.
00:11:26.740 --> 00:11:33.950
Nicole Enciso: proposed project admissions would be less than the CEQA
Baseline, and mitigation measures are not required
00:11:35.090 --> 00:11:36.110
Nicole Enciso: next slide
00:11:39.850 --> 00:11:47.499
Nicole Enciso: for cultural resources, no new or substantially more
severe significant impacts would occur to historic,
101
00:11:47.510 --> 00:11:54.739
Nicole Enciso: archaeological, or paleontological resources. As none of
these resources have been identified on the project site.
00:11:55.610 --> 00:11:59.230
Nicole Enciso: No mitigation measures are required. However,
00:11:59.390 --> 00:12:03.240
Nicole Enciso: the following standard conditions of approval would be
implemented:
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00:12:04.010 --> 00:12:09.959
Nicole Enciso: SC CR-1: stop work in the area if archaeological resources
105
00:12:10.330 --> 00:12:12.809
Nicole Enciso: and SC CR-2:
00:12:12.900 --> 00:12:16.300
Nicole Enciso: Stop work in the area if human remains are encountered
00:12:17.910 --> 00:12:19.020
Nicole Enciso: next slide
00:12:23.030 --> 00:12:29.440
Nicole Enciso: For greenhouse gas emissions, no new or substantially more
severe significant impacts would occur
00:12:29.590 --> 00:12:33.270
Nicole Enciso: to GHG Or greenhouse gas and climate change.
00:12:34.050 --> 00:12:42.669
Nicole Enciso: The proposed project would be consistent with plans and
policies intended to reduce GHG emissions and climate change impacts.
00:12:44.350 --> 00:12:49.990
Nicole Enciso: GHG emissions would be less than the SCAQMD CEQA
thresholds.
00:12:50.860 --> 00:12:56.779
Nicole Enciso: Emissions would be less than the CEQA baseline and
mitigation measures are not required.
00:12:57.850 --> 00:12:59.180
Nicole Enciso: next slide
00:13:03.490 --> 00:13:14.769
Nicole Enciso: For hazards, no new or substantially more severe
significant impacts would occur with mitigation incorporated. For phase
one which are the continued operations,
00:13:15.440 --> 00:13:25.750
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hazard to the public or environment. 00:13:26.380 --> 00:13:27.370 Nicole Enciso: However, 00:13:27.720 --> 00:13:36.410 Nicole Enciso: this impact would be mitigated with the implementation of MM-HAZ 1 or maintenance of the existing cap. 00:13:39.010 --> 00:13:40.190 Nicole Enciso: Next slide 00:13:42.980 --> 00:13:45.549 Nicole Enciso: Phase 2, or the Restoration period 00:13:45.750 --> 00:13:56.719 Nicole Enciso: would include demolition of all on-site structures that could contain hazardous building materials. This could potentially result in a release of hazardous materials 00:13:56.760 --> 00:14:04.379 Nicole Enciso: during routine demolition activities, creating a significant impact to the public and on-site workers. 00:14:04.950 --> 00:14:11.609 Nicole Enciso: However, no new significant impacts would occur with the implementation of MM HAZ-2 00:14:11.780 --> 00:14:15.480 Nicole Enciso: Or pre-demolition hazardous materials survey and abatement. 124 00:14:16.940 --> 00:14:18.119 Nicole Enciso: Next slide 00:14:21.850 --> 00:14:34.300 Nicole Enciso: Hydrology and water quality. No new or substantially more severe significant impacts would occur to hydrology or water quality. Phase one operations would continue as 00:14:34.340 --> 00:14:36.290

Nicole Enciso: Operations could result in future degradation of the existing concrete and asphalt cap which could create a new, significant

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Nicole Enciso: under existing conditions
00:14:36.300 --> 00:14:43.690
Nicole Enciso: which would include implementation of a stormwater
pollution prevention plan and a storm water drainage control system.
00:14:44.970 --> 00:14:50.039
Nicole Enciso: Phase 2 would include remediation via removal of
contaminated soils
129
00:14:50.310 --> 00:14:57.390
Nicole Enciso: which should remove source contaminants that could have
adversely affected groundwater quality
130
00:14:57.560 --> 00:15:03.310
Nicole Enciso: and would be an improvement to existing conditions.
Mitigation measures are not required.
00:15:05.220 --> 00:15:06.430
Nicole Enciso: next slide
00:15:09.340 --> 00:15:21.669
Nicole Enciso: For cumulative impacts. The proposed project would not
contribute to cumulatively considerable impacts under CEQA for any of the
resource areas analyzed which include air quality and meteorology.
00:15:22.000 --> 00:15:29.749
Nicole Enciso: cultural resources, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards, and
hydrology and water quality.
00:15:31.440 --> 00:15:32.579
Nicole Enciso: Next slide.
00:15:36.370 --> 00:15:42.220
Nicole Enciso: We are now at the public comment portion of this meeting
speakers will be given 3 minutes to speak.
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00:15:42.620 --> 00:15:47.460
Nicole Enciso: If you wish to speak, please press the raise hand button
to provide verbal comments.
00:15:48.000 --> 00:16:01.000
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Nicole Enciso: Once your name is called, it will be stated that you have
been unmuted to speak and please state your first and last name clearly,
spell your name for the record, and identify if you are representing an
agency or organization.
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00:16:01.850 --> 00:16:09.520
Nicole Enciso: If you have joined by dialing in and wish to speak, please
raise your hand by pressing Star 9. Once it is your turn to speak,
00:16:09.580 --> 00:16:12.120
Nicole Enciso: you will hear the prompt. You have been unmuted.
00:16:12.500 --> 00:16:23.480
Nicole Enciso: Please unmute yourself by pressing Star 6, then state your
first and last name clearly, spell your name for the record and identify
if you are representing an agency or organization.
00:16:24.340 --> 00:16:29.519
Nicole Enciso: And with that, I will hand it over to Candace. We can move
on to the next slide.
00:16:35.290 --> 00:16:53.809
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, we're going to begin in public comments. I'm
going to unmute people in the order of which they have raised their
hands, and once you begin talking I will be starting the clock that you
see here on the slide. So with that,
00:16:54.070 --> 00:16:57.820
Candice Disney Magnus: Sarah Wiltfong
00:16:57.950 --> 00:17:04.650
Candice Disney Magnus: I am going to allow you to talk. You'll be
unmuted. Please provide your comments.
00:17:04.849 --> 00:17:18.050
Candice Disney Magnus: Unmute yourself, and state your first and last
name clearly. Spell your name for the record and identify if you are
representing an agency or organization. The 3 min timer will start once
you begin.
00:17:21.589 --> 00:17:29.620
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Sarah Wiltfong: Thank you. My name is Sarah Wiltfong, that's SARAH
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00:17:29.700 --> 00:17:46.789
Sarah Wiltfong: And I'm here on behalf of biz fed the Los Angeles County
Business Federation. We're an alliance of over 240 business organizations
who represent over 420,000 employers with 5 million employees in Los
Angeles county. We're here to express our support for the 10-year lease
extension for SA recycling.

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00:17:46.890 --> 00:18:10.719
Sarah Wiltfong: SA recycling supports over 100 Union and non-Union goodpaying jobs, thousands of indirect jobs, billions in annual economic
impact, while environmentally protecting our community through its
recycling efforts. We are pleased to note, as noted in the presentation
that the draft supplemental environmental impact report found no negative
environmental impacts to our region. We believe supporting this extension
is a no brainer. And we ask that you do so today. Thank you.

149 00:18:15.100 --> 00:18:16.789 Thank you for your comment

150 00:18:18.170 --> 00:18:36.399 Candice Disney Magnus: and reset. Archie Hogan, of Beacon house, you will now be unmuted. Again, please provide your comments, unmute yourself, state your first and last name, and spell your name for the record, and then identify if you're representing an agency or organization.

00:18:42.730 --> 00:19:07.349

Archie Hoggan - Beacon House: Good. Good afternoon. My name is Archie Hogan, ARCHIE last name HOGGAN And I represent the Beacon House Association of San Pedro. We are one of the 50 organizations that SA recycling and Moi Moises support in the local area. We are a nonprofit providing free drug and alcohol treatment to individuals suffering from substance abuse, so

00:19:07.540 --> 00:19:18.269
Archie Hoggan - Beacon House: helping individuals that are homeless, or, you know, have a fentanyl issue. And so I'm here today in support of SA recycling 10 year lease extension, and

00:19:18.290 --> 00:19:44.349
Archie Hoggan - Beacon House: you know, specifically for 4 reasons why.
The first reason is, the labor considerations. SA recycling provides over a hundred union and non-union jobs to people in the region. They also provide indirectly 2,300 jobs and the average salary for an individual total compensation, including benefits at SA recycling, is \$80,000. So not only providing employment, they're providing gainful employment which is

