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March 1, 2018

## SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE BERTHS 238-239 [PBF ENERGY] MARINE OIL TERMINAL WHARF IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

The City of Los Angeles Harbor Department (Harbor Department) has prepared this Initial Study/ Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the following project in the Port of Los Angeles to address the environmental impacts:

## Berths 238-239 [PBF Energy] Marine Oil Terminal Wharf Improvements Project

The primary objective of the Berths 238-239 Marine Oil Terminal Wharf Improvements Project is to comply with the Marine Oil Terminal Engineering and Maintenance Standards (MOTEMS) at the PBF Energy Terminal. The MOTEMS are comprehensive engineering standards for the analysis, design, inspection and maintenance of marine oil terminals. The project also includes the issuance of a new, 30-year lease to allow PBF Energy to continue operation. The project includes facilities and sites that are identified on the State of California Hazardous Waste and Substances Site List (also known as the Cortese List, compiled pursuant to California Government Code 65962.5).

The IS/MND 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/MND includes a discussion of the proposed Project's effects on the existing environment. This document is an IS/MND because there are no impacts associated with the proposed Project that must be mitigated to below significance thresholds. In accordance with the CEQA Statutes and Guidelines, this IS/MND 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/MND.

## Availability:

The 30-day review period will start on **March 2, 2018**, and end on **April 2, 2018**. A copy of the document is available for public review on the Port's website: <a href="http://www.portoflosangeles.org">http://www.portoflosangeles.org</a>, under the Environmental tab, the Harbor Department's Environmental Management Division, 222 West 6th Street, Suite 900, San Pedro, CA 90731; Los Angeles City Library San Pedro Branch, 931 S. Gaffey Street, San Pedro, CA 90731; and Los Angeles City Library Wilmington Branch, 1300 North Avalon, Wilmington, CA 90744.

## Comments:

Written 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 April 2, 2018. Please submit written comments to:

Christopher Cannon,
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City of Los Angeles Harbor Department
425 S. Palos Verdes Street
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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.

Sincerely

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