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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District

Regulatory Division

c/o Spencer D. MacNeil D.Env. ATTN: CESPL-RG-2003-01029-SDM

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Dr. Ralph G. Appy, Director of Environmental Management

Port of Los Angeles

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Subject: Support for Approval of China Shipping EIR

Dear Mr. MacNeil and Dr. Appy:

We are writing this letter on behalf of the Harbor Association of Industry and Commerce to certify our support of the approval of the China Shipping Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

We believe that the EIR conforms to all applicable CEQA standards that would enable the project to proceed.

As you may know, this project is critical to maintaining our national and international viability at the Port of Los Angeles. Further delays in project implementation will only diminish our competitiveness and erode the vitality of the Southern California economy. Approving and completing this project will demonstrate a high level of commitment to our global business partners further implement "green" technologies that are a requirement as part of the project mitigation.

As a Board Member of the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC), I am aware that approval of this project will enhance foreign direct investment in the Southern California region at a strategically significant time.

Therefore, we strongly support the Board of Harbor Commissioners in their approval of the China Shipping EIR.

Sincerely,

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