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00:19:44.350 --> 00:19:50.850
critical during this time, as costs rise in the Los Angeles area. And the
second point is the environmental
00:19:50.850 --> 00:20:09.530
Archie Hoggan - Beacon House: impact SA recycling has by diverting tons
of scrap to the landfills. You know they're providing cleaner air and water for the community. And also by just the process of recycling it can
reduce greenhouse gases up to 80%. And the third point is the economic
benefit that SA recycling has
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00:20:09.530 --> 00:20:30.899
Archie Hoggan - Beacon House: A recent Los Angeles Economic development
study showed that 1.9 billion in annual economic impact SA recycling has
269 million annual labor income and 54,000 or 54 million, excuse me in
annual state and local taxes. So they're an economic engine for the
harbor area. And the fourth point, which is
00:20:30.910 --> 00:20:34.479
Archie Hoggan - Beacon House: very near and dear to me is SA Recycling
00:20:34.640 --> 00:20:58.370
Archie Hoggan - Beacon House: supports 50 local organizations,
nonprofits, And in 2019 Beacon House was about to go under we will not be
able to provide our life saving mission to individuals suffering from,
you know, drug addiction and SA recycling and Moises and his leadership
team stepped up and they helped keep the doors open. And so they are a
huge, positive, ripple effect in the community. Wherever you go you see
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00:20:58.370 --> 00:21:15.039
Archie Hoggan - Beacon House: Moises or the SA recycling, so not only are
they giving generously, but they are helping with a lot of the issues
facing the greater Los Angeles area, whether it be homelessness or the
Fentanyl crisis. And so Beacon House and myself are in support of
160
00:21:15.170 --> 00:21:21.840
Archie Hoggan - Beacon House: the SA recycling lease extension. And we
asked that it gets granted immediately. Thank you for letting me share.
00:21:23.740 --> 00:21:25.310
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
00:21:27.220 --> 00:21:27.960
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00:21:31.100 --> 00:21:37.289
Candice Disney Magnus: Grand Vision. You'll now be unmuted to provide
your comments.
00:21:37.600 --> 00:21:41.800
Candice Disney Magnus: Please unmute yourself and spell your name for the
record
165
00:21:42.150 --> 00:21:50.610
Candice Disney Magnus: and identify if you're with an agency or
organization, the 3 min clock will start as soon as you begin.
166
00:21:56.580 --> 00:22:10.660
Grand Vision: Hello! My name is Andrew Ergon. That's ANDREW Aragon is a
ARAGON, I'm with grand vision foundation, we are a
167
00:22:10.660 --> 00:22:35.209
Grand Vision: Local Arts nonprofit here located in San Pedro. We do both
arts nonprofit, and we're an education nonprofit. And I wanted to expres
our support for SA for this for the 10-year lease extension for SA
recycling. We are in favor of this and there are several reasons why,
168
00:22:35.210 --> 00:22:46.349
Grand Vision: echoing some of the other comments have been heard here
today. SA recycling has been a supporter of our nonprofit, as well as
many other nonprofits in the area for
00:22:46.350 --> 00:22:47.469
many years.
00:22:47.780 --> 00:22:55.770
Grand Vision: We also recognize the many contributions that SA recycling
brings to our area, including
00:22:55.810 --> 00:23:01.889
Grand Vision: the many jobs it provides, both union and non-union jobs,
over a hundred in our area.
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00:23:01.970 --> 00:23:15.820
Grand Vision: That's not even to mention the substantial economic impact
brought in by their business. They are an economic, huge economic factor
here in the port area.
00:23:16.690 --> 00:23:32.960
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Grand Vision: we've also never seen a shortage of their willingness to
help out, both by providing their workers as volunteers to the local
nonprofits, which is a robust part of the culture here in San Pedro and
around the harbor area.
174
00:23:33.300 --> 00:23:40.999
Grand Vision: We also want to continue seeing the the environmental
benefits from having SA recycling here in the port.
00:23:41.020 --> 00:23:44.640
Grand Vision: Recycling is an ever-increasing part.
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00:23:44.830 --> 00:23:50.649
Grand Vision: an ever increasing and important part of Los Angeles.
00:23:51.320 --> 00:24:02.199
Grand Vision: We want to keep as much scrap metal out of our landfills a
possible. We believe that SA recycling's continued role in our community
is a huge part of that,
00:24:02.440 --> 00:24:11.420
Grand Vision: So we absolutely support this in your agreement and thank
you so much for allowing us to speak on that today.
00:24:13.560 --> 00:24:15.270
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
180
00:24:16.990 --> 00:24:28.539
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, Joe. You will be unmuted. Please provide
your comments, unmute yourself, and state your first and last name, and
spell your name for the record.
00:24:28.720 --> 00:24:30.880
Candice Disney Magnus: You'll have a 3 min timer.
00:24:35.510 --> 00:24:43.440
Joe: Yes, my name is Joe Gatlin JOE. Gatlin, GATLIN
                                                                        SARPM-4
00:24:43.510 --> 00:24:46.050
Joe: I represent the NAACP
184
00:24:46.140 --> 00:24:50.149
Joe: Branch for the LA harbor area, which is San Pedro,
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00:24:50.190 --> 00:24:52.980
Joe: Wilmington, and the Palos Verdes Peninsula.
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00:24:53.350 --> 00:25:00.959
Joe: I'm here to support the 10-year extension for SA Recycling. SA
Recycling has been a
00:25:01.090 --> 00:25:07.219
Joe: friend to the NAACP. They have, for example, last year alone
00:25:07.280 --> 00:25:12.899
Joe: we fed over 400 kids and gave them toys over Christmas. without the
support of
189
00:25:13.570 --> 00:25:18.339
Joe: SA recycling, and other groups like that, it could have never
happened. They've been a friend
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00:25:19.590 --> 00:25:24.130
Joe: in our community. Especially in a black community
00:25:24.140 --> 00:25:26.629
Joe: we live in, many of the areas where
00:25:27.300 --> 00:25:37.269
Joe: the toxics and and cars are being left in the car, on the streets
and in the alleys. But because of SA recycling, many of these cars were
being cleaned up.
193
00:25:37.400 --> 00:25:39.170
Joe: So again they've been a friend.
194
00:25:39.600 --> 00:25:44.669
Joe: We are a huge supporter of them, and anything we can do to support
their tenure lease we will
00:25:44.710 --> 00:25:47.320
Joe: again. Joe Gatlin, NAACP,
00:25:48.050 --> 00:25:50.189
Joe: LA Harbor area. Thank you.
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00:25:51.800 --> 00:25:53.320
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
198
00:25:55.310 --> 00:25:57.950
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, Arturo Lindo.
199
00:25:58.280 --> 00:26:06.960
Candice Disney Magnus: You'll be unmuted. Please provide your comments,
state your first and last name for the record, and spell it for the
record.
200
00:26:07.180 --> 00:26:09.659
Candice Disney Magnus: and you'll have 3 min to speak.
00:26:25.010 --> 00:26:28.819
Candice Disney Magnus: Arturo, you might need to unmute yourself
202
00:26:37.070 --> 00:26:38.260
Candice Disney Magnus: when you are up.
00:26:41.980 --> 00:26:48.570
Arturo Lindo SBCC: Sorry. Hello! Oh, there we go. Okay. Sorry. That's
okay. Thanks.
00:26:48.610 --> 00:27:03.190
Arturo Lindo SBCC: Good afternoon everyone. My name's Arturo Lindo my
name's Spelled ARTURO LINDO and I represent SBCC here in Wilmington. I'm
also a native of San Pedro as a resident.
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00:27:03.550 --> 00:27:05.699
Arturo Lindo SBCC: and I support the
                                                                           SARPM-5
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00:27:05.850 --> 00:27:17.580
Arturo Lindo SBCC: 10 year lease extension with SA to continue their hard
work and their mission towards cleaner air and water in the region, and
just the benefits they have towards the environment.
00:27:17.770 --> 00:27:20.669
Arturo Lindo SBCC: And that's pretty much all I have to say for today.
00:27:22.410 --> 00:27:26.619
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Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you. Thank you for your comment.
00:27:26.750 --> 00:27:27.699
Arturo Lindo SBCC: You're welcome.
00:27:28.250 --> 00:27:29.129
00:27:29.600 --> 00:27:37.199
Candice Disney Magnus: Ely Fournier. I'm going to unmute you. Please
provide your comments,
00:27:37.420 --> 00:27:43.479
Candice Disney Magnus: state your name, first and last name, and spell
your name for the record. You'll have 3 min to speak.
213
00:27:43.790 --> 00:27:49.770
Ely fournier: Thank you. My name is Ely Fornier, ELY FOURNIER,
00:27:49.850 --> 00:27:55.910
Ely fournier: I am a longtime Wilmington, resident, community member,
00:27:55.980 --> 00:28:09.520
Ely fournier: and I also represent SBCC nonprofit organization we work
and partner with residents countywide. And I'm here in support of the 10
Year Lease Extension Agreement for SA recycling
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00:28:09.680 --> 00:28:29.650
Ely fournier: On a personal level, I would add that as a community member
and resident, I've had the opportunity to visit SA recycling facilities
and had the opportunity to meet Moises, great leadership, great team.
This is a company that's definitely invested in their communities
00:28:29.650 --> 00:28:51.710
Ely fournier: invested in Wilmington. The work that they are doing,
Environmentally speaking, socially speaking, I don't understand what's
been such the hardships for them to move this forward. They definitely
represent the type of companies that we need in our communities that are
truly making an impact, economically speaking, but then, as well as
they're giving
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00:28:51.710 --> 00:29:00.400
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Ely fournier: so definitely here to support SA recycling as much as we can for our community, for our residents and for our future. Thank you.

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00:29:02.820 --> 00:29:04.519
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
00:29:06.060 --> 00:29:09.220
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay Anh Nguyen,
00:29:09.590 --> 00:29:17.290
Candice Disney Magnus: You will now be unmuted if you'll provide your
comment, state your first and last name, and spell your name for the
00:29:28.050 --> 00:29:30.610
Candice Disney Magnus: and might need to unmute yourself.
00:29:31.570 --> 00:29:34.530
Candice Disney Magnus: There we go. I think it's working now. Good
afternoon.
224
00:29:34.770 --> 00:29:39.150
Anh Nguyen: Anh Nguyen. With the Central City Association. Spelled ANH
00:29:39.290 --> 00:30:01.270
Anh Nguyen: NGUYEN. CCA represents approximately 300 member organizations
committed to advancing policies and projects that enhance downtown's
vibrancy and also increase economic opportunity across the region. We
strongly support extension of this
226
00:30:01.400 --> 00:30:17.830
Anh Nguyen: lease this afternoon, because it does precisely that.
Increase opportunity throughout the region. A recent economic study
measure the impact of this company on the greater Los Angeles basin and
the numbers are staggering and worth repeating again today
00:30:18.180 --> 00:30:22.580
Anh Nguyen: over 1 billion in annual economic impact.
00:30:22.650 --> 00:30:32.049
Anh Nguyen: almost 270 million in annual labor income and 54 million in
state and local taxes that can fund many of the
00:30:32.550 --> 00:30:56.079
Anh Nguyen: ongoing quality of life improvements that we all see and need
in Los Angeles. There's not much more you can ask for in a company in our
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engaged in the community throughout harbor and in South Bay they employ
hundreds of long standing union and non-union workers
00:30:56.080 --> 00:31:10.660
Anh Nguyen: at Terminal Island, and not to mention the significant
economic benefits their work brings. For all these reasons we approve- We
urge approval of their 10-year lease extension. Thank you very much.
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00:31:12.900 --> 00:31:14.580
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
00:31:14.760 --> 00:31:20.249
Candice Disney Magnus: okay, Barry Waite,
00:31:20.530 --> 00:31:28.020
Candice Disney Magnus: You'll now be unmuted, and please provide your
comments. State your first and last name, and spell your name for the
record.
234
00:31:40.540 --> 00:31:41.630
Candice Disney Magnus: Sorry.
00:31:47.570 --> 00:31:53.280
Candice Disney Magnus: Barry, you might. It looks like you're unmuted. Do
you have a comment
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00:31:56.800 --> 00:31:58.309
Barry Waite: now, are you hearing me?
00:31:58.380 --> 00:32:13.860
Barry Waite: Okay, there we go. Let's try again. I'm Barry Waite, BARRY
WAITE, I'm the President and CEO of Carson, Chamber of Commerce. I did
not realize that so many of our community partners would be in this
meeting today. So hello to everyone,
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00:32:14.400 --> 00:32:38.190
Barry Waite: Rather than reiterate. I will just add this, that they have
been a great partner to us in the community and helping get things done.
We appreciate them very much. They're always there when things need to be
done, above and beyond the call of duty and things that are not
necessarily in their own financial interest, but just things that need to
be done in the community. And I'll add this to that.
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opinion. SA are a responsible Tenant, respected corporate citizen, and

