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Ms. Barbara Richards, Acting Director  
Office of Special Needs Assistance Program  
Department of Housing and Urban Development  
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Dear Ms. Richards:

Pursuant to 42 USC Section 11411, our office submitted a McKinney Act Information Checklist on March 10, 1994 for the Seaside Avenue/Site 6A parcel, located in the City of Los Angeles, at Naval Station, Long Beach, California, for a determination of suitability. The Port of Los Angeles provided additional information with respect to this parcel which we brought to your attention by a letter dated May 6, 1994.

By letter dated June 3, 1994, the Port of Los Angeles provided more specific information regarding the proximity of flammable and explosive materials to Site 6A, and requested that the Navy forward this additional information to your office (see enclosure).

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at (619) 556-0260.

Sincerely,

*Joan K. Shepard*

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By direction of  
the Commanding Officer

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June 3, 1994

Ms. Kimberly Kesler  
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Dear Ms. Kesler:

**SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RELATIVE TO THE SITE 6A CHECKLIST**

In early May, the Port provided you with information relative to Item 7(b) of the McKinney Act Information Checklist regarding the storage of flammable and explosive materials in proximity to Site 6A. In a letter dated May 6, your office forwarded this information to the Office of Special Needs Assistance Program in the Department of Housing and Urban Development for their consideration.

The Port would like to provide more specific information regarding the proximity of flammable and explosive materials to Site 6A and requests that the Navy forward this additional information to HUD.

As was stated earlier, the Port proposes to develop the existing Brighton Beach railyard, located on the north side of Site 6A, into a near dock rail transfer facility. The Port plans to start construction on this facility next year which will have a potential annual throughput capacity of approximately 520,000 containers. The percentage of containers handling hazardous materials at the near dock rail transfer facility is estimated at up to 12 percent, or 62,400 containers annually.

The hazardous materials which may be handled at the facility include:

- ° Explosive materials - compounds which are classified by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) as A, B or C explosives
- ° Toxic materials - gases, liquids or solids which may cause a hazard to life or health by ingestion, inhalation or absorption through the skin
- ° Flammable liquids and materials - gases, liquified gases, liquids, dusts, fibers and other materials which are flammable
- ° Corrosive Materials - solids, liquids or gases
- ° Oxidizing materials - compounds yielding oxygen or reacting when subjected to water, heat or fire conditions

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- ° Unstable materials - materials which react from heat, shock, friction, contamination, etc. and are capable of violent decomposition or autoreaction, but are not primarily designed as explosives
- ° Radioactive materials - materials which undergo spontaneous emission of radiation from decaying atomic nuclei

Based on the annual throughput of 62,400 containers handling hazardous materials, over 170 containers per day would be stored in the rail facility which store hazardous materials. The storage of these containers are located well within 2,000 feet of the property boundary, which, we understand is a criteria for finding the site unsuitable for homeless use.

Three underground high pressure pipelines also run through Site 6A. These pipelines, which operate at a maximum pressure of 250 psi (pounds per square inch) carry aviation fuels (JP-5, JP-8) and diesel marine fuels.

The presence of the high pressure pipelines and the proximity of the rail facility to Site 6A pose significant risks to Site 6A and should be cause to find the site unsuitable for homeless use.

Due to the time sensitivity of this process, it is requested that this information be forwarded to the Department of Housing and Urban Development as soon as possible. If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact David Mathewson at (310) 732-3857.

Sincerely,

  
SID ROBINSON  
Director of  
Planning & Research

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