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Ms. Margaret Clark Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee Integrated Waste Management Task Force 900 South Fremont Ave. Alhambra, CA 91803

Dear Ms. Clark:

RE: LOS ANGELES COUNTY INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT TASK FORCE REQUEST FOR FINDING OF CONFORMANCE -- PROPOSED COMBINED CITY/COUNTY OPERATION OF THE SUNSHINE CANYON LANDFILL

The following points are in response to the Task Force letter addressed to the Mayor, dated August 4, 2008:

- On the issue of the Sunshine Canyon Project implementation, the Sunshine Canyon Landfill Local Enforcement Agency (SCL LEA) has reported that there have been no changes in the operation of the Sunshine Canyon Landfill to date. The new CIWMB issued permit allows the combined tonnage on either the City or the County portions or both. BFI is currently operating under the tonnage restrictions of its old City and County permits. The SCL LEA also reported that the Waste Board approved and issued the current permit on the basis that the previous Finding of Conformance documenting the use and location of the site are adequate for their permitting purposes.
- In response to the Task Force's question about transportation routes, the routes are well
 documented in the transportation sections of the Sunshine Canyon Landfill FEIR dated
 February 1993, FSEIR dated December 1999, and the FEIR/FSEIR addendum dated October
 2003. The City has no comments on the routes at this time.
- In regard to the planned end use question, the post-closure land use is to be passive recreational uses, which the City supports.
- The City's Zoning Ordinance No. 172,933, which was adopted in December 1999, clearly establishes a procedure for the Phasing Review process. The Task Force is requesting a copy of the City's formal approval which would allow for BFI to proceed to Phase II of the City Landfill. At this time, no such approval exists. The City's TAC certification has not taken place nor has BFI sent any documentation requesting the City's TAC to conduct such review.



Should you have other questions regarding this matter, please contact Larry Friedman at 213-978-1225 or Ly Lam at 213-978-1206.

Sincerely,

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