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September 15, 2015

County of Santa Barbara
Board of Supervisors
105 East Anapamu
County Administration Building
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

RE: emPower Program

Dear County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors:

emPower has had a tremendous impact on the success of Halsell Builders.

During the last few years of the recession, emPower brought more than \$1 Million Dollars worth of energy upgrade work to our company. We have tried to be the best partner possible, working through Program improvements, problems, and successes.

Halsell Builders has made a large, personal investment in the Program, as we have worked with staff to create the best system possible that has now been rolled out to the tri-county area. The System now affects a much larger pool of contractors and homeowners than was ever possible in the first few years of emPower's existence.

Each one of us at Halsell Builders is appreciative of the county's use of PUC Funding, especially in the wake of the tri-county expansion.

We are looking forward to a continued investment in the community and to building the most energy efficiency possible to existing housing in our state.

Sincerely,

Joseph R. Halsell
President/ CEO

