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June 28, 2010

Mr. Kurt Bratton  
General Manager  
Republic Services, Inc.  
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Sylmar, CA 91342

Dear Mr. Bratton:

**PROGRESS OF REVEGETATION EFFORTS AT SUNSHINE CANYON CITY/COUNTY LANDFILL, SYLMAR, CA**

On behalf of the Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force), I would like to thank you for facilitating a site visit of the Sunshine Canyon Landfill on May 5, 2010. Observations of the revegetated areas provided a clearer understanding of the site conditions and Republic Services, Inc./Browning-Ferris Industries' (Republic) efforts to revegetate the temporary and permanent slopes on both the City and County portions of the landfill.

Based on observations made during the site visit, the requirements of the Task Force's Finding of Conformance granted on December 18, 2008, and considering the revegetation work plan outlined in your April 20, 2010, letter the Task Force has the following comments:

- Task Force staff will continue to monitor BFI's revegetation progress, including its compliance with the South Coast Air Quality Management District's Order for Abatement, and provide monthly updates to the Facility and Plan Review Subcommittee of the Task Force. The Task Force invites Republic to attend the Task Force's Facility and Plan Review Subcommittee meetings and provide any supporting documentation that demonstrates Republic's revegetation efforts.
- The Task Force strongly encourages Republic to increase efforts in revegetating the top cover of the closed City of Los Angeles portion of the Landfill, particularly in the vicinity of the helipad area. Lack of vegetation in these particular areas

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was observed during the site visit. In upcoming quarterly reports, please identify the location of the helipad area, and specific efforts made to revegetate this area.

- To minimize any noise impacts for the residents of Granada Hills, the Task Force encourages Republic to construct sound baffles or barriers to reduce the noise associated with the landing and taking off of helicopters utilizing the helipad within the landfill.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Mike Mohajer of the Task Force at (909) 592-1147.

Sincerely,



Margaret Clark, Vice-Chair  
Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/  
Integrated Waste management Task Force and  
Council Member, City of Rosemead

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