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July 24, 2014

Amy White
Executive Director
LandWatch Monterey County
P.O. Box 1876
Salinas, CA 93902-1876

Re: Harper Canyon - Source Capacity Test

Dear Ms. White:

Thank you for your letter of July 22, 2014 where you expressed LandWatch's expectation that any Source Capacity Testing to be done for the Encina Hills (Harper Canyon) subdivision to be in accordance with our Source Capacity Testing Procedures. Since the well in question is in fractured/hard rock formation any Source Capacity Testing that will be conducted will be in accordance to the 72-hour/10-day Source Capacity Testing Procedures. The requirement to monitor wells within 1,000 feet of the well being tested was initially developed with Monterey Peninsula Water Management District and has been the standard requirement for all 72-hour source capacity tests. The 1,000 foot standard now appears in Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations. Environmental Health does not see the need to make a variance to this standard requirement.

The monitoring of wells identified within the 1,000 foot perimeter will need the cooperation and the permission of the property owners to monitor the wells. Also, the wells being monitored: 1) may have to remain inactive during the pumping period to measure any influence that may occur; and 2) the wellhead will have to have a port that allows a sounding tube access to the interior of the well to measure the water level. Environmental Health will ensure the property owners are contacted and have the chance to allow monitoring of their wells.

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact our Office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard LeWarne".

Richard LeWarne, R.E.H.S.
Assistant Director
Environmental Health Bureau

cc: Cheryl Sandoval, Supervisor, Drinking Water Protection Supervisor
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Sandy Ayala, Senior, Drinking Water Protection Services