



## H-1 CORRESPONDENCE - SA Recycling

July 13, 2015

Honorable Long Beach City Council Members  
333 W. Ocean Boulevard  
14<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Long Beach, CA 90802

Re: Mitsubishi Cement Corp Facility Modification Project Proposal

Dear Honorable City Council Members;

As a proud tenant of the Port of Long Beach, we urge the Port of Long Beach and its Board of Harbor Commissioners to support the Facility Modification Project proposed for the Mitsubishi Cement Corporation import terminal at Pier F in Long Beach, CA.

We are all pleased that the San Pedro Bay Port Complex is indisputably the driving economic force in Southern California providing one in eight jobs in Long Beach and 40% of the nation's cargo. It is our belief that we need to support activities within the ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles including our fellow tenants to remain an economic power. California continues to struggle with obstacles within the State and competition from other ports in North American, the East Coast, Canadian, and Mexican Ports. Many ports are aggressively pursuing California's market share in anticipation of the widened Panama Canal becoming operational in 2016. Not only are the other ports investing billions of dollars in capital improvement programs, they have also put powerful tax credit incentives in place to grow their market share at the demise of our Port Complex. If we cede our leadership to those states, we will likely never see that business again. The Mitsubishi project will keep our Port diverse and help us grow in business, manufacturing, and trade-related jobs over the years to come. This will maintain our competitive edge as the international trade leader of the nation. The expansion of this operation will further maximize the assets of the Port of Long Beach, increasing direct jobs, and helping support other jobs by providing cement, one of the basic ingredients in both commercial and residential construction, to the local economy in a more cost effective and efficient manner.

We note that in its Final Environmental Impact Report Mitsubishi Cement Corporation fully supports the Port of Long Beach's environmental programs by increasing cargo throughput while at the same time decreasing harmful emissions.

SA Recycling strongly urges your support and approval of this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terry Adams", is written over a horizontal line.

Terry Adams  
Director, SA Recycling LLC