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**STATE CLEARINGHOUSE**

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Director of Environmental Management  
City of Los Angeles Harbor Department  
425 S. Palos Verdes Street  
San Pedro, CA 90731

RE: Terminal Island Maritime Support  
Facility Project – Notice of Preparation  
of an EIR (NOP)  
SCH # 2023120181  
Vic. LA-47/1.86, LA-110/0.984, LA-  
710/3.441  
GTS # 07-LA-2023-04400

Dear Jeremy Silva:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above-referenced project. The Proposed Project consists of the development and operation of a chassis support and container storage facility on an approximately 80-acre site. The Proposed Project would pave approximately 75 acres, and construct and install two on-site office trailers, maintenance and repair facilities, container stalls (parking spaces), and appurtenant water, electrical, and fueling infrastructure. The chassis support facility could be operated by up to four different companies, each of which would likely conduct chassis support operations out of separately built infrastructure and the existing vacant office building on Eldridge Street. The site may also be used for storage of empty containers. The Proposed Project would be operated for up to 25 years. The Los Angeles Harbor Department is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The closest state facilities are SR-47, SR-710 and SR-110. After reviewing the project's NOP, Caltrans has the following comments:

- The Vincent Thomas Bridge (VTB) Deck Replacement Project is expected to be in construction from October 2025 to March 2027. If the Terminal Island Maritime Support Facility Project will be in construction at the same time as the VTB and/or other projects in the area, a traffic handling/detour study needs to be done to mitigate the traffic impact in the surrounding community.
- Caltrans recommends the following during the construction stage:

- Work with Caltrans Office of Permits, Multi-Modal Unit, for a designated truck route for construction trucks to transport construction equipment to and from the construction sites.
- Construction vehicles/equipment should use alternative routes to avoid congested state facilities, especially during peak hours.
- Cover construction trucks with tarpaulin to avoid debris spillage onto State facilities.

As a reminder, any transportation of heavy construction equipment and/or materials that requires the use of oversized transport vehicles on State Highways will need a Caltrans transportation permit. Caltrans recommends that the Project limit construction traffic to off-peak periods to minimize the potential impact on State facilities. If construction traffic is expected to cause issues on any State facilities, please submit a construction traffic control plan detailing these issues for Caltrans' review.

Caltrans looks forward to reviewing the forthcoming EIR. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jaden Oloresisimo, the project coordinator, at [Jaden.Oloresisimo@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Jaden.Oloresisimo@dot.ca.gov) and refer to GTS # 07-LA-2023-04400.

Sincerely,

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