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To Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to Water Board
(sent by mail and also e-mail to = commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov)

Re: My full and complete SUPPORT for Proposed Amendment to the Los Angeles Regional Basin Plan to Revise the Total Maximum Daily Loads for Marina del Rey Pollutants.

Yes I support your plan to restrict Copper in the bottom paint for boats. I am a boat owner of a 68 foot power boat in Marina del Rey D Basin #166 that is in immediate need of new bottom paint, which I intend to have done in the next 2 or 3 months. I have a bid/estimate of \$16,505.00 from the local Windward Yacht haul out yard that will completely comply (after careful reading) with all your new regulations and requirements. My usual costs have historically for the last 14 years been about \$3,500 for bottom paint, which lasts on average 3-4 years.

In other words, in order to comply with your requirements it will cost me \$13,005 more than usual. I know from your frequent description and discussion in your literature and press releases that you have a fund to reimburse owners for the extra costs of compliance. This is similar to what you did in San Diego. I am therefore requesting you immediately send me a check to cover the \$13,005 additional costs. I need the check in advance as the yard requires me to pay in full before I leave the yard. You are welcome to make the check payable to Windward Haul Out Yard, and to send it to them directly. I can supply you with their address.

At your request, I can supply you with a copy of the yards estimate and/or invoice, and any information you need about my boat (name, document number, etc). If you have any questions you can reach me at the above letter-head phone number.

If you are unable to immediately send the \$13,005 check (as described above), then please advise me if I should deduct the difference from my California Income tax or from my Los Angeles County boat property tax. **Note that I will need your answer on your letter-head and in writing.** Also, please advise me of the following. (A) I am advised that your required new paint (the 2 part epoxy) will only last about one year. How do you plan to reimburse me if the new paint only lasts one year rather than the standard 3-4 years, and (B) How will you reimburse me for the extra cost of bottom cleaning. Your new paint requires my hull be cleaned about each 14 days rather my 14 years of experience that normal hull cleaning by a diver lasts about one month during the summer and 5-6 weeks during the winter.

I will thank you in advance for protecting the environment and for the prompt receipt of your check, and/or your letter answering to where I should make the deduction.

Also note that as a citizen, and you are a regulated government agency, I am legally entitled to your answers both promptly and in writing.

Sincerely,
Larry Silver