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00:32:38.220 --> 00:32:48.279
Barry Waite: And you know, we talk about negative environmental impacts
of a project. But this project is a rare project that is a positive
environmental impact.
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00:32:48.360 --> 00:33:14.709
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Barry Waite: So I visited the site, it is amazingly clean. The employees
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are very fastidious in their work, and clearly this is a high priority to
the company operating in a clean and proper fashion. I was amazed with
with how well they were doing at containing any dust. There was no dust,
there was no runoff from the site. And things were operated in a very
responsible fashion.
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00:33:14.710 --> 00:33:26.710
Barry Waite: This is the kind of thing that we need to need to encourage
as we become greener in the future. So again, thank you for your time,
and I will leave it at that.
00:33:28.500 --> 00:33:30.109
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
00:33:31.420 --> 00:33:42.010
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, Erik Nielsen, you'll be unmuted now, if you
will state your name, first and last name and spell your name for the
record.
00:33:42.510 --> 00:33:45.099
Candice Disney Magnus: We will have 3Â min to speak.
00:33:49.400 --> 00:34:03.020
Nielson, Erik: Good afternoon. My name is Erik Nielsen, ERIK NIELSON. I
am the principal of Moneta High School, which is located adjacent to
Gardena High School.
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00:34:03.260 --> 00:34:06.230
Nielson, Erik: I would like to express my gratitude
                                                                           SARPM-9
00:34:06.350 --> 00:34:24.330
Nielson, Erik: and speak on behalf of SA recycling's positive impact on
this community and, more importantly, to the students of Moneta High
School. For those of you who do not know what an options high school is,
we cater to students who are between the ages of 15 and 19, who, for many
reasons
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00:34:24.449 --> 00:34:31.989
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Nielson, Erik: have not been successful in the traditional high school
model. Many of our students are behind in credits
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00:34:32.000 --> 00:34:38.269
Nielson, Erik: due to homelessness, disruptions, medical absences, and
educational barriers during the pandemic.
00:34:38.320 --> 00:34:44.579
Nielson, Erik: Our partnership with Share fest has provided students with
additional resources
00:34:45.010 --> 00:34:54.899
Nielson, Erik: to not only graduate but also have a career plan. As a
principal. I have witnessed the struggle of many of my students who face
significant barriers to graduation
252
00:34:55.060 --> 00:35:08.129
Nielson, Erik: SA recycling and sharefest have bridged the gap to provide
students like the youth who attend Moneta with opportunities that are
traditionally not provided to them. Last year
00:35:08.280 --> 00:35:10.240
Nielson, Erik: SA recycling
00:35:10.510 --> 00:35:30.700
Nielson, Erik: And their regional general manager, Moises Figueroa, came
to speak at our school regarding job opportunities in the Port, thanks to
Moises and his team, the students felt very inspired for more information
and the potential of careers that awaited them after graduation. SA
00:35:30.700 --> 00:35:41.050
Nielson, Erik: recycling provided additional resources by taking my
entire school on a field trip to the facility in the port of Los Angeles
00:35:41.280 --> 00:35:50.319
Nielson, Erik: sharing more about the work that they do and the
opportunities that they could have for our students futures Mr Figueroa
00:35:50.630 --> 00:36:11.959
Nielson, Erik: Stated during that visit that if any of my students were
interested in working at SA, that they were willing to work with with
them, and they would love to contribute to their success. Taking that to
heart, One of my students at Moneta applied for a paid internship where
he was able to get hands on experience
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00:36:12.070 --> 00:36:22.089
Nielson, Erik: in the workforce, teaching him the skills that he can take
with him for the rest of his life. After his internship, this student
became one of our top students,
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00:36:22.140 --> 00:36:33.600
Nielson, Erik: Raised his GPA from barely passing to a 3.074, and I'm
                                                                           contd.
happy to say that he has been accepted at 4 CSU campuses.
00:36:33.630 --> 00:36:42.209
Nielson, Erik: Part of his turnaround was directly related to SA
recycling's internship program, and I would just like to say, thank you
on behalf of our community.
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00:36:43.800 --> 00:36:45.810
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you very much for your comment.
00:36:46.840 --> 00:36:55.019
Candice Disney Magnus: Ok. Celia. from SBCC. You will now be unmuted.
00:36:55.060 --> 00:37:03.430
Candice Disney Magnus: and please provide your name first and last, Spell
your name for the record, and you'll have 3 min to speak.
00:37:09.980 --> 00:37:10.850
CA-Celia SBCC: Hello!
00:37:11.450 --> 00:37:19.530
CA-Celia SBCC: Hi! Hello! My name is Celia Salas, CELIA. Salas, SALAS.
00:37:19.590 --> 00:37:26.270
CA-Celia SBCC: And I am representing SBCC, one of the 50 organizations
that S and A supports
                                                                         SARPM-10
00:37:26.310 --> 00:37:28.990
CA-Celia SBCC: throughout the harbor and South Bay areas.
00:37:29.170 --> 00:37:40.809
CA-Celia SBCC: and I am in support of the 10 Year Lease extension
agreement for SA recycling to continue their work towards cleaner air and
water in the region. Thank you.
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00:37:42.450 --> 00:37:44.449
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you very much for your comment.
00:37:45.840 --> 00:37:49.250
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, Dollie A
00:37:49.340 --> 00:37:51.510
Candice Disney Magnus: You'll now be unmuted.
00:37:51.740 --> 00:37:59.150
Candice Disney Magnus: Please state your name, first and last, and spell
your name for the record, and you'll have 3 min to speak.
00:38:06.820 --> 00:38:07.510
00:38:09.820 --> 00:38:12.039
Dollie A.: Hello! Can you hear me? Yes.
00:38:12.490 --> 00:38:13.610
Candice Disney Magnus: okay, perfect.
00:38:14.010 --> 00:38:31.050
Dollie A.: My name is Dollie Adaya, DOLLIE ADAYA. And I'm also a
Wilmington community member through SBCC. And I'm here to support the
ten-year recycling lease extension as well, and that's all I had to say.
So thank you so much.
00:38:31.930 --> 00:38:33.819
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you very much for the comment.
00:38:35.420 --> 00:38:36.710
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay.
00:38:37.070 --> 00:38:40.970
Candice Disney Magnus: Octavio Ramirez.
00:38:41.380 --> 00:38:48.599
Candice Disney Magnus: You will now be unmuted. Please state your name
and spell it for the record, and you'll have 3 min to speak.
00:38:54.800 --> 00:39:00.730
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Octavio Ramirez- SBCC Thrive LA: Hi, everyone! My name's Octavio Ramirez,
that's OCTAVIO
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00:39:00.850 --> 00:39:03.639
Octavio Ramirez- SBCC Thrive LA: RAMIREZ.
00:39:03.880 --> 00:39:11.589
Octavio Ramirez- SBCC Thrive LA: I have the privilege of working and
living in Wilmington I work for SBCC.
                                                                         SARPM-12
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00:39:11.830 --> 00:39:31.829
Octavio Ramirez- SBCC Thrive LA: as an avid gardener and composter, I
know the importance of reusing and reducing, So any any effort that we
can have in reducing the amount of waste going to our landfills, I'm all
for.
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00:39:31.910 --> 00:39:39.710
Octavio Ramirez- SBCC Thrive LA: So with saying that I am in support of
SA recycling 10 year lease agreement. Thank you.
00:39:41.340 --> 00:39:42.960
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
00:39:45.460 --> 00:39:48.690
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, Rick.
00:39:49.560 --> 00:39:52.900
Candice Disney Magnus: Aguayo. Please.
00:39:53.650 --> 00:40:01.359
Candice Disney Magnus: You'll now be unmuted, and please state your first
and last name, and spell your name for the record. You'll have 3 min to
speak.
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00:40:06.570 --> 00:40:08.279
Rick Aguayo: Hi, good afternoon! Can you guys hear me?
00:40:08.510 --> 00:40:09.310
Candice Disney Magnus: Yes.
                                                                          SARPH-13
00:40:09.570 --> 00:40:14.099
Rick Aguayo: perfect. My name is Rick Aguayo. First name Rick RICK.
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00:40:14.140 --> 00:40:26.859
Rick Aguayo: Aguayo AGUAYO I'm also a long time Wilmington community
member, also with SBCC and like many others on this call, I had
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00:40:26.890 --> 00:40:41.949
Rick Aguayo: the privilege and the ability to visit the SA recycling site SARPM-13
here in the port, and I strongly support this 10 year Lease agreement.
They're doing good things by allowing all this scrap from our communities contd.
and and preventing all the the waste
295
00:40:42.010 --> 00:40:56.129
Rick Aguayo: to to get back into the communities and and keeping our
environmental clean, our environment really clean. So I'm all for their
workforce development efforts as well. I strongly support SA recycling
and what they're doing. Thank you so much. I appreciate your time.
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00:40:57.970 --> 00:40:59.609
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
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00:41:01.000 --> 00:41:08.209
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, Thomas Jelenic, we unmute your now, please
state your name
00:41:08.220 --> 00:41:14.060
Candice Disney Magnus: first and last for the record and and you'll have
3 min to speak.
00:41:28.580 --> 00:41:31.339
Thomas Jelenić: Good afternoon. My name is Thomas Jelenic
00:41:31.570 --> 00:41:39.669
Thomas Jeleniä: THOMAS JELENIC. I'm with the Pacific Merchant Shipping
Association, PMSA
                                                                         SARPM-14
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00:41:39.680 --> 00:41:49.029
Is a trade association that represents the marine terminal operators and
ocean carriers that operate in the port of Los Angeles and along the US
West coast.
00:41:49.400 --> 00:41:57.610
Thomas Jeleniä: We are here to support the approval of the EIR and the
Lease extension for SA recycling
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00:41:57.670 --> 00:42:04.419
SA has been a good environmental steward operating on this site since
2007 and continues to
00:42:05.040 --> 00:42:16.249
Thomas JeleniÄt: plans to continue operating the recycling business in a
similar improved manner during the lease extension. Using recycled metal
to make new steel decreases
305
00:42:16.470 --> 00:42:23.159
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Thomas Jeleniä: greenhouse gases by up to 80%. And that is consistent
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with the port of LA's goals for decarbonization
00:42:23.410 --> 00:42:36.219
Thomas Jelenić: for that, and the many other reasons you've already
heard from many other speakers today. PMSA supports the 10 Year lease
extension for SA and the approval of the supplemental EIR
00:42:36.230 --> 00:42:37.540
Thomas Jeleniä: Thank you for your time.
00:42:38.970 --> 00:42:40.600
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
00:42:42.260 --> 00:42:50.640
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, San Pedro Chamber of Commerce. Going to
unmute you. Now please state your name
00:42:50.880 --> 00:42:56.729
Candice Disney Magnus: for the record, first and last, and you'll have
3 min to speak.
00:43:04.110 --> 00:43:06.659
Candice Disney Magnus: I might need to unmute.
00:43:09.350 --> 00:43:33.089
San Pedro Chamber of Commerce: Thank you. Sorry about that, Elise
Swanson, ELISE SWANSON. President and CEO of the San Pedro Chamber of
Commerce, and the San Pedro Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors
strongly supports SA recycling's ten-year lease extension request at the
port of Los Angeles.
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00:43:33.090 --> 00:43:46.019
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San Pedro Chamber of Commerce: SA Recycling has been an important tenant
operating a state of the art facility. I have personally toured SA
recycling and witnessed their operations.
00:43:46.340 --> 00:44:11.310
San Pedro Chamber of Commerce: our chamber spends hundreds of hours
literally working on quality of life issues in the harbor area, including
dumping. We truly appreciate the work that SA recycling does in
supporting our neighborhoods. Older vehicles and appliances make up much
of the metals recycled by SA, but without the opportunity to recycle the SARPM15
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00:44:11.310 --> 00:44:35.879
San Pedro Chamber of Commerce: items. Unrecycled washers, dryers, ovens,
and water heaters would litter our streets. This business is crucial for
a better environment and critical to Los Angeles' efforts to reduce its
carbon footprint. As stated today, the DSEIR Supports that there are no
significant environmental impacts by the lease extension.
00:44:35.880 --> 00:44:48.589
San Pedro Chamber of Commerce: The Chamber strongly urges a quick and
swift approval of SA's lease extension to ensure that we can continue to
maintain and grow our local and regional economy. Thank you.
00:44:50.470 --> 00:44:51.980
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
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00:44:54.700 --> 00:45:09.119
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, Sal DiCostanzo please. You'll be unmuted
now, and please state your first and last name, and spell it for the
record, and you'll have 3 min to speak.
00:45:14.690 --> 00:45:17.320
Candice Disney Magnus: You might need to unmute. Okay.
00:45:20.630 --> 00:45:22.010
Sal DiCostanzo, ILWU Local 13: Hi! Can you hear me now?
00:45:22.090 --> 00:45:36.350
Sal DiCostanzo, ILWU Local 13: Yes, okay, thank you for this opportunity. My name is Sal DiCostanzo. It's SAL DICOSTANZO DI capital
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And I'm with ILWU local 13.
00:45:36.760 --> 00:45:44.550
Sal DiCostanzo, ILWU Local 13: wanted to give our support for the 10
year lease extension for SA recycling
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00:45:44.920 --> 00:45:58.119
Sal DiCostanzo, ILWU Local 13: We have several members of local 13 as
well as local 26 that work at the facility. Some have worked there for
long, long time, meaning decades. And some families are even there multi
generationally.
00:45:58.180 --> 00:46:07.250
Sal DiCostanzo, ILWU Local 13: they've been a great partner to work
with. And while most people think of the America's port as mostly a
container port,
00:46:07.400 --> 00:46:23.449
Sal DiCostanzo, ILWU Local 13: while that is true, there are other
commodities that come through that are equally as important. We have
break bulk, bulk, cruiseship, and all of it is important to the ecosystem
here that creates- that is the economic engine for this area.
00:46:23.470 --> 00:46:48.599
Sal DiCostanzo, ILWU Local 13: So we would like to echo some of the
things that have been said tonight. And personally, I find it very
gratifying that the the work that our members do at at SA recycling
contributes to their ability to give back to the communities and the
various ways that that have been mentioned tonight. We recently were
given an opportunity to have our leadership at an event on site
327
00:46:48.600 --> 00:47:16.809
Sal DiCostanzo, ILWU Local 13: where we did meet the aforementioned
Moises Figueroa to celebrate the 5 million tons of recycled metals that
have been moved by an all-electric mobile crane that our members operate
It was a fantastic event, was well attended, and it's a tribute to to
their ability to move cargo efficiently. And to really, you know, close
the loop. We import a lot of goods, and when those goods are spent.
00:47:16.890 --> 00:47:27.290
Sal DiCostanzo, ILWU Local 13: if they're whether they're a car or
refrigerator, or a washing machine it has to go somewhere, and it is far
superior to have it scrapped
00:47:27.340 --> 00:47:45.460
Sal DiCostanzo, ILWU Local 13: and sent overseas to be turned into
something than to mine new metals, or to just simply simply bury it into
our landfills. So we are enthusiastic, we are in enthusiastic support of
granting this 10 year extension to SA Recycling, and thank you for the
opportunity to speak here tonight.
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00:47:47.370 --> 00:47:49.139
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
00:47:51.060 --> 00:48:04.009
Candice Disney Magnus: Dora Segovia, you'll now be unmuted. Please
provide your comments, unmute yourself, and state your first and last
name for the record. You'll have 3 min to speak.
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00:48:14.250 --> 00:48:17.380
Dora Segovia: Buenas Tardes, me escuchan?
00:48:18.280 --> 00:48:20.029
Candice Disney Magnus: Yes, we can hear you.
00:48:25.650 --> 00:48:34.859
Dora Segovia: Yes, we can hear you.
00:48:35.060 --> 00:48:38.840
Dora Segovia: Gracias, Mi nombre es Dora Gabriella Segovia, soy residente
de aqui de la comunidad de Wilmington, y estoy representando a SBCC, mi
apoyo es para abogar por la extension de este contrato para la compania
SA Recycling ya que este compania apoya positivamente a dos de los
grandes problemas que hay en mi comunidad. Que bien haciendo a trabajos y
estabilidad economica, y la contaminación el medio ambiente. También esta SARPM17
compania bien apoyo mucho organizaciones aqui en mi comunidad .. Siempre
estan apoyandonos y ayudandonos con recursos y con differente maneras
para prepararnos. Tambien ellos trabajan con el programa que contaminan
mucho por el medioambiente .....
00:48:57.230 --> 00:48:59.400
Dora Segovia:
00:49:22.570 --> 00:49:53.550
Dora Segovia: y Muchas Gracias.
00:49:55.680 --> 00:49:57.679
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you very much for your comment.
00:50:00.630 --> 00:50:04.189
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, Yolanda de La Torre.
00:50:04.250 --> 00:50:15.620
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the record, and you'll have 3 min.
00:50:23.640 --> 00:50:30.879
Yolanda DeLaTorre: Okay, good afternoon. My name's Yolanda de la Tore,
spelled YOLANDA last name DE LA TORRE
342
00:50:30.980 --> 00:50:46.489
Yolanda DeLaTorre: And I'm the Vice President of the Wilmington Gardena
Carson and San Pedro, YMCAs. And I would like to speak in support of SA
recycling 10 year lease, extension
00:50:46.820 --> 00:50:57.650
Yolanda DeLaTorre: I echo the comments that have been shared. I believe
that SA recycling brings a lot more benefits to our community, both
economically and environmentally.
00:50:58.050 --> 00:51:14.579
Yolanda DeLaTorre: I also had the opportunity to visit SA recycling, an
I have to say that I was very impressed, by the way that they do business, and the way that their company's kept, I was impressed by the SARPM18
Mega shredder. And how this
00:51:15.070 --> 00:51:19.319
Yolanda DeLaTorre: massive tool helps facilitate recycling
00:51:19.440 --> 00:51:22.539
Yolanda DeLaTorre: and as a community
00:51:22.850 --> 00:51:34.180
Yolanda DeLaTorre: member, I also live in Wilmington. I believe that yo
know that the the outcomes of having SA recycling in our community are
great, great, great as
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00:51:34.200 --> 00:51:45.090
Yolanda DeLaTorre: a Y.M.C.A. Nonprofit organization. I'm very grateful
that Moises and the employees, that SA recycling are very involved, not
not only philanthropically
00:51:45.110 --> 00:51:51.130
Yolanda DeLaTorre: but also in projects that we we bring to our
community. So
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Candice Disney Magnus: please. You'll now be unmuted. Please provide your comments. State your first and last name, and spell your name for

