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**COUNCILMEMBER JOSE HUIZAR, RELIGIOUS LEADERS, AND LOCAL
RESIDENTS PROTEST BOYLE HEIGHTS HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE
ATTEMPTING TO USURP CITY PROCESSES**

LOS ANGELES, Calif. Councilmember José Huizar, District 14, along with 100 Boyle Heights residents and local advocates Terry Cano, Resurrection Neighborhood Watch, Father John Moretta, Resurrection Church marched to protest a state-authorized permit, which would allow the Industrial Service Oil Company (ISOCI), a hazardous waste facility at 1700 S. Soto Street in Boyle Heights, to expand.

"We continue to fight together against the expansion of the Industrial Service Oil Company (ISOCI) facility on Soto in Boyle Heights. This facility is located near the Los Angeles River and in close proximity to homes where our families and children live and go to school," said Councilman Huizar. "The expansion of this facility would mean risk to our families, our children and our community and our City."

The oil company proposes to expand its current 2.2-acre used oil and spent antifreeze treatment, storage and recycling facility to allow storage of a greater number of hazardous materials for longer durations and across more land area.

"I consider this to be one of the most dangerous propositions to the community. If the State of California decides to by-pass the City and the community input process, then this has the potential to be one of the greatest disasters for the people of Boyle Heights and all of Los Angeles," said Monsignor John Moretta.

ISOCI has appealed a provision in the state permit, which would require them to obtain a conditional land use permit from the City of Los Angeles for the expansion before the state permit becomes effective. Residents believe the expansion would pose a significant health and public safety risk to neighborhoods close to the facility.

"The expansion of this facility would pose a significant health and public safety risks, endangering the lives of the people of the City of Los Angeles and would undermine plans for revitalization of the community and the adjacent Los Angeles River," said community leader Terry Cano.



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Huizar shares the community's concerns and is angry the facility is attempting to usurp the City's authority and avoid the community process.

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