



CITY OF SIMI VALLEY

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March 28, 2007

Mr. John Watts, Counsel
U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein
331 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Watts:

As a follow up to our March 13, 2007 meeting in Washington D.C., and on behalf of the City Council, the City of Simi Valley is interested in any assistance that Senator Feinstein might be able to provide regarding the City's request of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) to conduct an independent review of data and reports related to the potential or actual presence of Strontium 90 in Runkle Canyon near the Santa Susana Field Lab (SSFL) and to advise whether development of the site poses a public health risk. While the City is aware that the USEPA has a very limited role in the SSFL clean-up, we believe as we discussed that our request is distinct from the clean-up effort because the area is not a part of the SSFL site itself; and, would therefore warrant USEPA's technical assistance as a separate issue of concern.

To date, the City Council has been facilitating discussions with a group of concerned residents and the State of California Department of Health Services (DHS) to provide an independent scientific and technical review of the data generated through the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the project. However, on behalf of our residents, we would also appreciate a similar independent review be conducted by the federal agency to further ensure the health and safety of our residents.

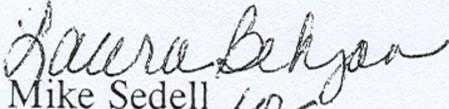
For your review and information, I have enclosed previous correspondence with USEPA staff, along with our most recent correspondence and questions developed by the concerned residents that was forwarded to DHS. The Senator's assistance, on behalf of our City, in encouraging an independent review by the USEPA is much appreciated.

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In that the project, if it is to proceed, has date-sensitive milestones that must be met, a timely response is requested. Should you have any further questions or need additional information in support of this request, please feel free to contact me at (805) 583-6701.

Sincerely,


Mike Sedell
City Manager

Enclosures

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