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April 18, 2011

**SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED
NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE ILWU LOCAL 13
DISPATCH HALL PROJECT**

The City of Los Angeles Harbor Department (LAHD) has prepared an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) to address the environmental effects of the International Longshore and Warehouse Union (ILWU) Local 13 Dispatch Hall Project (hereafter "proposed project"). The project site is located at 1500 E. Anaheim Street on LAHD-owned property, approximately 0.5 miles east of the existing ILWU Dispatch Hall in Wilmington (see attached map).

The proposed project involves the construction of a two-storied steel framed 32,565 square foot ILWU Local 13 Dispatch Hall to provide a meeting space and administrative offices for dispatching longshore workers to cargo terminals within the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach. The proposed project would also include ancillary improvements and construction of a dedicated on-site parking lot (812 spaces) with outdoor lighting.

The IS/MND has been prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code Section 21000 *et seq.* and the State CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations (CCR) Section 15000 *et seq.* This IS/MND includes a discussion of the proposed project's effects on the existing environment, including the identification of mitigation measures to reduce potential impacts. No significant effects that could not be mitigated to a less than significant level were identified. In accordance with the CEQA statutes and Guidelines, the IS/MND is being circulated for a period of 21 days for public review and comment. The public has an opportunity to provide written comments on the information contained within the IS/MND.

The 21-day review period will start on April 18, 2011 and end on May 9, 2011. A copy of the document is available for public review on the Port of Los Angeles' website at: <http://www.portoflosangeles.org>; Los Angeles Harbor Department Environmental Management Division at 425 S. Palos Verdes Street, San Pedro, CA 90731; Los Angeles City Library, San Pedro Branch at 931 S. Gaffey Street, San Pedro, CA 90731; and Los Angeles City Library, Wilmington Branch at 1300 North Avalon, Wilmington, CA 90744.

Comments on the IS/MND should be submitted in writing prior to the end of the 21-day public review period and must be postmarked by May 9, 2011. Please submit written comments to:

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

Written comments may also be sent via email to ceqacomment@portla.org. Comments sent via email should include the project title in the subject line and a valid mailing address in the email.

Questions regarding this notice or the proposed project should be directed to Lisa Ochsner, CEQA Supervisor at (310) 732-3412.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cannon', with a stylized flourish at the end.

CHRISTOPHER CANNON
Director of Environmental Management

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