ATTACHMENT A TO STAFF REPORT

Spanish Flat Water District, 19 March 2006 Letter

SPANISH FLAT WATER DISTRICT

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March 19, 2006

Pamela C. Creedon, Executive Officer
California Regional Water Quality Control Board
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Re: WATER CODE SECTION 13267 ORDER FOR NON-SUBMITTAL OF REPORTS, SPANISH FLAT WATER DISTRICT, NAPA COUNTY
Memo dated 8 March 2006

Dear Ms Creedon:

We are in receipt of your order referenced above for non-submittal of reports. As you know, we did meet with your office and discussed the standing order for the installation of monitoring wells for our wastewater operation at the Spanish Flat water treatment facility. During this meeting we formally requested that the Spanish Flat Water District meet with the full board to appeal your office's decision to order the installation of monitoring wells.
We cited several reasons, including the negative economic impact that your order for wells would have on our users. Our users are mainly low income households. We also pointed out that the users connected to our waste facility do not generate anything but household type of discharges; that we do not find any instances of discharges that would warrant the need for monitoring wells. We pointed out that we were in the midst of a major project to install new water plants and that all of these issues were not taken into account when the order was written.

We also believe, that a liner for our pond would be a much better approach to protect against the possibility of future problems, if they arise. We also mentioned that we are against the penetration of a ground water aquifer unless there are known breaches in the discharge from our wastewater treatment plant. This just makes common sense.

Your office during our meeting, indicated that you would not be able to arrange for us to meet the board that June, but August was a possibility. We have been waiting since that meeting to hear which Board meeting we would be scheduled for to present our arguments against installing monitoring wells. We did however agree to provide the more stringent reporting and have met this new requirement. The past few months of reports were inadvertently delayed, but that problem has since been corrected.

Please advise when we can meet with the Board next, so we can engage our expert consultant to assist us in the presentation. In the interim, please either defer or cancel the standing order referenced.

If you need to contact the Water District, we have assigned Mr. Wesley Plunkett, Director to coordinate this effort. He can be reached at (707) 479-5763. Mr. Colon's term expires this year and we would like to have continuity in dealing with your office. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Paul Roussopoulos
President

cc: Monticello Public Cemetery District, c/o Martha Burdick
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