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00:51:51.150 --> 00:51:59.709
Yolanda DeLaTorre: I am in support, and then our organizations are also
supporting this extension. So thank you for the opportunity to speak.
00:52:01.950 --> 00:52:03.530
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
00:52:06.280 --> 00:52:19.840
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, Louisa Gratz, you'll be unmuted. Now, please provide your comment, state your first and last name for the record, and
identify. If you're within the agency you'll have 3 min to speak.
353
00:52:24.740 --> 00:52:38.800
Luisa Gratz: Good afternoon, everybody, and thank you for this
opportunity to join with community and union and neighborhood people who
support the environment.
00:52:38.930 --> 00:52:48.019
Luisa Gratz: I'm very honored to have been able to hear the comments of
the proceeding individuals
00:52:48.660 --> 00:53:00.629
Luisa Gratz: whose comments I will not repeat and use the time, because
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it would be redundant. But I'm proud to be part of a group of
participants that think like I do.
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00:53:00.650 --> 00:53:14.459
Luisa Gratz: We've represented local 26 is our Union ILWU. We've
represented the workforce at SA recycling on Terminal Island since the
late 50's, early 60's.
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00:53:15.510 --> 00:53:24.930
Luisa Gratz: And I will tell you that through Moises' efforts, and the
new ownership of SA recycling, they've made amazing changes.
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00:53:25.010 --> 00:53:39.630
Luisa Gratz: I remember when I could not walk on the property because I'd
be in water up to my hips, and now I don't even need rain boots. The
place is spotless, but more important to me is the future.
00:53:40.080 --> 00:53:43.589
Luisa Gratz: The Vincent Thomas Bridge is going to come down.
00:53:43.630 --> 00:53:57.359
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Luisa Gratz: SA recycling needs to be at a very close range to pick up
the materials that will be broken down to replace the parts of that
bridge as it is rebuilt.
00:53:57.630 --> 00:54:07.010
Luisa Gratz: and it would be a tremendous burden on the port and the
terminals and the construction providers
00:54:07.040 --> 00:54:14.870
Luisa Gratz: to have to remove that in a different way. SA recycling's
lease needs to be
00:54:14.990 --> 00:54:42.329
Luisa Gratz: supported for not only 10 years, but into the future. They
provide a valuable service to not only our community, but all the people
that came forward. I'm just amazed at the number of people that were
willing to come forward, and I'm grateful for that service that SA
recycling provides to our neighbors our friends. And just to say one more
thing.
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00:54:42.390 --> 00:54:56.019
Luisa Gratz: there is no environmental problem that causes health
problems to our members. We have a healthy workforce, and SA recycling
fully pays the medical insurance pensions and wages,
00:54:56.020 --> 00:55:13.620
Luisa Gratz: and they're productive partners in our negotiations for
collective bargaining. So I much appreciate this opportunity, and I thank
the other speakers and the Port Commissioners for having this public
testimony. It's for a good cause. Thank you.
00:55:15.010 --> 00:55:16.589
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
00:55:18.460 --> 00:55:24.180
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, Minh Luu of the BGC Long Beach.
00:55:24.530 --> 00:55:32.539
Candice Disney Magnus: You will now be unmuted to provide your comments
and then
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00:55:32.740 --> 00:55:37.949
Candice Disney Magnus: state your name clearly for the record. You'll
have 3 min to speak.
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00:55:42.780 --> 00:55:53.460
Minh Luu- BGC Long Beach: Good evening, everyone Minh Luu, Director of
Development, and partnerships at boys and girls, clubs of Long Beach.
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00:55:53.990 --> 00:56:02.060
Minh Luu- BGC Long Beach: First name. Last name is Luu LUU. The mission
of the Boys and girls clubs is to able to enable all young people,
especially those
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00:56:02.090 --> 00:56:17.030
Minh Luu- BGC Long Beach: who need us most to reach their full potential
as productive caring and responsible citizens. I echo my colleagues who
are here today on the call, as we strongly support the 10 Year Lease
agreement
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00:56:17.260 --> 00:56:26.059
Minh Luu- BGC Long Beach: for SA recycling, Moises and his team. And are
satisfied with the draft supplement environmental impact report
00:56:26.300 --> 00:56:28.519
Minh Luu- BGC Long Beach: has addressed all
00:56:29.030 --> 00:56:33.929
Minh Luu- BGC Long Beach: relevant environment issues and found no
negative environment impacts
376
00:56:33.950 --> 00:56:45.250
Minh Luu- BGC Long Beach: 4 points that I'd like to go over for support
on the business side. SA recycling, it's part of a circular economic
model. Where materials are reused
00:56:45.890 --> 00:56:50.090
Minh Luu- BGC Long Beach: and recycled rather than being disposed of
00:56:50.560 --> 00:56:53.690
Minh Luu- BGC Long Beach: on the environmental benefits.
00:56:53.830 --> 00:57:03.410
Minh Luu- BGC Long Beach: SA recycling that works millions of tons of
scraps away from landfills and has contributed to the cleaner air and
water quality in the industry
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00:57:03.830 --> 00:57:10.870
Minh Luu- BGC Long Beach: On the labor front. SA recycling employs more
than a 125 Union non-union workers
00:57:12.450 --> 00:57:17.790
Minh Luu- BGC Long Beach: and aligns our program with workforce
development. We want our
382
00:57:17.900 --> 00:57:22.409
Minh Luu- BGC Long Beach: youth and teams in the future to have an
opportunity to work at
383
00:57:22.530 --> 00:57:29.630
Minh Luu- BGC Long Beach: such a great company within the area that they
live in through SA recycling. And then, most importantly.
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00:57:31.090 --> 00:57:37.470
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Minh Luu- BGC Long Beach: the community benefits with Moises and his tea
and SA recycling, supporting more than 50 organizations
00:57:37.710 --> 00:57:44.879
Minh Luu- BGC Long Beach: in the harbor South Bay, Long Beach Area. As
true community investors for us
00:57:45.470 --> 00:57:47.329
Minh Luu- BGC Long Beach: to the young people that we serve.
00:57:47.460 --> 00:57:49.570
Minh Luu- BGC Long Beach: Thank you for this evening.
00:57:52.390 --> 00:57:54.080
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
00:57:55.420 --> 00:57:56.370
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay?
00:57:57.050 --> 00:58:01.239
Candice Disney Magnus: Kuana la Lamana.
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00:58:02.160 --> 00:58:10.210
Candice Disney Magnus: you'll now be unmuted. Please state your name and
spell your name for the record, and you'll have 3 min to speak.
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00:58:20.680 --> 00:58:23.349
Candice Disney Magnus: and you might need to unmute yourself.
00:58:38.030 --> 00:58:40.510
Candice Disney Magnus: Kawana, do you have a comment.
00:58:55.820 --> 00:58:56.850
Candice Disney Magnus: Kawana?
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00:59:03.740 --> 00:59:06.120
Candice Disney Magnus: We might have
00:59:06.680 --> 00:59:09.650
Candice Disney Magnus: some technical difficulties.
00:59:09.740 --> 00:59:18.789
Nicole Enciso: It looks like that's the case, Kawana. If you would like
to type your comment into the FAQ Portion, I can read it into the record.
If you're having mic troubles.
00:59:19.080 --> 00:59:20.100
Nicole Enciso: so we'll
00:59:20.600 --> 00:59:24.139
Nicole Enciso: come back. Move on to the next commenter and come back to
400
00:59:25.340 --> 00:59:26.360
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay.
00:59:27.330 --> 00:59:31.270
Candice Disney Magnus: so, Sandra Farias.
00:59:33.280 --> 00:59:43.570
Candice Disney Magnus: If you- you'll now be unmuted, please state your
first and last name, and spell your name for the record, and you'll have
3 min to speak.
403
00:59:56.140 --> 00:59:57.170
Candice Disney Magnus: Sandra.
404
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01:00:01.260 --> 01:00:03.600
Candice Disney Magnus: and you might need to unmute yourself.
01:00:15.000 --> 01:00:16.080
Candice Disney Magnus: Sandra.
01:00:21.710 --> 01:00:25.010
Candice Disney Magnus: Hmm! Seems like we're having.
01:00:25.060 --> 01:00:28.159
Candice Disney Magnus: Oh, there you go! There you go now we can hear
408
01:00:47.510 --> 01:00:53.550
Sandra Farias: Si Mi nombre es Sandra Farias, pertenezco a la
organizacion SBCC y estoy a favor de renova para SA recycling encontrato
de diez anos arrendamiento
01:00:53.560 --> 01:00:55.320
Sandra Farias:
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01:01:04.440 --> 01:01:10.330
Sandra Farias:
01:01:21.310 --> 01:01:22.730
Sandra Farias: Gracias
01:01:23.040 --> 01:01:24.589
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
01:01:26.660 --> 01:01:27.530
Sandra Farias: Gracias
01:01:27.790 --> 01:01:29.420
Candice Disney Magnus: okay. Thank you.
415
01:01:29.610 --> 01:01:42.540
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay. Now we're going to move on to Ester
Hernandez. We're going to unmute you please unmute yourself, and state
your name and first and last name and spell it for the record.
416
01:01:51.940 --> 01:01:52.890
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Candice Disney Magnus: Ester.
01:01:58.250 --> 01:01:59.729
Candice Disney Magnus: Ester, can you hear?
01:02:03.930 --> 01:02:05.640
Candice Disney Magnus: You might need to unmute
01:02:10.920 --> 01:02:13.210
Esther HernÃ; ndez: Buenas Tardes, me escuchen?
01:02:13.840 --> 01:02:15.640
Candice Disney Magnus: Yes, now we can hear you
01:02:18.180 --> 01:02:20.250
Esther HernÃ;ndez: Buenas Tardes
01:02:21.970 --> 01:02:22.720
Sandra Farias: Huh?
01:02:24.590 --> 01:02:30.960
Esther HernÃ; ndez: Mi nombre es Esther Hernandez,
01:02:31.000 --> 01:02:33.769
Esther HernÃ; ndez: Soy miembro de comunidad
01:02:33.950 --> 01:02:38.939
Esther HernÃ; ndez: ...
01:02:49.350 --> 01:02:52.239
427
01:03:11.860 --> 01:03:13.890
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you very much for your comment.
01:03:15.440 --> 01:03:17.599
Nicole Enciso: Candace. I'll go ahead and read in
01:03:17.740 --> 01:03:19.160
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Candice Disney Magnus: Kuana's. Okay.

