# SUNSHINE CANYON LANDFILL

June 16, 2015

Mr. David Thompson
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Subject: Brush Fire at Sunshine Canyon Landfill, June 13, 2015
SWFP 19-AA-2000

Dear Mr. Thompson,

This letter is provided as a follow-up to my email to you on Saturday, June 13, 2015 informing you of a small brush fire at Sunshine Canyon Landfill. The fire started at approximately 7:45 PM near the landfill's Flare 3 located on the western side of the facility. It was noticed at 7:53 PM and 911 was called. The Los Angeles County Fire Department was called and responded within a short period of time. Fire Department field crews as well as helicopters responded to the call. The fire was quickly extinguished; an area of less than ¾ acre was impacted. No structures were affected nor was Flare 3 impacted. There are no gas wells in this area and it is well out-side the limits of trash disposal.

A newspaper report in the Santa Clarita Valley News states the fire "may have started because of a methane burn off". This quote is attributed to a Fire Department Captain. An assessment of the area indicates the fire likely started due to a downed power line which sparked igniting the brush. Flare 3 was not operating at the time the fire started, and, in fact, has not been operating for two weeks.

Pictures of the affected area and the Flare 3 area are attached to this letter for your reference. The pictures show the areal extent of the affected brush as well as the downed power poles and lines. Please note there is no burned area near Flare 3.

Work to restore power to Flares 9 and 10 as well as to the gas-to-energy plant were completed by SCE personnel at approximately 11:30 PM on June 13th. Work to restore power to Flare 3 will begin on Tuesday, June 16th. It is expected power to Flare 3 will be restored within a few days.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Rob Sherman

Rob Sherman
General Manager
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Attachment

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Looking North – Flare 3 on Right

Looking East – Downed Power Pole

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