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Dear Dr. Ralph G. Appy and  
Dr. Spencer D. MacNeil U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District

I am writing as a San Pedro Community member and homeowner who is in strong opposition to the Pacific L.A. Marine Terminal LLC Crude Oil Terminal. My opposition to this project stems from the following:

The short term jobs are not enough to destroy the local environment. (there will be relatively few long term jobs created after construction)

Any potential rebound of the fragile local economy will be wrecked by short sighted financial gain to only a few individuals (and LA City tax revenues which will not go to our community).

Giant industrial ships would dominate views of the outer harbor and destroy any hope for a beautiful waterfront.

The health and welfare of the community should not be further sacrificed by another large, polluting project, which includes increased local refinery production + related air pollution.

This business is backwards thinking. We should be investing in sustainable energy and alternative fuels

This is in direct conflict to the mission of the Bridge to Breakwater or any development to our community. All local resident s property value will go down

The environmental impact statement did not adequately address the following:

The increased risks to terrorism.

The increased activities of the refineries which would further pollute.

The increased risk to a major explosion after an earthquake.

There is not a proper evacuation plan.

Environmental credits for this polluting project would be purchased to offset toxic emissions. These credits can be used elsewhere in the state rather than to clean up and mitigate effects in our area. That s just not right.

If there were to be a massive oil spill as witnessed in the New Orleans area just this past week the entire port would have to be shut down.

Adding to the community s mistrust of the Port s motives, the community response hearing was craftily held the very same night as a hearing about the potential Bisno development (Ponte Vista) up on Western that I hundreds of community members attended. In contrast he Port s meeting was stacked with workers and company owners from the construction trade including the pipe fitters union, who would stand to gain only in the short term from construction of this project.

Best regards,  
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