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Dear Mr. Joumbalt:

The Wilmington Chamber of Commerce supports the ICTF Modernization/Expansion Project for the following reasons:

- A tremendous decrease in harmful emissions through the use of electric cranes, the elimination of rail yard trucks, use of Genset Locomotives; High Tech Gates that will process trucks within 20 seconds compared to five minutes and a further commitment to test additional Green Technologies that could potentially clean our environment more.
- This modernization in conjunction with the proposed SR47 Expressway will go hand in hand and help ensure the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach remain competitive by handling goods in the most efficient and cleanest manner possible. If we can handle goods efficiently, we can better serve our customers and in the process help our customers improve their bottom lines.
- Given our current economic climate our Chamber feels that there should be a sense of urgency to clean our air; create jobs, new tax revenues and take action now to ensure our Ports are a desirable destination for Goods Movement

There is too much at stake to delay this project.

Sincerely,

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