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Alameda Municipal Power Solar Project – Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)

Dear Henry Dong:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the Alameda Municipal Power Solar Project. We are committed to ensuring that impacts to the State's multimodal transportation system and to our natural environment are identified and mitigated to support a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system. The following comments are based on our review of the September 2020 MND.

Project Understanding

Alameda Municipal Power proposes to construct and operate a photovoltaic solar facility on the approximately 33.2-acre Doolittle Class III landfill site. The solar panels would be placed on 11.2 acres of the site which is bounded to the north by San Leandro Bay, to the south and west by State Route (SR)-61/Doolittle Drive, and to the east by Martin Luther King Jr. Regional Shoreline Park.

Hydraulics

We reiterate our previous comment, communicated on March 6, 2020. From the existing plan, there is a 42-inch diameter reinforced concrete pipe (RCP) that runs across the center of the proposed project and is approximately 620 feet in length. Please identify the pipe in the plan or provide written confirmation that it

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will not be impacted during construction or conflict with footings/ piles of any solar panels.

Thank you again for including Caltrans in the environmental review process. Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Laurel Sears at laurel.sears@dot.ca.gov. Additionally, for future notifications and requests for review of new projects, please contact LDIGR-D4@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark Leong". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal tail on the "g".

Mark Leong
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cc: State Clearinghouse