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SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY/NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE SA RECYCLING CRANE REPLACEMENT AND ELECTRIFICATION PROJECT

The City of Los Angeles Harbor Department (Harbor Department) has prepared an Initial Study/Negative Declaration (IS/ND) to address the environmental effects of the SA Recycling Crane Replacement and Electrification Project (Project). The proposed Project consists of the replacement of a California Air Resources Board (CARB) certified Tier 2 diesel crane with a CARB-certified Tier 4 diesel/electric hybrid crane. SA Recycling is a full-service metal recycler and processor located on Terminal Island within the Port of Los Angeles. The crane is used to load processed materials onto vessels to be exported overseas.

The proposed Project involves the assembly of the crane, the installation of approximately 400 linear feet of conduit and wiring to electrify the wharf and the disposal of the existing crane. The new crane will run as a Tier 4 diesel crane through January 31, 2017, while landside improvements are made. After January 31, 2017, the crane will run solely on electricity except during routine maintenance which would not exceed 12 hours per year. There are no operational alterations or expansions as a result of the proposed Project and there is no lease or lease amendment associated with the proposed Project.

The Project site has been identified on the Cortese list (Government Code Section 65962.5). This identification has been disclosed and evaluated in the Draft IS/ND.

The IS/ND has been prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code Section 21000 et.seq. and the State CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations (CCR) Section 15000 et.seq. This IS/ND includes a discussion of the proposed Project's effects on the existing environment. This document is an IS/ND because there are no impacts associated with the proposed Project that must be mitigated in order to be below significance thresholds. In accordance with the CEQA Statutes and Guidelines, the IS/ND is being circulated for a period of 30 days for public review and comment. The public has an opportunity to provide written comments on the information contained within the IS/ND.

The 30-day review period starts on February 3, 2016, and ends on March 4, 2016. A copy of the document is available for public review on the Port of Los Angeles website at: http://www.portoflosangeles.org; the Harbor Department's Environmental Management Division located at 222 West 6th Street, Suite 900, San Pedro; the Los Angeles City Library San Pedro Branch at 931 S. Gaffey Street; and at the Los Angeles City Library Wilmington Branch at 1300 North Avalon, Wilmington.

Comments on the IS/ND should be submitted in writing prior to the end of the 30-day public review period and must be postmarked by March 4, 2016. Please submit written comments to:

Christopher Cannon, Director City of Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division 425 S. Palos Verdes Street San Pedro, CA 90731

Written comments may also be sent via email to <u>ceqacomments@portla.org</u>. Comments sent via email should include the project title in the subject line and a valid mailing address in the email.

For additional information, please contact Tara Tisopulos with the Harbor Department's Environmental Management Division at (310) 732-7713.

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