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VIA EMAIL

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Dear Ms. Wong:

**SCHOOL UPGRADE PROGRAM
DRAFT SUBSEQUENT PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (DRAFT SPEIR)
LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCH: NO. 2023010013**

The Department of Conservation's Geologic Energy Management Division (Division) has reviewed the above-referenced project for impacts with Division jurisdictional authority. The Division supervises the drilling, maintenance, and plugging and abandonment of oil, gas, and geothermal wells in California. The Division offers the following comments for your consideration.

Potential project areas are in Los Angeles County. Based on Figure 5.12-1 in the Draft SPEIR, multiple potential project areas lie within or near various Los Angeles basin oil fields that may have active, idle, and abandoned oil and gas wells and other oil field infrastructure that may affect proposed projects. Division information can be found at: www.conservation.ca.gov. Individual well records are also available on the Division's web site, or by emailing CalGEMSouthern@conservation.ca.gov.

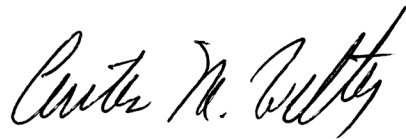
The scope and content of information that is germane to the Division's responsibility are contained in Section 3000 et seq. of the Public Resources Code, and administrative regulations under Title 14, Division 2, Chapters 2, 3 and 4 of the California Code of Regulations.

If any wells, including any plugged, abandoned or unrecorded wells, are damaged or uncovered during excavation or grading, remedial plugging operations may be required. If such damage or discovery occurs, the Division's district office must be contacted to obtain information on the requirements and approval to perform remedial operations.

The possibility for future problems from oil and gas wells that have been plugged and abandoned, or reabandoned, to the Division's current specifications are remote. However, the Division recommends that a diligent effort be made to avoid building over any plugged and abandoned well.

Questions regarding the Division's Construction Site Well Review Program can be addressed to the local Division's office in Long Beach by emailing CalGEMSouthern@conservation.ca.gov or by calling (562) 637-4400.

Sincerely,



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