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June 23, 2011

Mr. Jeffrey Inabinet
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South Coast Air Quality Management District
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Dear Mr. Inabinet:

**SUNSHINE GAS PRODUCERS RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECT
NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF A DRAFT SUBSEQUENT ENVIRONMENTAL
IMPACT REPORT (SCH NO. 92041053)**

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) wants to thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) for the Sunshine Gas Producers Renewable Energy Project (Project) dated May 2011. We also want to express our appreciation for the discussion we had with you and Mr. Steve Smith of South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) during the June 16, 2011, meeting of the Task Force.

While the Task Force supports the development of renewable energy projects from landfill gas, we are also concerned about impacts the Project may have on the nearby residential community of Granada Hills and the Van Gogh Street Elementary school. Based on the Project information presented thus far, it appears that the Project may increase the emission levels of a number of constituents at the site beyond the baseline thereby impacting the surrounding communities. Accordingly, the Task Force requests that further analysis be conducted to refine the system in order to attain the lowest levels of emissions that are technologically feasible, eliminate the need for purchase of any offsets, and that consideration be given to evaluating this Project using a more stringent standard similar to those applied to publicly owned projects.


Pursuant to Chapter 3.67 of the Los Angeles County Code and the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (Assembly Bill 939 [AB 939], as amended), the Task Force is responsible for coordinating the development of all major solid waste planning documents prepared for the County of Los Angeles and the 88 cities in Los Angeles County with a combined population in excess of ten million. Consistent with these

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responsibilities and to ensure a coordinated, cost-effective, and environmentally sound solid waste management system in Los Angeles County, the Task Force also addresses issues impacting the system on a countywide basis. 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.

Your consideration towards implementing the most suitable technologies for this proposed Project and addressing the concerns of the Granada Hills community is greatly appreciated. As discussed during the Task Force meeting, we also appreciate the additional time granted to us in submitting these comments and your willingness to reevaluate SCAQMD's requirements in response to these concerns. 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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