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Jeff Wingfield, Deputy Port Director, Regulatory and Public Affairs Port of Stockton PO Box 2089 Stockton, CA 95201 *jwingfield@stocktonport.com* 

Dear Jeff Wingfield:

Thank you for submitting a response letter to CARB regarding the deficiencies CARB identified in your initial terminal plan (Plan) on August 4, 2022, for the Port of Stockton (the Port). The deficiency that CARB identified in your original terminal plan included not identifying a schedule to installing equipment. The revised Plan is considered complete, however, CARB would like to provide a few clarifications regarding the revised plan that was submitted by the Port. The revised plan states that the schedule for installing control equipment at the Port is by January 2, 2025, but is "contingent upon technology development for safe tanker operations and certified by CARB." CARB wants to remind the Port that tanker vessels visiting ports in Northern California must comply with the At Berth Regulation by January 1, 2027, not 2025.

Although the plan does specify that the Port wants to utilize a shore-based CARB approved emission control strategy (CAECS) once one has been certified by the State for tanker ships, it is not clear that the Port is currently working with CAECS providers before a system is CARB approved. CARB wants to remind the Port that a delay in planning for the appropriate control technology at your terminal does not excuse a terminal from their compliance obligation under the At Berth Regulation. Updated plans for tanker terminals must be submitted the year before the compliance date reflecting any changes to the terminal operator's strategy. CARB encourages the Port to work to expedite the development, installation, and deployment of shore power or another CAECS that is appropriate for your specific terminal.

Additional information on Port and Terminal Plans can be found on *CARB's At Berth Regulation Implementation* website. If you have any questions about the specific concerns identified by CARB, please contact Elizabeth Melgoza, Air Pollution Specialist, Marine Strategies Section, by email at *Elizabeth.Melgoza@arb.ca.gov*.

Sincerely,

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