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NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE RANCHO LOS AMIGOS SOUTH CAMPUS SPECIFIC PLAN (PROJECT)

Dear Mr. Blumenthal:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has received the document for the above-mentioned project.

Based on the review of the document, the DTSC comments are as follows:

- 1) The document needs to identify and determine whether current or historic uses at the project site have resulted in any release of hazardous wastes/substances at the project area.
- 2) The document needs to identify any known or potentially contaminated site within the proposed project area. For all identified sites, the document needs to evaluate whether conditions at the site pose a threat to human health or the environment.
- 3) The document should identify the mechanism to initiate any required investigation and/or remediation for any site that may require remediation, and which government agency will provide appropriate regulatory oversight.
- 4) If during construction of the project, soil contamination is suspected, construction in the area should stop and appropriate health and safety procedures should be implemented. If it is determined that contaminated soil exists, the document should identify how any required investigation or remediation will be conducted, and which government agency will provide appropriate regulatory oversight.

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DTSC provides guidance for Preliminary Endangerment Assessment (PEA) preparation, and cleanup oversight through the Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP). For additional information on the VCP, please visit DTSC's web site at www.dtsc.ca.gov. If you would like to meet and discuss this matter further, please contact me at (818) 717-6555 or Pete.Cooke@dtsc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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