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430
01:03:19.530 --> 01:03:24.190
Nicole Enciso: record due to the mic issues. So I apologize for any
mispronunciation. But
431
01:03:24.340 --> 01:03:40.490
Nicole Enciso: good afternoon. My name is Kwana Lymana. I want to first
thank the port of Los Angeles for providing this opportunity to provide
public comment on the draft supplemental environmental impact report for
SA recycling's application to extend its lease at the port for another 10
years.
432
01:03:40.790 --> 01:03:44.849
Nicole Enciso: and the development manager of the nonprofit organization
Sharefest
01:03:44.880 --> 01:03:52.379
Nicole Enciso: where we serve over 300 students from 7 continuation high
schools and one traditional high school throughout the harbor area.
434
01:03:52.760 --> 01:03:57.550
Nicole Enciso: We provide hope and pathways to economic success for
students who need it the most.
01:03:57.630 --> 01:04:16.659
Nicole Enciso: We are one of over 50 charities throughout the harbor and SARPM-23
south Bay area that SA recycling supports both financially and
interactively. Since 2010 SA recycling's continued support has enabled
Sharefest to give youth facing significant barriers the skills, support
and connections they need to achieve economic success.
01:04:16.900 --> 01:04:21.400
Nicole Enciso: This past year SA recycling furthered its impact to the
community
437
01:04:21.550 --> 01:04:32.719
Nicole Enciso: by leading a speaker panel at several of our continuation
high schools, providing these at-risk students with firsthand knowledge
of the workforce and additional career paths for a brighter future.
01:04:32.920 --> 01:04:39.509
Nicole Enciso: SA also went above and beyond with their investment in the
local community by providing a student with a summer internship.
439
01:04:39.900 --> 01:04:51.829
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Nicole Enciso: Additionally, since 2020 SA's Regional general Manager
Moises Figueroa has been a sheriff's board member, where he devotes his
time and resources to empower the youth we serve and transform their
futures.
440
01:04:51.900 --> 01:05:02.000
Nicole Enciso: I can personally attest to the overall generosity of SA
recycling and their leadership, and I appreciate their nuanced
understanding of our mission and the value it has for our region.
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01:05:02.110 --> 01:05:09.739
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Nicole Enciso: We're satisfied that the draft supplemental environmental
impact report- DSEIR has addressed all the relevant environmental issues
01:05:09.830 --> 01:05:13.619
Nicole Enciso: and fully support SA recycling's 10 year lease extension.
01:05:13.630 --> 01:05:18.439
Nicole Enciso: Thank you for your time, and hope the decision-making bod
will move forward swiftly with their approval.
01:05:21.290 --> 01:05:23.559
Candice Disney Magnus: Alright! Thank you for your comment.
01:05:26.270 --> 01:05:42.059
Candice Disney Magnus: so we'll move on to Brisa Sotelo Vargas. and
please, and you'll be unmuted, Please unmute yourself, State your first
and last name clearly, and spell your name for the record
446
01:05:42.860 --> 01:05:44.979
Candice Disney Magnus: 3 min to speak.
01:05:49.630 --> 01:06:03.210
Brissa Sotelo-Vargas: Hi, good afternoon. My name is Brisa Sotelo, first
name is spelled BRISA, Sotelo is SOTELO. And I am the director of
community relations and government affairs for Valero.
01:06:03.500 --> 01:06:07.960
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Brissa Sotelo-Vargas: and I am here in support of the extension for the
ten-year
01:06:08.060 --> 01:06:31.769
Brissa Sotelo-Vargas: lease agreement for SA recycling. SA recycling has
been not only a great neighbor, but also a partner and ecological
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champion. As a neighbor, they provide recycling obviously, but most
importantly, not only do they provide it for the community, but they also
provided for industry members like the Valero Refinery
01:06:31.940 --> 01:06:42.730
Brissa Sotelo-Vargas: they have also championed many community activities
which is very important to stay involved beyond doing the work as a
recycler.
451
01:06:43.430 --> 01:06:55.789
Brissa Sotelo-Vargas: They are members of the Wilmington Chamber, which
I have been past chair, and currently their general manager sits as chair
of the Wilmington Chamber, and that means so much
452
01:06:55.850 --> 01:07:08.699
Brissa Sotelo-Vargas: by giving back to this community and advocacy in
                                                                         SARPM-24
supporting activities, but most importantly, trying to bring business to
                                                                         contd.
the neighborhood
01:07:08.740 --> 01:07:35.259
Brissa Sotelo-Vargas: As a partner, SA recycling provides local, great
paying jobs, recycling options, and our champions in this community
specifically do their engagement in causes that include the Y.M.C.A. As
they've spoken already. The Boys and Girls Club of Long Beach, and many
more, which I also sit on those boards. Having SA recycling as a
community partner
454
01:07:35.270 --> 01:07:47.599
Brissa Sotelo-Vargas: is a greater benefit to all of us, not only to the
community, but to all businesses. I fully support the extension of their
10 Year lease agreement, and hope that you will, too. Thank you.
01:07:49.700 --> 01:07:51.430
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
01:07:53.850 --> 01:07:54.740
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay.
01:07:55.340 --> 01:08:02.290
Candice Disney Magnus:
458
01:08:02.800 --> 01:08:13.429
Candice Disney Magnus: Karina Reyes. You'll now be unmuted to provide
your comment. Please unmute yourself, state your first and last name, and
yes, spell your name for the record.
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459
01:08:17.460 --> 01:08:34.029
Karina Reyes: Hi! My name is Karina Reyes, and I'm a community member
through SBCC. The spelling of my name is KARINA last name Reyes, REYES.
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support the extension of the 10 year contract for SA recycling. Thank
                                                                         25
you.
460
01:08:35.380 --> 01:08:36.939
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
01:08:39.189 --> 01:08:40.020
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay.
01:08:40.479 --> 01:08:47.030
Candice Disney Magnus: We'll move to Monica Garcia, Garcia Diaz.
01:08:47.420 --> 01:08:54.400
Candice Disney Magnus: You'll now be unmuted. Please unmute yourself,
state your first and last name, and spell your name for the record.
01:08:58.710 --> 01:09:14.389
Monica Garcia-Diaz: Good evening. My name is Monica Garcia Diaz, MONICA
GARCIA DIAZ. And I am The Wilmington, Chamber of Commerce, CEO. And
Executive director.
465
01:09:14.950 --> 01:09:30.200
Monica Garcia-Diaz: The mission of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce is
to promote and support business and improve the quality of life in the
community of Wilmington. Just to give some perspective to a day in the
life of an SA recycling company,
                                                                         SARPM-26
466
01:09:30.560 --> 01:09:42.750
Monica Garcia-Diaz: Just one recycled car saves the equivalent of 450
gallons of gasoline. 2,500 pounds of iron ore and 1,400 pounds of coal
01:09:44.229 --> 01:09:51.509
Monica Garcia-Diaz: SA recycling employs more than 125 Union and non-
Union workers locally.
01:09:51.550 --> 01:10:01.200
Monica Garcia-Diaz: and their operations and product-related services
support the additional indirect employment of 2,319 individuals in the
region.
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469
01:10:01.510 --> 01:10:11.370
Monica Garcia-Diaz: The average salary of an SA recycling employee is set
at a generous benchmark of $80,000, which is
470
01:10:12.000 --> 01:10:17.270
Monica Garcia-Diaz: phenomenal, a phenomenal living wage for an average
worker at SA recycling
01:10:19.870 --> 01:10:41.580
Monica Garcia-Diaz: As the city of Los Angeles looks for ways and
solutions to manage over 100 confiscated RVs impounded from city streets,
utilizing recycling facilities such as SA recycling is the most effective
approach to ensure the removal of these RVs from city impound lots and
prevent them from ending up in landfills.
01:10:41.680 --> 01:10:59.379
Monica Garcia-Diaz: and I'm sure that we can all give a resounding nod to
to the solution that this offers, as our impound lots are are overloaded,
and there isn't enough room to even move the non-operable RVs that sit in
our businesses and our residence
01:11:01.880 --> 01:11:03.650
Monica Garcia-Diaz: SA recycling
01:11:04.210 --> 01:11:13.120
Monica Garcia-Diaz: SA Recycling is always on the forefront of the
environmental and social responsibility vanguard.
01:11:13.260 --> 01:11:20.560
Monica Garcia-Diaz: They are obviously invested in their communities.
They have proven here that they are also invested in the local workforce
01:11:20.940 --> 01:11:42.539
Monica Garcia-Diaz: on behalf of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, ee
support the 10 Year Lease Agreement for SA recycling and are satisfied
that the draft supplemental Environment Impact Report has addressed all
the relevant environmental issues and found no negative environmental
impacts. And we request a speedy process for their approval and renewal
of their extension. Thank you.
01:11:44.030 --> 01:11:45.690
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
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01:11:48.400 --> 01:11:52.090

