

November 19, 2024

Long Beach City Council 411 W. Ocean Boulevard, 11th Floor Long Beach, California 90802

Subject: Item 26: Letter of Support for Ribost Terminal Storage Tank Project

Dear Honorable Mayor Richardson and Members of the City Council,

On behalf of the Downtown Long Beach Alliance (DTLB Alliance), I am writing to express our support for the Ribost Terminal Storage Tank Project. As you know, the DTLB Alliance is committed to fostering economic growth and sustainability for the tenants, commercial entities, and residential property owners in Downtown Long Beach and surrounding areas. This project will enhance our regional infrastructure, economic vitality, and environmental responsibility.

The Environmental Impact Report (EIR) confirms no significant environmental impact from the Ribost Terminal Storage Tank Project, emphasizing a responsible approach to development that aligns with California's clean energy goals. This project will create local construction union jobs and provide long-term employment opportunities in operations and maintenance. These jobs will support local families and stimulate local economic activity. The construction of this project will contribute millions of dollars to the economy, bolstering infrastructure efficiency and the long-term resilience in the Port of Long Beach.

The DTLB Alliance appreciates the Council's dedication to advancing projects that prioritize both community and environmental sustainability. We believe the Ribost Terminal Storage Tank Project is a pivotal step forward in building a prosperous and sustainable future for Long Beach.

Furthermore, we believe more, good-paying jobs near our urban center makes DTLB a more desirable place for people to live, work, and enjoy as a destination.

We appreciate your attention to this note and to the efforts to bring jobs to the area.

Sincerely,

Austin Metoyer, President & CEO

Downtown Long Beach Alliance