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Mr. Matthew Arms  
Directors of Environmental Planning  
Port of Long Beach  
415 W. Ocean Blvd.  
Long Beach, CA 90802

**STATE CLEARINGHOUSE**

RE: World Oil Tank Installation Project  
Vic. LA-710 PM 5.88  
SCH # 20200100119  
GTS # LA-2020-03391AL-ND

Dear Mr. Arms:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above referenced project. The Project proposes to construct and operate two new 25,000-barrel petroleum storage tanks within the existing World Oil Terminal. The proposed project would provide additional storage capacity to increase the efficiency of terminal operations. The new tanks would supplant the terminal's existing tanks that provide crude oil to the World Oil Refinery in South Gate through the truck loading racks. The existing tanks would then be removed from dedicated refinery service and become available for lease to third-party vendors.

The mission of Caltrans is to provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability. Senate Bill 743 (2013) has been codified into CEQA law. It mandates that CEQA review of transportation impacts of proposed developments be modified by using Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) as the primary metric in identifying transportation impacts. You may reference The Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) website for more information.

<http://opr.ca.gov/ceqa/updates/guidelines/>

As a reminder for all new projects in the future, Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) will be the standard transportation analysis metric in CEQA for land use projects after the July 1, 2020 statewide implementation date.

Also, Caltrans has published the VMT-focused Transportation Impact Study Guide (TISG), dated May 20, 2020 and Caltrans Interim Land Development and Intergovernmental Review (LD-IGR) Safety Review Practitioners Guidance, prepared in July 2020.

<https://dot.ca.gov/programs/transportation-planning/office-of-smart-mobility-climate-change/sb-743>

Baseline maximum truck count at the loading rack is 28 per day. This new project will generate additional 3 trucks trips per day. Therefore, the proposed project would have no permanent effect on the existing VMT of the area.

For this project, transportation of heavy construction equipment and/or materials, which requires the use of oversized-transport vehicles on State highways, will require a transportation permit from Caltrans. It is recommended that large size truck trips be limited to off-peak commute periods and idle time not to exceed 10 minutes.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Alan Lin the project coordinator at (213) 897-8391 and refer to GTS # LA-2020-03391AL-ND.

Sincerely,



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