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Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, we'll move to
01:11:52.450 --> 01:11:54.070
Candice Disney Magnus: Myhang Dinh
01:11:54.710 --> 01:12:05.289
Candice Disney Magnus: You'll be unmuted. Now please provide your first
and last name clearly and spell it for the record, and you'll have 3 min
to speak.
481
01:12:11.500 --> 01:12:12.380
Myhang Dinh: Hello!
482
01:12:12.670 --> 01:12:33.639
Myhang Dinh: Hi! My name is Myhang. That's MYHANG, last name DINH I'm
here on behalf of SBCC as well, and I'm also a commi- Wilmington
community member. And I'm here in support of SA recycling's 10 year lease
extension. Thank you.
483
01:12:34.910 --> 01:12:36.480
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
01:12:38.610 --> 01:12:39.720
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay.
485
01:12:39.880 --> 01:12:52.199
Candice Disney Magnus: we'll move to Gail Islas. You'll now be unmuted
to provide your comment. Please state your first and last name for the
record, and
01:12:52.270 --> 01:12:54.200
Candice Disney Magnus: you'll have 3 min to speak.
01:12:57.480 --> 01:12:59.240
Gael Islas: Hello, good afternoon.
01:12:59.530 --> 01:13:05.000
Gael Islas: My name is Gael Islas, GAEL. ISLAS.
489
01:13:05.340 --> 01:13:09.889
Gael Islas: I am a Sharefest student and 2023 SA recycling summer intern
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01:13:10.020 --> 01:13:27.279
Gael Islas: as a student at Moneta Continuation High School. I never
expected to have an organization provide me and my classmates with guest
speakers and field trips to expose us to the opportunities for us all
within our local community. Last year Mister Figueroa and his team at SA
recycling came to Moneta Continuation High School
01:13:27.360 --> 01:13:30.319
Gael Islas: to explain what they do at the port of LA.
01:13:30.830 --> 01:13:42.340
Gael Islas: I didn't know all the opportunities for me until SA recycling
came and spoke to us. They provided us with important information that
opened my mind to all the potential possibilities for me after I
graduate.
01:13:42.750 --> 01:14:00.080
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Gael Islas: SA recycling, also invited our school to tour the facilities
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and learn more about the work they had, they do, and the and the type of
jobs they have available. Thanks to SA recycling, I was offered an
internship this past summer where I was able to learn hands on experience
and develop myself.
494
01:14:00.210 --> 01:14:06.640
Gael Islas: I am now one month away from graduating with my diploma from
high school, and I'm looking forward to see what the future has in store
01:14:07.200 --> 01:14:12.780
During my time at SA I saw firsthand their vigilance and commitment to
environmental stewardship,
01:14:12.860 --> 01:14:21.880
Gael Islas: and it does not surprise me one bit that the draft
supplemental environmental impact report also found that there are no
negative environmental impacts with the lease extension.
497
01:14:22.110 --> 01:14:31.170
Gael Islas: I support SA recycling, SA recycling lease extension on the
port of LA, and I'm thankful for the investment in me and my community.
Thank you for your time.
01:14:33.350 --> 01:14:34.989
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
01:14:37.580 --> 01:14:42.199
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Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, we'll move to strength-based community
change.
500
01:14:42.400 --> 01:14:52.000
Candice Disney Magnus: please unmute yourself. You'll be unmuted, and
please unmute yourself and state your first and last name for the record.
01:14:52.040 --> 01:14:54.700
Candice Disney Magnus: and you'll have 3 min to speak.
01:15:01.830 --> 01:15:29.469
Strength Based Community Change (SBCC): Hello, good afternoon, everyone.
My name is Brian Arredondo. That's BRIAN Arredondo, ARREDONDO. I'm a
                                                                         SARPM-29
member of community member of Bloomington with through SBCC. We help not
only residents of the South Bay area, but all of LA county, and I'm here
to vote in agreeance with the extension for SA recycling for the next 10
years. Thank you very much.
01:15:30.890 --> 01:15:32.469
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
01:15:34.640 --> 01:15:39.260
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, let's move to Michael Herrera.
01:15:40.510 --> 01:15:41.580
Candice Disney Magnus: and
506
01:15:42.220 --> 01:15:50.970
Candice Disney Magnus: You'll be unmuted now, please unmute yourself.
State your first and last name for the record and spell your name, and
you'll have 3 min.
01:15:56.280 --> 01:15:57.280
Michael Herrera: Can you hear me?
01:15:57.490 --> 01:15:58.360
Candice Disney Magnus: Yes.
01:15:58.670 --> 01:16:01.259
Michael Herrera: okay. My name is Michael Herrera
510
01:16:01.890 --> 01:16:05.989
Michael Herrera: MIKE, Herrera HERRERA.
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01:16:06.910 --> 01:16:15.110
Michael Herrera: 50 year resident of the harbor area. San Pedro
Wilmington, mostly. I'm the director of the Wilmington Team Center.
01:16:15.500 --> 01:16:18.340
Michael Herrera: also member of the Volunteer Rotary Club.
01:16:19.410 --> 01:16:23.350
Michael Herrera: I'm here in support of the extension
01:16:23.980 --> 01:16:38.099
Michael Herrera: for SA Recycling. As everybody just said before me,
they're a positive force for our environment, they provide jobs for the
community,
01:16:38.560 --> 01:16:39.520
Michael Herrera: And
01:16:40.600 --> 01:16:41.770
Michael Herrera: they support
01:16:42.220 --> 01:16:46.499
Michael Herrera: several community programs organizations.
01:16:47.050 --> 01:16:54.030
Michael Herrera: And for these reasons I'm in support of of extending
their lease.
519
01:16:55.350 --> 01:17:00.209
Michael Herrera: I think that's all I want to say, because I think
everybody else has said it before me.
01:17:00.660 --> 01:17:02.179
Michael Herrera: Thank you for listening to me.
01:17:03.390 --> 01:17:05.009
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
01:17:07.100 --> 01:17:14.239
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, We'll move to Saints Peter and Paul
School in Wilmington.
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523
01:17:14.480 --> 01:17:23.009
Candice Disney Magnus: You'll be unmuted now, please unmute yourself.
State your first and last name for the record, and you'll have 3 min to
01:17:28.380 --> 01:17:30.669
Saints Peter and Paul School, Wilmington: Hello, my name is Nancy.
01:17:30.720 --> 01:17:36.350
Saints Peter and Paul School, Wilmington: NANCY. And last name Kuria
KURIA.
526
01:17:36.540 --> 01:17:46.180
Saints Peter and Paul School, Wilmington: I am the principal at Saints
Peter and Paul School, raising young men and women who really want to
make a better world for everyone
01:17:46.390 --> 01:18:03.689
Saints Peter and Paul School, Wilmington: factoring in at Wilmington get
very little cleaning, street cleaning. We really appreciate the role tha
SA recycling has taken in taking away all the major trash, especially
when it comes to metal
                                                                         SARPM-31
01:18:03.870 --> 01:18:07.440
Saints Peter and Paul School, Wilmington: and seeing it recycled. It
teaches our youth
01:18:07.470 --> 01:18:12.179
Saints Peter and Paul School, Wilmington: as to how to reuse everything
they have in their environment.
530
01:18:12.260 --> 01:18:22.619
Saints Peter and Paul School, Wilmington: So SA recycling does not only
take the trash away, but it also helps our community, as far as
employment is concerned.
531
01:18:22.910 --> 01:18:35.720
Saints Peter and Paul School, Wilmington: Knowing that Wilmington is an
economically depressed community. It is nice to know that the the jobs
the the community members get, are better paying jobs.
01:18:35.730 --> 01:18:39.740
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Saints Peter and Paul School, Wilmington: making the welfare of the
community a priority.
533
                                                                         SARPM-31
01:18:39.900 --> 01:19:00.670
Saints Peter and Paul School, Wilmington: So without any hesitation. I
                                                                         contd.
support the role SA recycling place, and we hope they not only get
granted 10 years, but with innovation that they can be the future that
every kid and every adult would like to see in our community. Thank you.
01:19:02.770 --> 01:19:04.299
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
01:19:06.980 --> 01:19:19.569
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, move to Henry Rogers. You'll now be unmuted.
Please unmute yourself and state your first and last name, spell it for
the record, and you'll have 3 minutes.
01:19:26.240 --> 01:19:27.130
Henry Rogers: unmute.
01:19:27.520 --> 01:19:39.339
Henry Rogers: Okay, good evening. My name is Henry Rogers, HENRY. Last
name is Rogers, ROGERS. And I am the executive director of the Harbor
Association of Industry and Commerce.
538
01:19:39.390 --> 01:19:47.630
Henry Rogers: We're an organization dedicated to fostering the economic
prosperity of the harbor area ensuring the environmental sustainability
of our community.
01:19:47.730 --> 01:20:07.739
Henry Rogers: I'm speaking today in strong support of the 10 year lease
extension for the SA recycling at the port of Los Angeles. SA Recycling
is a dependable tenant since 1962 has proven its commitment to our
                                                                          SARPM-32
community. Their operations has but have been meticulously reviewed in
the draft supplemental environmental impact report
540
01:20:07.980 --> 01:20:14.439
Henry Rogers: which confirms no adverse environmental impacts reinforcing
our trust in their responsible practices.
541
01:20:14.460 --> 01:20:37.109
Henry Rogers: The company is a key employer in our region, providing over
a 125 union and non union jobs in Terminal Island. These positions not
only support families, but contribute to the livelihood of the additional
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2,300 people in the area. The long term employment opportunities at SA
recycling have nurtured a unique work environment where generations of
families have grown together with a third.
01:20:43.660 --> 01:20:46.469
Henry Rogers: like millions of tons of scrap.
01:20:47.690 --> 01:20:49.309
Henry Rogers: Excuse me,
544
01:20:49.320 --> 01:20:55.079
Henry Rogers: From the landfills, they significantly contribute to a
cleaner air and water in our region. They also
                                                                          SARPM-32
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545
01:20:55.270 --> 01:21:00.590
Henry Rogers: aid disadvantage communities by ensuring proper disposal of
older vehicles and appliances.
01:21:00.950 --> 01:21:23.680
Henry Rogers: The SA recycling generates over 1 billion dollars annually
contributing to contributing substantially to labor income taxes. Their
operations are essential in promoting a circular economy, critical aspect
to sustainable development. Lastly, SA recycling's commitment extends
beyond their business operations. They're a they actively support over 50
local organizations.
547
01:21:23.700 --> 01:21:38.539
Henry Rogers: Highlights. Their dedication to the well-being of our
harbor and South Bay communities extending the lease to SA recycling is
not only a business decision, it's a commitment to our economic,
environmental and community health. We wholeheartedly encourage your
support for this essential extension. Thank you.
01:21:40.010 --> 01:21:41.609
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
01:21:45.500 --> 01:21:57.409
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, let's move to John Harris, and you'll now be
unmuted. Please unmute yourself. State your first and last name, and
spell it for the record, and you'll have 3 min.
01:22:05.730 --> 01:22:06.650
John Harris: Hello!
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John Harris: Oh, Hello! It looks like I am speaking now would happen to
see my name up in lights. Good evening, everyone. Thank you so much for
for giving me the opportunity to speak on behalf of this wonderful
project. On behalf of EXP. my name is John JOHN. Last name is Harris
01:22:29.760 --> 01:22:50.020
John Harris: We are 100% in support without any provocation or
unequivocally support the 10 year lease extension for SA recycling here
at the at the Port many others have spoken earlier this this evening.
Regarding, you know the role that SA recycling plays
01:22:50.050 --> 01:23:08.150
John Harris: in our community. You know, by way of of taking care of so
many aspects, whether it be environmentally, whether it be from
employment or whether it be just just from being a good corporate
citizen. We at EXP provide ourselves on being the opportunity engine that
is providing
01:23:08.170 --> 01:23:26.980
John Harris: workforce development skills for the next generation of
                                                                         SARPM-33
leaders in our community and SA Recycling's commitment to not only to
EXP, but to 49 other nonprofits in the area just really shows their
                                                                         contd.
purpose and their major role that they play since 1962.
01:23:27.120 --> 01:23:38.189
John Harris: You know, when you speak about opportunities like this and
organizations like SA recycling. It is truly difficult to put into words
what they mean, and I think
556
01:23:38.350 --> 01:24:05.400
John Harris: the folks that are on this call the the multitude. You know,
folks, have had so many wonderful things to say about about the
organization speaks volumes for the work that they do the importance of
the economic as well as corporate philanthropy. So 100% thank you for an
opportunity to speak on behalf of EXP. And once again we are 100% support
of the the 10 year Lease extension for SA recycling at the port. Thank
you.
557
01:24:07.180 --> 01:24:08.840
Candice Disney Magnus: Thank you for your comment.
01:24:10.730 --> 01:24:11.970
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay.
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559

