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Thea Tryon Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board 895 Aerovista Place, Suite 101 San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Re: SITE CLEANUP PROGRAM: SANTA BARBARA HARBOR DRY DOCK – **RESPONSE TO COMMENTS ON PUBLIC NOTICE OF PLAN FOR NO FURTHER ACTION**

Dear Thea:

Heal the Ocean wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for a well developed response to Heal the Ocean's letter on the Santa Barbara Harbor and Dry Dock (April 11, 2012). We apologize for the late response to the RWQCB (July 20, 2012) letter on this issue, and have to confess that it fell to the bottom of a pile of other documents in our office.

Nevertheless, we wanted to thank you for following through on this issue. Heal the Ocean frequently comments on water quality issues and policy at both the State and local level and have received a range of responses to these comments over the years. We appreciate the proactive approach that the RWQCB is taking with water and sediment quality issues in the Santa Barbara Harbor, and fully support the CCAMP monitoring plan for 2014/2015. We look forward to seeing the results from that work.

Best Regards,

Hillary Hauser, Executive Director James Hawkins, Associate Researcher

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