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## SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY/NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE PASHA STEVEDORING AND TERMINALS LEASE RENEWAL PROJECT

The City of Los Angeles Harbor Department (LAHD) has prepared this Initial Study/Negative Declaration (IS/ND) to address the environmental effects of the Pasha Stevedoring and Terminals Lease Renewal Project. The proposed Project includes a lease renewal for up to 30 years to allow continued long-term operations including the handling of primarily steel slab and breakbulk at their existing terminals in the Port of Los Angeles. Proposed operations would be similar to current operations and inclusive of omni-terminal operations at Berths 174-181 and breakbulk operations at Berths 206-209 and Berths 153-155. There would not be any improvements or physical modifications to the existing three terminals as part of the proposed Project.

The IS/ND has been prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code Section 21000 et.seg. and the State CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations (CCR) Section 15000 et.seg. 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 will start on **November 9**, 2015, and end on **December 8**, 2015. A copy of the document is available for public review on the Port of Los Angeles' website at: http://www.portoflosangeles.org; the LAHD Environmental Management Division located at 222 West 6th Street, San Pedro; the Los Angeles City Library Central at 630 W. 5th Street; 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.

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 **December 8, 2015**. Please submit

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Written comments may also be sent via email to ceqacomments@portla.org. 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 James Bahng with the LAHD Environmental Management Division at (310) 732-0363.

Sincerely,

written comments to:

CHRISTOPHER CANNON Director of Environmental Management

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