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Dr. Muntu Davis, MD, MPH  
Los Angeles County Health Officer  
Los Angeles County Department of Public Health  
313 North Figueroa Street, Room 127  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Mr. Davis:

**REQUEST FOR INFORMATION REGARDING HEALTH STUDIES RELATING TO  
THE ALISO CANYON GAS STORAGE FACILITY**

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) understands that the tentative Settlement Agreement from the State of California's lawsuit against the Southern California Gas Company concerning the Aliso Canyon Natural Gas Storage Facility (Facility) requires that a Health Study, to be managed by the Department of Public Health (Department), be conducted for the Facility. For informational purposes, the Task Force respectfully requests the Department to provide information on the Department's role and involvement in the settlement and the projected start date, duration, scope and objectives of the Health Study.

Additionally, as you may be aware, there is an ongoing request from the Task Force requesting for the Department's analysis of Dr. Jefferey Nordella's Health Study on the health impact from the Aliso Canyon gas leak, including, but not limited to, methane, on the residents of the Porter Ranch community, and has regularly included this item on its monthly Facility and Plan Review Subcommittee Meeting Agendas for discussion. The Task Force continues to have a keen interest in this matter since methane is one of the most potent components of landfill gas, and proximity of Porter Ranch to Sunshine Canyon City/County Landfill and its neighboring residents. Therefore, the Task Force respectfully requests the Department to provide an analysis on Dr. Jefferey Nordella's Health Study.

As background information, the Task Force was formed pursuant to Chapter 3.67 of the Los Angeles County Code and the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (Assembly Bill 939, as amended). The Task Force is responsible for coordinating

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the development of all major solid waste planning documents prepared for the County of Los Angeles and the 88 cities in Los Angeles County. The Task Force also addresses issues impacting the system on a countywide basis including, but not limited to, ensuring the conformance of the in-County solid waste disposal facilities with the Los Angeles County Countywide Siting Element and its siting criteria. The Task Force membership includes representatives of the League of California Cities-Los Angeles County Division, County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, City of Los Angeles, waste management industry, environmental groups, the public, and a number of other governmental agencies including, but not limited to, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Mike Mohajer, a Member of the Task Force, at [MikeMohajer@yahoo.com](mailto:MikeMohajer@yahoo.com) or at (909) 592-1147.

Sincerely,



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