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To Whom It May Concern,

This is a follow-up email to Caltrans letter dated September 13, 2023, after we received additional traffic data (via email from DUDEK, a traffic consultant) at I-210 Off-Ramps and Huntington Drive. The traffic data shows that there are 5/5 AM/PM peak hour trips at EB I-210 Off-Ramp to Huntington Drive and 7/12 AM/PM peak hour trips at WB I-210 Off-Ramp to Huntington Drive. No queuing analysis is necessary at this time. However, if the City is pro-development in this area with cumulative projects in the future, many trips will be utilizing the State off-ramps, and queuing analysis may be necessary to disclose the potential safety impact on the State facilities.

Again as a reminder from the letter "To protect the public's best interest, we only concur the residential component of the Project would not be screened out from VMT analysis using the Project Type Screening. Otherwise, almost all development within the City would be screened out from this approach because the City's average VMT is already 15.53 which is larger than Project TAZ of 11.1, from the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCG) screening tool. Only disclosing the Project VMT would then compare with the City's VMT threshold of 13.2 to determine if the project would cause any significant traffic impact. We highly recommend the City prepare the necessary VMT for this development for Caltrans' review. The project site is located within a low VMT area as cited in the DEIR as VMT analysis is screened out. As such, a VMT analysis is not required and impacts to VMT would be less than significant. To validate this statement and for the City's consideration, we highly recommend the City prepare a post-development VMT analysis with all necessary mitigation measures. Mitigation measures should be implemented when the post-development VMT analysis discloses any traffic significant impact."

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project!

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