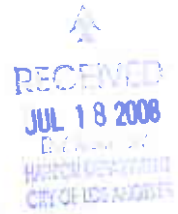


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Dr. Ralph G. Appy
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Dear Dr. Appy:

I am writing to you on behalf of the Pipeline Contractors Association of Southern California regarding the proposed Pier 400, Berth 408 petroleum terminal project. Our Association represents employers that construct transportation and distribution pipelines throughout Southern California and across the country. We believe that this project will be extremely beneficial to the citizens and communities of Los Angeles and all of Southern California.

The necessity of building petroleum projects in these difficult economic times cannot be overstated. This project will be built to the highest environmentally responsible standards. As Union signatory employers, we know it will provide needed jobs that are paid at the prevailing rates determined by the State of California.

We strongly recommend the approval of the Pier 400, Berth 408 project which will benefit all residents of the City of Los Angeles as well as the entire Southern California area.

Very truly yours,

MITCHELL G. WEISS

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