

SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION**

**To:** Governor's Office of Planning and Research - State Clearinghouse  
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Sacramento, CA 95814-5502  
and  
County Clerk, Dean Logan  
County of Los Angeles  
12400 E Imperial Hwy, Room 2001  
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**From:** South Coast Air Quality Management District  
(South Coast AQMD)  
21865 Copley Drive  
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

**Subject:** Filing of Notice of Determination in Compliance with Public Resources Code Section 21152 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15096(i)

**Project Title:** World Oil Tank Installation Project

**State Clearinghouse No:** 2020100119

**Project Applicant and Project Location:** Ribost Terminal, LLC dba World Oil Terminals (Ribost)  
South Coast AQMD Facility ID Number 111238  
1405 Pier C Street, Long Beach, California 90813  
Northeast Long Beach Harbor District (District 2); Los Angeles County

**Lead Agency:** Port of Long Beach  
City of Long Beach Harbor Department  
415 West Ocean Boulevard  
Long Beach, CA 90802

**Lead Agency Contact:** Jennifer Blanchard,  
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**Responsible Agency:** South Coast AQMD  
21865 Copley Drive  
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

**Responsible Agency Contact:** Barbara Radlein,  
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**Date of Project Approval:** December 31, 2024

**Project Description:** The Port of Long Beach, as the Lead Agency for the World Oil Tank Installation Project (Project), prepared and certified the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for Harbor Development Permit 19-066 pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as part of their September 23, 2024 approval of the Project. The Final EIR analyzed the construction and operation of two new 25,000-barrel (bbl) petroleum storage tanks with internal floating roofs. Ribost operates seven existing petroleum tanks (two storage tanks with a capacity of approximately 43,000 bbl each, two storage tanks with a capacity of 67,000 bbl each, and three storage tanks with a capacity of 94,000 bbl each), in which three storage tanks (two 43,000-bbl tanks and one 67,000-bbl tank) are dedicated to holding crude oil for World Oil Refinery and the other four storage tanks are available for lease to customers for the storage of marine fuels and marine fuel blending components. The two new storage tanks would be connected to existing facility infrastructure, including the truck loading racks and pipelines. Crude oil, which is currently stored in two tanks designated for World Oil Refinery, would be transferred to the new storage tanks while the two existing larger tanks would be made available for lease to other customers.

The Project will require South Coast AQMD air permits for the two new 25,000-bbl internal floating roof storage tanks.

The Port of Long Beach did not adopt Findings, a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, or a Statement of Overriding Considerations, as set forth in the Port of Long Beach's Notice of Determination which was filed on September 24, 2024 and Amended Notice of Determination which was filed on November 21, 2024 for the Project.

This is to advise that the South Coast AQMD, as the Responsible Agency, has approved the above-described Project and made the following determinations:

1. The Project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A Final EIR for the World Oil Tank Installation Project (State Clearinghouse No. 2020100119) was prepared and certified by the Port of Long Beach, as Lead Agency for the Project, pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. The Port of Long Beach did not adopt mitigation measures as a condition of Project approval.
4. The Port of Long Beach did not adopt Findings, a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, or a Statement of Overriding Considerations.
5. The South Coast AQMD, after reviewing and considering the Final EIR and the environmental effects of the Project, the Notice of Determination filed on September 24, 2024 and the Amended Notice of Determination filed on November 21, 2024, determined that: i) the Final EIR is adequate for use by South Coast AQMD as set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15096(e); ii) mitigation measures and a Mitigation Monitoring and

Reporting Plan are not required because no significant impacts were identified in the Final EIR; and iii) Findings as described in CEQA Guidelines Section 15096(h) and a Statement of Overriding Considerations as described in CEQA Guidelines Section 15093 are not required because no significant impacts were identified in the Final EIR.

6. These Responsible Agency determinations for the Project reflect the independent judgment of the South Coast AQMD.

This is to certify that the following documents are available to the public and may be examined at South Coast AQMD located at 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765: 1) the Final EIR with comments and responses; 2) supporting materials and the record of Project approval by the Port of Long Beach including the Notice of Determination filed on September 24, 2024 and the Amended Notice of Determination filed on November 21, 2024; 3) the determination of the adequacy of the Final EIR for use by the South Coast AQMD; 4) supporting documentation provided by the applicant, Ribost; and 5) the record of Project approval by the South Coast AQMD.

Date Received for Filing: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

 December 31, 2024

Kevin Ni on behalf of  
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