



MRS Environmental Inc.

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Cyrus Rangan, Director
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Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
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Re: Review of DPH letter to CIPA

Dear Dr. Rangan:

MRS Environmental has reviewed your April 26, 2018 letter to the California Independent Petroleum Association (CIPA) that provides a response to CIPA's comments on the Department of Public Health (DPH) Report on Public Health and Safety Risks of Oil and Gas Facilities in Los Angeles County. In that letter, DPH makes certain assertions that are of concern to MRS Environmental about the DPH Report and the potential for the public to be misled in regard to MRS's involvement in said report. In an attempt to clarify potential misconceptions that may emanate from your letter, MRS would like to make the record clear by stating that while we reviewed various early drafts of the DPH Report, at the request of the Department of Regional Planning, and provided hundreds of comments on the Report; our comments were in some cases accepted, in others partially accepted, and in many instances disregarded. MRS continues to believe that the DPH Report includes many inaccurate and misleading statements. MRS wants to make the record clear that MRS did not serve as a technical expert or preparer of the DPH Report. Furthermore, MRS does not endorse, support or agree with the DPH Report in its final form.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 805.289.3930. I can also be reached by email at luis.perez@mrsenv.com.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Luis F. Perez", with a stylized, cursive script.

Luis F. Perez
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