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March 15, 2019



Los Angeles Board of Harbor Commissioners  
425 S. Palos Verdes Street,  
San Pedro, California 90731

Dear Harbor Commissioners,

I write today to request that the Los Angeles Board of Harbor Commissioners hold over the Level 1 Coastal Development Permit No. 18-25: APM Terminals-Landside Infrastructure to Operate Battery-Electric Powered Equipment. Before a decision is made by this Board that will allow APMT Maersk to transition to a fully automated terminal, I would like to see a ~~comprehensive impact analysis that includes, among other things, the number of jobs that will be lost and the potentially devastating impact to the neighborhoods, businesses, and families in my district.~~

I have supported, and will continue to support, funding for our ports to upgrade to equipment that is good for our environment. I support the purchase of zero or near-zero emission equipment that is operated by a human. I believe we can improve the environment while supporting and maintaining well-paying jobs and a strong workforce. I worry that displacing hundreds of jobs will negatively impact the communities surrounding the Southern California ports and beyond.

I urge the Los Angeles Harbor Commission do its due diligence on the potential for negative impacts to the surrounding communities.

I respectfully request that you take action to stay this permit. A deeper look into the negative impacts of this transition is necessary to protect the workers and communities who contribute to making California the fifth largest economy in the world.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "T. Umberg".

THOMAS J. UMBERG  
Senator, 34<sup>th</sup> District