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VIA – HAND DELIVERY

Mr. Jeffery W. Johnson
President, Board of Directors
Crescenta Valley Water District
2700 Foothill Boulevard
La Crescenta, CA 91214

Re: [REDACTED] La Canada Flintridge, California 91011.

Dear Mr. Johnson,

We are reaching out to you as the President of the Board of Directors of the Crescenta Valley Water District (“CVWD”). We hope that you can assist us with our concerns. We live at the above-referenced address, which is adjacent to the CVWD site on 4715 Ocean View Boulevard in La Canada (the “CVWD Site”). We are deeply concerned that the CVWD Site has become an active construction facility. Specifically, over the past several months, large heavy trucks have been coming in and out of the CVWD Site, the noise from the backup alarms of industrial vehicles and the noise from ongoing work has been frequent and persistent, and there are large piles of dirt on the site being brought in or taken out. The result of this activity has been an increase in traffic, an increase in significant noise levels that are disturbing, and an increase in airborne dust, all of which together is affecting our property and our health. Work often occurs early in the morning and sometimes late at night, and on weekends. As far as we can determine, there are no regular operating hours.

We have sought answers to our concerns without much clarity. In conversations with workers at the CVWD Site, we were told that the work is related to a new In-House Pipeline Program. From our perspective, the activity has intensified and has changed the use of the CVWD Site by the nature of the work being performed. As adjacent property owners, we don’t recall receiving any formal notices of the operating changes that would be taking place, and for how long those changes would last.

For us and many of our neighbors, the noise is disruptive inside our homes, making it difficult to work from home, rest, or enjoy the peaceful indoor and outdoor environments of our neighborhood. The backup alarms on industrial vehicles are designed to alert workers in an industrial zone, not to reverberate repeatedly and for extended periods

into adjacent and nearby homes in a residential area. The increase in in-bound and out-bound dirt being brought in has increased the airborne dust that is coming to our property and affecting the air quality. In addition, with respect to the soil that is being handled, we do not know where that soil is coming from and to what extent it might have contaminants. Clearly, the increase in dust can affect all of us, including families with young children, seniors, and those with asthma or other respiratory conditions. In addition, increased truck traffic on Ocean View Boulevard also poses a safety risk to all of us, as well as the pollution that those large trucks emit (emission, brake dust, tires etc.).

Since we have not received adequate answers to our questions and concerns, we recently made a public records request of the CVWD to see if we could get answers to our questions. We've received an initial answer acknowledging our request from Mr. Ryan Guiboa on October 6th (attached is Mr. Guiboa's letter) for reference. Our goal is to understand what is happening in our neighborhood as an adjacent neighbor and not to put undue burdens on CVWD. We seek those records relating to any CUP's, permits relating to work at the CVWD Site, any environmental review records, and any notices that have been provided to the community regarding the CVWD Site.

We would respectfully request your assistance in seeking answers to the following questions: (1) What are the normal operating hours for the CVWD Site?; (2) For how long will the increase activity at the CVWD Site last?; (3) What mitigation measures can CVWD undertake to mitigate the noise, dust and traffic?; (4) Where is the imported soil coming from and has it been tested for contaminants, including asbestos, lead, and mercury; and (5) Have noise levels been assessed at the CVWD Site?

Thank you for your time and consideration. We simply want our neighborhood to be like it was prior to the increased activity at the CVWD Site.

We look forward to your response. We can be reached at [REDACTED] We are willing to meet with anyone on your staff to discuss our concerns as we are part of the same community.

Sincerely,

Ailis and Michael Gavina

CC: Ryan Guiboa (Ryan.guiboa@bbklaw.com)