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REPORT RE:

**DRAFT ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 64.00 AND 64.30 OF
THE LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE TO MODIFY THE CITY'S
WASTEWATER TREATMENT PROGRAM TO MAINTAIN
CONSISTENCY WITH THE NATIONAL PRETREATMENT PROGRAM
ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO THE FEDERAL CLEAN WATER ACT**

The Honorable City Council
of the City of Los Angeles
Room 395, City Hall
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Council File No. 14-0296

Honorable Members:

Pursuant to your request, this Office has prepared and now transmits for your consideration the enclosed draft ordinance, approved as to form and legality. The draft ordinance amends Sections 64.00 and 64.30 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to conform the City's wastewater treatment program to revisions made to the National Pretreatment Program, Title 40 part 403 of the Code of Federal Regulations. The ordinance makes technical changes to the industrial wastewater significant industrial user permit template, permit standard conditions, permit fact-sheet, record-keeping procedures, slug evaluation form, reporting requirements and industrial user monitoring requirements, and amends definitions and abbreviations relevant to those revised provisions. The ordinance also provides for the recovery of the City's treatment costs associated with the discharge of water from construction and other dewatering activities to the City's sewer collection system.

CEQA Findings

The Bureau of Engineering (BOE) has prepared a notice of exemption (enclosed) determining that the ordinance is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to the provisions of California Code of Regulations Section 15308 in that the ordinance consists of actions to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement or protection of the environment, and does not authorize construction activities or relax standards allowing environmental degradation. If the subject ordinance is enacted, the City Council should cite such determination, and staff should file a Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk in accordance with CEQA.

Council Rule 38 Referral

A copy of the draft ordinance was sent, pursuant to Council Rule 38, to the Bureau of Sanitation with a request that all comments, if any, be presented directly to City Council when this matter is considered.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney John A. Carvalho at (213) 485-1066. He or another member of this Office will be present when you consider this matter to answer any questions you may have.

Very truly yours,

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Transmittal