



South Coast Air Quality Management District

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**SUBJECT: SECOND EXTENSION OF REVIEW PERIOD FOR THE NOTICE
OF COMPLETION OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
REPORT**

**PROJECT TITLE: TESORO REFINING & MARKETING COMPANY LLC LOS
ANGELES REFINERY INTEGRATION AND COMPLIANCE
PROJECT**

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) is the Lead Agency and has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the project identified above. The comment period began on March 8, 2016 and was originally extended to end on May 24, 2016. Due to numerous public requests and Tesoro's interest in supporting that request, the SCAQMD has decided to provide a second extension of the public comment period to June 10, 2016. No changes have been made to the Draft EIR.

This letter and the attached Notice of Completion (NOC) are not SCAQMD applications or forms requiring a response from you. Their purpose is simply to provide information to you on the above project. If the proposed project has no bearing on you or your organization, no action on your part is necessary. The proposed project's description, location, and potential adverse environmental impacts are summarized in the NOC.

Copies of the Draft EIR and other relevant documents may be obtained by calling the SCAQMD Public Information Center at (909) 396-2039 or accessing the SCAQMD's CEQA website at <http://www.aqmd.gov/home/library/documents-support-material/lead-agency-permit-projects/permit-project-documents---year-2016>. Comments focusing on your area of expertise, your agency's area of jurisdiction, or issues relative to the environmental analysis will be accepted during a 94-day public review ending 5 p.m. on Friday, June 10, 2016. Please send any comments to Ms. Jillian Wong (c/o Office of Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources/CEQA) at the address shown above. Comments can also be sent via facsimile to (909) 396-3324 or e-mail at jwong1@aqmd.gov. Ms. Wong can be reached by calling (909) 396-3176. Please include the name and phone number of the contact person for your organization.

Project Applicant: Tesoro Refining & Marketing LLC

Date: May 20, 2016

Signature:

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SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
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EXTENSION OF REVIEW PERIOD FOR THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF DRAFT
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR)

Project Title:

Tesoro Refining & Marketing Company LLC Los Angeles Refinery Integration and Compliance Project

Project Applicant: Tesoro Refining and Marketing LLC

SCH No.: 2014091020

Project Location:

Tesoro Refining & Marketing Company LLC Los Angeles Refinery is located at 2350 East 223rd Street, Carson, CA 90749 and 2101 East Pacific Coast Highway, Wilmington, Los Angeles County, California 90744

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The Tesoro Refining & Marketing Company LLC is proposing the Los Angeles Refinery Integration and Compliance Project. In June 2013, Tesoro purchased the adjacent BP West Coast Products LLC Carson Refinery which, as part of the proposed project, will be more fully integrated with the Tesoro Los Angeles Refinery – Wilmington Operations to form the Tesoro Los Angeles Refinery (Refinery). The Refinery includes: (1) the Wilmington Operations located at 2101 East Pacific Coast Highway in the Wilmington District of the City of Los Angeles; and (2) the Carson Operations, which is the former BP Carson Refinery located at 2350 East 223rd Street in the City of Carson.

In addition to further Refinery integration, the proposed project is designed to comply with the federally-mandated Tier 3 gasoline specifications and with State and local regulations mandating emission reductions. The Los Angeles Refinery Integration and Compliance Project is expected to substantially reduce greenhouse gas (GHG), sulfur oxides (SO_x), nitrogen oxides (NO_x), carbon monoxide (CO), and particulate matter (PM) emissions at the Refinery. This will be accomplished by reconfiguring the combined Refinery complex to enable shutting down the Fluid Catalytic Cracking Unit (FCCU) at the Wilmington Operations, by installing interconnecting pipelines, and by reconfiguring the combined Refinery complex to improve the gasoline to distillate production ratio from the integrated Refinery in order to expeditiously respond and adjust to ongoing changes in market demand for various types of petroleum products. Additionally, heat recovery will be optimized by installing new heat exchangers and modifying specified units to further minimize criteria pollutant and GHG emissions. All new and modified stationary sources with emission increases will be required to comply with Best Available Control Technology (BACT) requirements in South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) Rule 1303.

Air quality, noise, greenhouse gases, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology/water quality, solid/hazardous waste, and transportation/traffic, are the environmental areas that were evaluated in the Draft EIR for the proposed project. The analysis of impacts for construction and operation indicated that construction emissions for VOC and NO_x are expected to remain significant regionally following mitigation. Concentrations of NO₂ from construction activities are expected to cause a significant impact to local air quality and while the mitigation measures would reduce those impacts, the localized air quality impacts would remain significant. Hazards and hazardous material impacts generated by the proposed project are expected to remain significant after mitigation. The Refinery is located on lists of California Department of Toxics Substances Control hazardous waste facilities per Government Code §65962.5. Traffic impacts during construction were found to be significant prior to mitigation and less than significant with the implementation of mitigation. The remainder of the impacts in the above listed areas (i.e., air quality during operation, GHGs, hydrology/water quality, noise, and solid/hazardous waste) were found to be less than significant. The NOP/IS concluded that the proposed project would not create significant adverse environmental impacts to the following areas: aesthetics, agricultural and forestry resources, biological resources, cultural resources, energy, geology and soils, land use and planning, mineral resources, population and housing, public services, and recreation.

Lead Agency:

South Coast Air Quality Management District

Division:

Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources

Draft EIR and all supporting documentation are available at:

SCAQMD Headquarters
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

or by calling

(909) 396-2039

Draft EIR is available by accessing the SCAQMD's website at:

<http://www.aqmd.gov/home/library/document-s-support-material/lead-agency-permit-projects/permit-project-documents---year-2016>

Draft EIR is available at the following libraries:

Carson Library
151 E. Carson St.
Carson, CA 90745

Wilmington Branch Library
1300 N. Avalon Blvd.
Wilmington, CA 90744

Bret Harte Neighborhood Library
1595 W. Willow St.
Long Beach, CA 90810

The extended review period for the Draft EIR is provided through the following:

☒ Los Angeles Times (May 24, 2016)

☒ SCAQMD Website

☒ SCAQMD Public Information Center

☒ Interested Parties

☒ SCAQMD Mailing List

Draft EIR Extended Review Period (94-Day):

March 8, 2016 **extended through June 10, 2016** (previously scheduled to end on May 24, 2016)

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