01:22:07.160 --> 01:22:29.419

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01:24:11.990 --> 01:24:32.319
Candice Disney Magnus: caller with 0333 with the last 4 digits. As the
last 4 digits of your phone number you will be unmuted. Please unmute
yourself by pressing Star 6, and then state your first and last name, and
spell it for the record, and you will have 3 min.
01:24:46.320 --> 01:24:47.210
14246520333: Hello.
01:24:47.490 --> 01:24:49.289
Candice Disney Magnus: Hi! We can hear you.
01:24:50.330 --> 01:24:54.199
14246520333: Hello! I'm Kenny Altamiran, KENNY
01:24:54.220 --> 01:24:55.680
01:24:56.060 --> 01:25:00.429
                                                                         SARPM-34
14246520333: ALTAMIRANO
01:25:00.950 --> 01:25:10.969
14246520333: I'm a Wilmington resident and a member of the SBCC Stop
team. I would like to express support for the 10-year lease extension.
Thank you.
566
01:25:12.440 --> 01:25:14.010
Candice Disney Magnus: thank you for your comment.
01:25:17.650 --> 01:25:30.780
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay, At this time we're taking all the comments
from everyone that has raised their hand. But we'll wait for a minute or
so for any new comments.
01:26:03.290 --> 01:26:05.730
Nicole Enciso: seeing as, oh, just kidding.
01:26:05.870 --> 01:26:06.590
Nicole Enciso: I think
01:26:06.880 --> 01:26:10.510
Candice Disney Magnus: someone might be trying to comment
571
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01:26:22.970 --> 01:26:30.550
Nicole Enciso: alright, seeing as there's no other commenters. let's go
ahead and move to the next slide.
01:26:30.980 --> 01:26:31.780
Candice Disney Magnus: Okay.
01:26:37.560 --> 01:26:40.470
Nicole Enciso: we would like to thank everyone for their time this
evening.
574
01:26:40.590 --> 01:26:50.169
Nicole Enciso: As a reminder, the public review period is still open, and
we will be accepting written comments until February nineteenth, 2024
01:26:50.750 --> 01:26:57.330
Nicole Enciso: written comments can be sent either mail by mail or email
to the Director of Environmental Management
576
01:26:57.350 --> 01:27:02.840
Nicole Enciso: at the city of Los Angeles Harbor Department. 425, South
Palos Verdes Street.
01:27:03.210 --> 01:27:06.559
Nicole Enciso: San Pedro, California, 90731,
01:27:06.910 --> 01:27:10.450
Nicole Enciso: or to ceqacomments@portla.org.
01:27:11.420 --> 01:27:19.359
Nicole Enciso: Please include the project title in the subject line,
which is SA recycling amendment to permit Number 750 project.
01:27:20.260 --> 01:27:23.520
Nicole Enciso: and all comments received will become part of the public
record.
01:27:24.330 --> 01:27:27.689
Nicole Enciso: This concludes our meeting. Thank you, and have a nice
evening.
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# Response to Comments Received During the Draft SEIR Public Meeting January 17, 2024

### SARPM-1

The commenter's name is Sarah Wiltfong of Bizfest, the Los Angeles County Business Federation, which is an alliance of over 240 business organizations who represent over 420,000 employers and 5 million employees in Los Angeles County. I support for the 10-year Permit extension for SA recycling, as SA Recycling supports over 100 Union and non-Union good paying jobs, thousands of indirect jobs, billions in annual economic impact, while environmentally protecting our community through its recycling efforts. The commenter was pleased to note, as noted in the presentation that the draft SEIR found no negative environmental impacts to our region, and Ms. Wiltfong believes supporting this extension is a no brainer, and should be done so today.

LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

### SARPM-2

The commenter's name is Archie Hoggan of Beacon House Association of San Pedro, which is one of the 50 organizations that SA Recycling and Moises support in the local area. Beacon House is a nonprofit providing free drug and alcohol treatment to individuals suffering from substance abuse. Mr. Hoggan is in support of SA Recycling's 10-year Permit extension specifically for 4 reasons: SA Recycling supporting union and non-union jobs; the positive environmental impact by diverting tons of scrap from landfills; economic benefit to the area; and SA Recycling's support for community organizations. Beacon House and Mr. Hoggan are in support of the SA Recycling Permit extension and ask that it gets granted immediately. Mr. Hoggan thanks LAHD for letting him share.

LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

### SARPM-3

The commenters name is Andrew Ergon representing Grand Vision Foundation, which is a local arts nonprofit located in San Pedro. Grand Vision does both arts and education nonprofit work. Grand Vision supports

the 10-year Permit extension for SA Recycling. SA Recycling has been a supporter of their nonprofit, as well as many other nonprofits in the area for many years. Grand Vision also recognizes the many contributions that SA Recycling brings to our area, including the many jobs it provides, the substantial economic impact brought in by their business, and the environmental benefits from having SA Recycling here in the Port.

LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

### SARPM-4

The commenter's name is Joe Gatlin, representing the NAACP for the LA Harbor area, which is in San Pedro, Wilmington, and the Palos Verdes Peninsula. The commenter is in support of the 10-year extension for SA Recycling.

LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

### SARPM-5

The commenter's name is Arturo Lindo representing SBCC in Wilmington. The commenter supports the 10-year Permit extension with SA Recycling to continue their hard work and their mission towards cleaner air and water in the region, and just the benefits they have towards the environment.

LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

### SARPM-6

The commenter's name is Ely Fornier. Mr. Fornier is a Wilmington resident, community member, and also representing the SBCC nonprofit organization. The commenter is in support of the 10-year Permit Extension Agreement for SA Recycling. Mr. Fornier has also had the opportunity to visit SA Recycling facilities and had the opportunity to meet Moises and a great leadership team. The commenter feels that this is a company that is definitely invested in their communities and invested in Wilmington. The work that they are doing, environmentally speaking, socially speaking is great.

### SARPM-7

The commenter's name is Anh Nguyen with the Central City Association (CCA). CCA represents approximately 300 member organizations committed to advancing policies and projects that enhance downtown's vibrancy and also increase economic opportunity across the region. CCA strongly supports the extension of this Permit because SA Recycling increases opportunity throughout the region. In the commenter's opinion, SA is a responsible Tenant, respected corporate citizen, and engaged in the community throughout the Harbor and in South Bay they employ hundreds of long standing union and non-union workers at Terminal Island, not to mention the significant economic benefits their work brings. The commenter approves and urges approval of their 10-year Permit extension.

LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

### SARPM-8

The commenter's name is Barry Waite, the President and CEO of Carson, Chamber of Commerce. The commenter notes that SA Recycling has been a great partner to their organization in the community and helping get things done. The commenter also notes that this project is a rare project that is a positive environmental impact and the site is amazingly clean. There was no dust, there was no runoff from the site. And things were operated in a very responsible fashion.

LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-9 The commenter's name is Erik Nielsen, the principal of Moneta High School, which is located adjacent to Gardena High School. The commenter would like to express his gratitude and speak on behalf of SA Recycling's positive impact on this community and to the students of Moneta High School. SA Recycling and ShareFest have bridged the gap to provide students like the youth who attend Moneta with opportunities that are traditionally not provided to them. SA Recycling has provided

opportunities to the students through presentations, field trips, and internship opportunities. LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-10 The commenter's name is Celia Salas, representing SBCC, one of the 50 organizations that SA Recycling supports throughout the Harbor and South Bay areas. The commenter is in support of the 10-year Permit extension for SA Recycling to continue their work towards cleaner air and water in the region.

LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-11 The commenter's name is Dollie Adaya, a Wilmington community member through SBCC. The commenter is in support of the 10-year SA Recycling Permit extension.

LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-12 The commenter's name is Octavio Ramirez. Mr. Ramirez works for SBCC and lives in Wilmington. The commenter is in support of SA Recycling 10-year Permit extension.

LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-13 The commenter's name is Rick Aguayo, a long time Wilmington community member and with SBCC. The commenter had the ability to visit the SA Recycling site and strongly supports this 10-year Permit extension. The commenter believes SA Recycling is doing good by keeping the environment clean. Mr. Aguayo is in support of their workforce development efforts and strongly supports SA Recycling and what they are doing.

SARPM-14 The commenter's name is Thomas Jelenic with the Pacific Merchant Shipping Association (PMSA). PMSA is a trade association that represents the marine terminal operators and ocean carriers that operate in the Port of Los Angeles and along the US West coast. PMSA supports the approval of the EIR and the Permit extension for SA Recycling. The commenter believes that SA Recycling has been a good environmental steward and PMSA supports the 10-year Permit extension for SA Recycling and the approval of the Subsequent EIR.

> LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-15 The commenter's name is Elise Swanson, President and CEO of the San Pedro Chamber of Commerce. The San Pedro Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors strongly supports SA Recycling's 10-year Permit extension The San Pedro Chamber of Commerce appreciates the work that SA Recycling does in supporting our neighborhoods. The commenter believes this business is crucial for a better environment, and critical to Los Angeles' efforts to reduce its carbon footprint. The commenter also mentioned that the draft subsequent EIR supports that there are no significant environmental impacts associated with the Permit extension. The Chamber strongly urges a quick and swift approval of SA Recycling's Permit extension.

> LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-16 The commenter's name is Sal DiCostanzo with ILWU Local 13. ILWU Local 13 supports the 10-year Permit extension for SA Recycling. The commenter believes SA Recycling has been a great partner to work with. The commenter would like to echo some of the things that has been said by other comments.

SARPM-17 The commenter's name is Gabriella Segovia, a resident of the community of Wilmington and a representative of SBCC.Ms. Segovia advocates for the extension of the contract for the company SA Recycling. The commenter believes that SA Recycling positively supports jobs and economic stability and removing pollution of the environment. SA Recycling also supports a lot of organizations here in my community. LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-18 The commenter's name is Yolanda De La Torre, Vice President of the Wilmington, Gardena, Carson, and San Pedro YMCAs. Ms. De La Torre is in support of SA Recycling 10-year Permit extension and agree with the comments that others shared. The commenter believes that SA Recycling brings a lot more benefits to our community, both economically and environmentally. The commenter was able to visit SA Recycling and was very impressed by the way that they do business. Ms. De La Torre and the YMCA is in support of the 10-year Permit extension.

> LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-19 The commenter's name is Louisa Gratz of ILWU Local 26. ILWU 26 represents the workforce at SA Recycling on Terminal Island since the late 50's, early 60's, and believes that SA Recycling has made amazing changes. The place is spotless, but more important to the commenter, is the future. The commenter notes that future projects in the area will need a place to recycle large construction debris. Ms. Gratz believes that SA Recycling's lease needs to be supported for not only 10 years, but into the future. The commenter believes that SA Recycling provides a valuable service to not only our community, but all the people that spoke before her. Additionally, there are no environmental problem that causes health problems to our members. ILWU 26 has a healthy workforce and SA Recycling fully pays the medical insurance pensions and wages. They are also productive partners in our negotiations for collective bargaining.

### SARPM-20

The commenter's name is Minh Luu, Director of Development and Partnerships at Boys and Girls Clubs of Long Beach. The mission of the Boys and Girls Clubs is to able to enable all young people. The commenter echoes her colleagues who are on the call, as Ms. Luu strongly support the 10-year Permit extension for SA Recycling. The commenter is satisfied that the Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report has addressed all relevant environment issues and found no negative environment impacts. The commenter also supports the Proposed Project because SA Recycling supports reuse of material, provides union and non-union jobs,

LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration,

SARPM-21 The commenter's name is Sandra Farias and belongs to the SBCC organization. The commenter is in favor of SA Recycling's 10-year Permit extension.

> LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

**SARPM-22** The commenter's name is Esther Hernandez, a community member.

LAHD thanks you for this comment and will include it in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-23 The commenter's name is Kwana Lymana. The commenter thanks the Port of Los Angeles for providing this opportunity to provide public comment on the Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report for SA Recycling's Permit extension. The commenter is the development manager of the nonprofit organization ShareFest. ShareFest serves over 300 students from 7 continuation high schools and one traditional high school throughout the Harbor area. SA Recycling supports both financially and interactively. SA Recycling furthered its impact to the community by leading a speaker panel at several of our continuation high schools,

providing students with firsthand knowledge of the workforce and additional career paths for a brighter future. SA also provided a student with a summer internship.

LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-24 The commenter's name is Brisa Sotelo, the Director of Community Relations and Government Affairs for Valero. Ms. Sotelo supports the extension for the 10-year Permit for SA Recycling. The commenter notes that SA Recycling has been a great neighbor by providing recycling services to industry members, but also an ecological champion. SA Recycling provides local, great paying jobs, recycling options, and our champions in this community specifically due to their engagement in causes that include the YMCA. LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-25 The commenter's name is Karina Reyes, a community member through SBCC and is in support of the extension for SA Recycling.

> LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-26 The commenter's name is Monica Garcia Diaz, CEO and Executive Director from the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce. The commenter notes that SA Recycling provides union and non-union jobs, provides services to the community, and environmental benefit to the area. The Wilmington Chamber of Commerce supports the Permit extension for SA Recycling and are satisfied that the Draft Subsequent Environment Impact Report has addressed all the relevant environmental issues and found no negative environmental impacts. The commenter also requests a speedy process for their approval and renewal of their extension.

> LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-27 The commenter's name is Myhang Dinh. The commenter is a member of SBCC and also a Wilmington community member. The commenter is in support of SA Recycling's Permit extension.

> LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-28

The commenter's name is Gael Islas, a ShareFest student and 2023 SA Recycling summer intern. The commenter is a student at Moneta Continuation High School and is appreciative of the actions SA Recycling took to provide him and his classmates with guest speakers and field trips to expose them to the opportunities within their local community. The commenter was offered an internship this past summer where he was able to learn hands on experience and develop himself. During his time at SA Recycling, Mr. Islas saw firsthand their vigilance and commitment to environmental stewardship and it does not surprise him that the Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report also found that there are no negative environmental impacts with the Permit extension. The commenter supports SA Recycling's Permit extension and is thankful for the investment SA Recycling has made in him and his community.

LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-29 The commenter's name is Brian Arredondo, a community member of Bloomington with SBCC. The commenter is in support of SA Recycling Permit extension.

> LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-30 The commenter's name is Michael Herrera, Director of the Wilmington Teen Center, a member of the Volunteer Rotary Club, and a 50-year resident of the Harbor area. The commenter is in support of the extension for SA Recycling. Mr. Herrera states that SA Recycling is a positive force for his environment, provides jobs for the community, and supports several community programs and organizations.

SARPM-31 The commenter's name is Nancy Kuria, the Principal at Saint's Peter and Paul School. The commenter appreciates the role that SA Recycling plays in taking away all the major trash, especially when it comes to metal and seeing it recycled. It teaches our youth how to reuse everything they have in their environment. SA Recycling also helps our community through providing jobs to an economically depressed community. The commenter supports SA Recycling's Permit extension.

> LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-32 The commenter's name is Henry Rogers, the Executive Director of the Harbor Association of Industry and Commerce. The organization is dedicated to fostering the economic prosperity of the harbor area ensuring the environmental sustainability of our community. Mr. Rogers is in strong support of the Permit extension for the SA Recycling. The commenter states that SA Recycling is a dependable tenant since 1962 and has proven its commitment to our community. Their operation has been meticulously reviewed in the Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report, which confirms no adverse environmental impacts. The company is a key employer in our region, providing over 125 union and non-union jobs on Terminal Island. SA Recycling significantly contributes to a cleaner air and water in our region and aid disadvantaged communities by ensuring proper disposal of older vehicles and appliances. Their operations are essential in promoting a circular economy and are a critical aspect to sustainable development. SA Recycling actively support over 50 local organizations. The commenter wholeheartedly encourages LAHD's support for this essential Permit extension.

> LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-33 The commenter's name is John Harris, speaking on behalf of EXP. The commenter is in support of the Permit extension and notes that SA Recycling plays an important role in the community through employment, environmentally, and as a good corporate citizen. SA Recycling's commitment to not only to EXP, but to 49 other nonprofits in the area just really shows their purpose and their major role that they have played since 1962. EXP is 100 percent in support of the Permit extension for SA Recycling.

LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Proposed Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

SARPM-34 The commenter is Kenny Altamirand, a Wilmington resident and a member of the SBCC team. The commenter is in support of the Permit extension.

LAHD thanks you for these comments and will include them in the Project record for the Board of Harbor Commissioners' consideration.

# Chapter 3

# Modifications to the Draft SEIR

### 3.1 Introduction

This chapter addresses modifications to the Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) for the Proposed Project. It presents all revisions related to public comments, as determined necessary by the Los Angeles Harbor Department (LAHD) as lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), for the following area of the document:

Chapter 1 Introduction

Chapter 1, Introduction was the only section that was revised and is presented herein.

As provided in Section 15088(c) of the State CEQA Guidelines, responses to comments may take the form of a revision to a draft EIR or may be a separate section of the final EIR. In this Final SEIR, responses to comments are presented in Chapter 2 and necessary revisions to the text are presented in this chapter.

Under CEQA, recirculation of all or part of an EIR may be required if significant new information is added after public review and prior to certification. According to CEQA Guidelines section 15088.5(a), new information is not considered significant "unless the SEIR is changed in a way that deprives the public of a meaningful opportunity to comment upon a substantial adverse environmental effect of the project or a feasible way to mitigate or avoid such an effect (including a feasible project alternative) that the project's proponents have declined to implement." More specifically, the Guidelines define significant new information as including:

- A new significant environmental impact resulting from the project or from a new mitigation measure:
- A substantial increase in the severity of an environmental impact that would not be reduced to insignificance by adopted mitigation measures;
- A feasible project alternative or mitigation measure considerably different from those analyzed in a draft EIR that would clearly lessen the environmental impacts of the project and which the project proponents decline to adopt; and
- A draft EIR that is so fundamentally and basically inadequate and conclusory that meaningful public review and comment were precluded.

The text changes described below updates and clarifies the Proposed Project information and analyses presented in the Draft SEIR. No new significant impacts are identified, and no information is provided that would involve a substantial increase in severity of a significant impact that would not be mitigated by measures already identified. In addition, no new or considerably different mitigation measures have been identified. Finally, there are no changes or set of changes that would reflect

fundamental inadequacies in the Draft SEIR. Recirculation of any part of the SEIR therefore is not required.

### 3.2 Changes to the Draft SEIR

The following changes to the text as presented below are incorporated into the Final SEIR. Changes are provided in revision-mode text, wherein deletions of the original text are shown in strikethrough and additions to the Final SEIR are shown in underline. Page numbers refer to page numbers in the Draft SEIR, so that the reader can easily locate where changes have been made.

### 3.2.1 Changes Made to Chapter 1, Introduction of the Draft SEIR

Section 1.5, Purpose and Use of SEIR, Page 1-8. Revised Table 1-2 as follows:

**Table 1-2. List of Required Discretionary Actions** 

Discretionary Action	LAHD
Certification of Final SEIR	X
Adoption of Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program	X
Adoption of Findings of Fact	X
Adoption of Statement of Overriding Considerations (if needed)	X
Approval of Proposed Project	X
Approval of new Permit or amended lease agreement Permit 750	X
Issuance of a Coastal Development Permit	<u>X</u>
Issuance of a Harbor Engineers' Permit	<u>X</u>

# Chapter 4

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