

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A FINAL INITIAL STUDY/NEGATIVE DECLARATION

**Date:** October 14, 2021

**Lead Agency:** City of Long Beach Harbor Department

Port of Long Beach

Project Title: World Oil Tank Installation Project

SCH# 2020100119

**Project Location:** 1405 Pier C Street, Long Beach, California 90813;

Northeast Long Beach Harbor Planning District (District 2); Los Angeles County

Notice is hereby given that the Port of Long Beach Board of Harbor Commissioners will hold a public hearing on October 28, 2021 to consider the adoption of the Final Initial Study/Negative Declaration and Application Summary Report (IS/ND) prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and State CEQA Guidelines for the proposed World Oil Tank Installation Project (Project). The original Notice of Intent (NOI) and Draft IS/ND were issued on October 7, 2020 and comments were accepted through November 20, 2020. The IS/ND evaluates the potential impacts of the proposed Project on the existing environment. The proposed Project is not on any of the lists enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code (CEQA Guidelines Section 15087 (c)(6)).

**Project Description:** Ribost Terminal LLC, DBA World Oil Terminals (World Oil) operates a petroleum bulk station and terminal to transport crude oil and fuel oils via pipeline and truck loading racks to and from onsite storage tanks at their privately-owned facility located on Pier C at the Port of Long Beach. World Oil is proposing to construct and operate two new 25,000 barrel-capacity internal floating roof petroleum storage tanks at their facility. Construction of the two new tanks would include new tank foundations and pipeline connections to existing facility infrastructure, such as the truck loading racks. The proposed Project would provide additional storage capacity to increase the efficiency of terminal operations with no increase in throughput, due to limitations associated with the physical geometry of the site, physical limitations of the existing pipelines and truck loading racks, and permitted throughput limit. The new tanks would replace 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.

**Public Review Period:** The 30-day public review period for the Draft IS/ND began on October 7, 2020, and ended on November 5, 2020. The public review period was extended 15 days for a total of 45 days, ending on November 20, 2020.

**Public Hearing (Virtual):** The Board of Harbor Commissioners meetings are held via teleconference; members of the public can observe the meeting via webcast. Board of Harbor Commissioners will hear this item at their meeting on:

## Thursday, October 28, 2021 starting at 9:00 a.m.

Public Comment during the Public Hearing: Members of the public are invited to participate in the public hearing and provide comment on this item via teleconference. Starting on October 14, 2021, you may register to make comment in advance by calling the following number: (562) 714-9893 or by emailing <a href="mailto:bhc@polb.com">bhc@polb.com</a>. Please provide your name and telephone number for a return call, and specify "World Oil Public Hearing".

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You will be called during the meeting on the item you specify. If you do not answer when called, we will move on to the next public speaker.

On the day of the public hearing, members of the public who desire to participate on an item may call in after 9:00 a.m. as long as they call the number provided below on or before one minute after the item is called. Please remain on the line and Port staff will provide additional instructions prior to opening the line for your public comment. Calls will be addressed in the order they were received.

**Dial-In Telephone Number:** (408) 418-9388 **Enter meeting number:** 2488 992 6760 #

Attendee ID: If you do not have an Attendee ID, please press #

Please note that each speaker will be given 3 minutes to address the Board of Harbor Commissioners, but the 3 minutes may be reduced at the discretion of the Board based on the number of speakers.

For the Board of Harbor Commissioners meeting agenda and more information on how to submit public comments on an agenda item, please visit: <a href="https://www.polb.com/webcast">https://www.polb.com/webcast</a>.

**Document Availability:** Starting October 14, 2021, the Final IS/ND will be available on the Port of Long Beach's website at: <a href="https://www.polb.com/ceqa">https://www.polb.com/ceqa</a>.

Printed copies of the Final IS/ND can be provided upon request and must be picked up by appointment only at the Port's Administration Building located at 415 West Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach. To obtain a printed copy, please schedule an appointment by sending an email to <a href="mailto:ceqa@polb.com">ceqa@polb.com</a> or call (562) 283-7100.

**Accommodations:** If special accommodations or translation services are needed to participate in the public hearing, please contact us 48 hours prior to the meeting at ceqa@polb.com or (562) 283-7100.

**Contact Information:** For more information, please email <a href="mailto:ceqa@polb.com">ceqa@polb.com</a> and include in the subject line: "World Oil Tank Installation Project", or call (562) 283-7100.

Signed: Martha Com. Date: 10/12/2021

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