Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044, Room 212 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 From: California Regional Water Quality Control Board San Diego Region 2375 Northside Drive, Suite 100 San Diego, CA 92108

Project Title: NASSCO Berth VII and VIII Bulkhead Improvements Project

Project Applicant: General Dynamics-NASSCO

Project Location – Specific: Latitude 32.689637°, Longitude -117.138719°

Project Location – City: San Diego Project Location – County: San Diego

Description or Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project involves construction of a new bulkhead and fender system at Berths VII and VIII to replace the existing dilapidated bulkhead. The construction of a new bulkhead requires it to be built outside of the existing bulkhead using a combination of 62 steel king piles, 379 linear feet of sheet piles, and 51 steel batter piles. The piling will be driven in place using an impact hammer. The proposed bulkhead will extend 4 feet from the existing bulkhead to accommodate the batter pile network and the approx. 0.04-acre void between the proposed and existing bulkhead will be backfilled with 837 cubic yards of cementitious slurry. A new fender pile system will be installed on the perimeter of the proposed bulkhead for continued accommodation of tugboats and skiffs and includes 45 steel H-piles that will be driven in place using a vibratory hammer. The Applicant will provide approx. 0.04 acre of restored bay floor from the removal of existing structures and debris within the shipyard leasehold to mitigate for the loss of jurisdictional area.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: CA Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Sara Giobbi, General Dynamics-NASSCO

Exempt Status:

Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);

Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));

Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));

X Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: <u>Class 2, Section 15302</u>

Statutory Exemption. State code and number:

Reasons why project is exempt: The project proposes to replace an existing facility that is located on the same site and has substantially the same purpose and capacity as the facility being replaced.

Responsible Agency

Contact Person: Lisa Honma Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 619-521-3367

If filed by applicant:

- 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
- 2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? \Box Yes \Box No

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resource Code. Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, 21152.1, Public Resource Code.