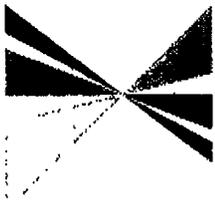


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April 10, 2002

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RE: SCAG Clearinghouse No. I 20020159 Ultramar Inc. Wilmington Refinery CARB Phase 3 Proposed Project

Dear Ms. Stevens:

Thank you for submitting the Ultramar Inc. Wilmington Refinery CARB Phase 3 Proposed Project to SCAG for review and comment. As areawide clearinghouse for regionally significant projects, SCAG reviews the consistency of local plans, projects and programs with regional plans. This activity is based on SCAG's responsibilities as a regional planning organization pursuant to state and federal laws and regulations. Guidance provided by these reviews is intended to assist local agencies and project sponsors to take actions that contribute to the attainment of regional goals and policies.

We have reviewed the Ultramar Inc. Wilmington Refinery CARB Phase 3 Proposed Project, and have determined that the proposed Project is not regionally significant per SCAG Intergovernmental Review (IGR) Criteria and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines (Section 15206). Therefore, the proposed Project does not warrant comments at this time. Should there be a change in the scope of the proposed Project, we would appreciate the opportunity to review and comment at that time.

A description of the proposed Project was published in SCAG's March 31, 2002 Intergovernmental Review Clearinghouse Report for public review and comment.

The project title and SCAG Clearinghouse number should be used in all correspondence with SCAG concerning this Project. Correspondence should be sent to the attention of the Clearinghouse Coordinator. If you have any questions, please contact me at (213) 236-1867. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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COMMENT LETTER NO. 2
LETTER FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Jeffrey M. Smith
April 10, 2002

Response 2-1

The SCAQMD understands that the Ultramar CARB Phase 3 proposed project is not regionally significant per SCAG intergovernmental review criteria and the CEQA Guidelines, and that the proposed project does not warrant comments from SCAG at this time. Any changes to the scope of the project will be forwarded to SCAG.