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Mr. Charles R. Hoppin, Chair
c/o Jeanine Townsend, Clerk of the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
P.O. Box 1000
Sacramento, CA 95812

VIA email at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov

RE: Comment Letter – Malibu Septic Prohibition

Dear Mr. Hoppin:

It is our understanding the State Water Resources Control Board (“State Board”) is accepting public comments on the “proposed approval of an amendment to the water quality control plan for the Los Angeles region to prohibit on-site wastewater disposal systems in the Malibu Civic Center area”.

As a general partner for the Malibu Country Mart, Ltd., a commercial property in the Civic Center area of Malibu, I am writing today to express our concerns regarding the resolution that the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (“Regional Board”) adopted on November 5, 2009, to prohibit discharges from existing and new septic systems in Malibu’s Civic Center area.

I am also writing to express our support for the City of Malibu’s Community-Based Wastewater Treatment Solution because it is a more targeted, technically feasible and politically achievable plan.

The proposed plan has new measurable and enforceable milestones. The Community-Based Wastewater Treatment Solution might be quicker to implement, avoiding legal and political battles that have stalled similar projects in other cities.

As a long time commercial property owner in Malibu, I believe that the City of Malibu plans to move forward to protect public health and improve ocean water quality. For these reasons, I encourage you to work collaboratively with the City of Malibu to adopt the Community-Based Wastewater Treatment Solution.

Sincerely,

Michael Koss – General Partner
Malibu Country Mart, Ltd.

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