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VIA EMAIL

Ms. Colleen Doan, Community Development Director
City of Signal Hill
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Dear Ms. Doan:

**SIGNAL HILL PETROLEUM CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 97-03 EXTENSION PROJECT
NOTICE OF COMPLETION
DRAFT EIR
CITY OF SIGNAL HILL
SCH: NO. 2023010217**

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

The project area is in Los Angeles County and lies within the Long Beach oil field. As stated in the EIR, "The City permitted seven oil and gas drill sites located within the City of Signal Hill under CUP [Conditional Use Permit] 97-03 since 1998 (CUP sites) and is considering adoption of a 20-year extension of the CUP (Project)." Also, "The Project would not change the footprint of the drill sites, or the levels of activity associated with operating and maintaining the equipment at the drill sites." The Southern District finds the EIR to be adequate to use for its statutory responsibilities in connection with the proposed project.

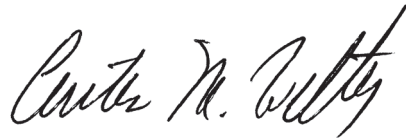
Division information can be found at: www.conservation.ca.gov. Individual well records are also available on the Division's web site, or by emailing CalGEMSouthern@conservation.ca.gov.

If any wells, including any plugged, abandoned or unrecorded wells, are damaged or uncovered during project activities, 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 Southern District's office in Long Beach by emailing CalGEMSouthern@conservation.ca.gov or by calling (562) 637-4400.

Sincerely,



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