

**VISTA PACIFICA TOWNHOMES**  
**3601 Vista Pacifica, No. 9**  
**Malibu, California 90265**

June 30, 2011

Dr. Eric Wu, Chief of Groundwater Permitting Unit  
**California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region**  
320 West 4th Street, Suite 200  
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Re: **MOU between City of Malibu and the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region and the State Water Resources Control Board**

Dear Dr. Wu:

As President of the Homeowners Association of Vista Pacifica Townhomes, a 17 unit complex that is in Phase II of Malibu City's proposed Civic Center Waste Water Treatment Plan, my Board of Directors and I wish to express our strong and unequivocal support for the City's Tentative Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Regional and State Boards.

Along with three other condo/townhome complexes, whereby together we comprise 191 units, our townhome complex has been connected to the county operated waste water treatment plant at Vista Pacifica & Civic Center Way for over thirty years, which we believe has helped mitigate contamination of groundwater and Malibu Lagoon. Our townhome owners paid for the operational costs of the plant and for the plant's expansion and upgrade in the early 2000's. However, we expect that the life-span of the plant will be coming to end by sometime after 2020, so it would make sense for us to tie-in into a new, state-of-the art wastewater treatment plant in Phase II as proposed by the tentative MOU.

Indeed, one of the strengths of the MOU is that the proposed treatment facility meets the goal of reducing bacteria and nitrogen concentrations, yet provides flexibility in the ways in which the City and property owners can achieve those goals. Thus, residential owners who are in Phase II, as in the case of Serra Retreat, Malibu Colony and the four condo/townhome complexes, have the flexibility of opting into Phase I if they so choose.

The City's proposed amended plan for the Civic Center Area Prohibition has come about in large part because of the participation of commercial and residential property owners who have gathered in monthly "Stakeholders" meetings chaired by the City Manager, Jim

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Thorsen. The Plan therefore has local grass roots support and our HOA hopes that the Regional and State Boards will recognize the critical importance of the support in expediting the swift implementation of the wastewater treatment plan for Malibu.

Sincerely,

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