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Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Barbara
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Re: Santa Barbara Ranch – June 23, 2009 Board Agenda – Item 10



Dear Chair Centeno and Members of the Board:

We represent the Santa Barbara Ranch related interests, which are the project applicants. Our clients support the Recommended Actions in the Board Letter for this item. Further, they agree with the conclusion on page 2 of the Board Letter “that the Inland and Coastal portions of the Project are not linked by either the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding or the project findings and conditions.”

Although our clients continue to maintain that the Memorandum of Understanding has terminated, they will fund, on a voluntary basis, the County’s continued processing of the project approvals to the Coastal Commission. In so doing our clients are not waiving their claims that the MOU has terminated, nor any of the claims set forth in their lawsuit against the County with respect to the Brown Act. Our clients also reserve the right to withdraw some or all of the approvals that the County forwards to the Coastal Commission for consideration.

Our clients request that your Board approve the Recommended Actions .

Very truly yours,

Stanley W. Lamport

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cc: Mr. Matthew K. Osgood

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