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Chairman Burke Board of Directors South Coast Air Quality Management District 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Subject: Request for Public Meeting to Discuss Results of Air Sampling

Dear Chairman Burke and Members of the Board:

Thank you for your ongoing efforts to address the public nuisance and concerns over potentially harmful emissions from the All American Asphalt plant, located at 10671 Jeffrey Blvd. in Irvine. We appreciate the open meeting that AQMD conducted on December 9, at which staff and elected leaders were able to hear directly from Irvine residents impacted by the plant. We also recognize and appreciate the ongoing air sampling work being conducted by AQMD in the north Irvine area.

As we have shared previously with AQMD board members and staff, the City has initiated independent efforts to help identify potential risks due to plant emissions and protect public health. These efforts include air sampling at the plant site and within the nearby community as well as an audit of the plant to ensure the facility is built and operating consistent with all appropriate permits. The City has established a website at www.cityofirvine.org/community-development/all-american-asphalt-update to share information with the public regarding the efforts related to the All American Asphalt plant, including the results of the air sampling and audit as soon as they are available.

As these efforts move forward, we believe it is important to maintain the open dialogue that AQMD established with its meeting of December 9, and for AQMD to share the results of its air sampling efforts. At the December 9 meeting, AQMD staff committed to a subsequent public forum and the AQMD sampling data is crucial for the public to understand any potential risks to the community. The City would be interested in discussing the results of its testing at such a meeting as well to further a robust discussion and evaluation of potential health risks. To that end, the City has reached out multiple times to the resident group and UCI faculty engaged in the effort, requesting that they also release the air sampling data that they have collected.

Thank you again for your efforts in addressing this public nuisance and potential health risk in Irvine. Please let us know when AQMD can hold a public meeting to review its air sampling data and continue a healthy public dialogue.

Sincerely,

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cc: Irvine City Council Marianna Marysheva, Interim City Manager Pete Carmichael, Director of Community Development