



**LOCAL 675**  
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November 14, 2019

The Honorable Nury Martinez  
Chairwoman, Los Angeles City Council Committee on Energy, Climate Change and  
Environmental Justice City of Los Angeles  
200 North Spring Street  
Suite 470  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Council File 17-0447 – Preserve Safe Steelworker Oil & Gas Careers

Dear Chairwoman Martinez:

Thank you very much for holding your October 15 hearing on the City Petroleum Administrator's Oil & Gas Health Report. We are members of United Steelworkers Local 675 who proudly operate oil and natural gas wells and facilities in industrial zones of the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach for Tidelands Oil Production Co., a subsidiary of California Resources Corporation (CRC). We had many members in attendance at your hearing but only one was called on to speak, so we wanted to write to you directly for our voices to be heard.

Our Tidelands operation in Los Angeles and Long Beach is unique in several ways:

- We work at the only 100% union operated oil field in California.
- Tidelands Steelworkers from Local 675 are on duty 24 hours a day, every day of the year to monitor our wells and facilities and ensure safety and environmental quality.
- Our brothers and sisters from the Building Trades safely perform construction under CRC's statewide project labor agreement.
- We work hard and we earn good pay and benefits, allowing us to provide for our families.
- Our field is a public-private partnership.
- The State Lands Commission owns the minerals in the Tidelands.
- The State shares directly in every barrel of oil we produce.
- Our wells and facilities are entirely in an industrial area near the Port of LA specifically zoned for oil drilling and production.

Our families and friends live in LA City or County, and we're raising our kids here.

- Air quality and public health are important to us, and so are our careers.
- The Oil & Gas Health Report concluded that there is no evidence of health impacts from

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local production.

- We know the safeguards and regulations we apply and the emission controls we have in place.
- We also know that supertankers idling off our coastline to come into the Port don't have any emission controls.
- Shutting down the City's local production would result in more emissions from supertankers, lost local jobs and worse public health.

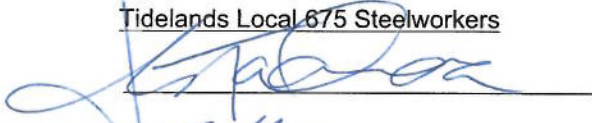
Mayor Garcetti's 2018 election slogan was "Making LA Work." The Steelworkers have a proud tradition of doing that safely every day. Our careers and our livelihoods are in your hands. Please don't desert us.

Sincerely,



John Crouch  
Chief Steward

Tidelands Local 675 Steelworkers





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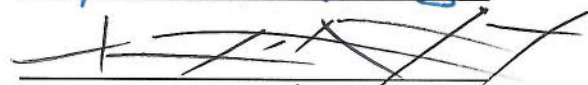
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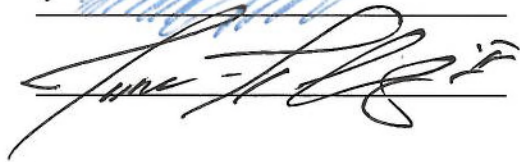


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