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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board Chairs
Department Directors
Executive Officers

FROM: Alan C. Lloyd, Ph.D. 
Agency Secretary

DATE: August 29, 2005

SUBJECT: CAL/EPA'S BROWNFIELDS OMBUDSPERSON

I am pleased to announce Rick Brausch as the Cal/EPA Brownfields Ombudsperson. Assembly Bill 389 (Chapter 705, Statutes of 2004) called for Cal/EPA to identify a Brownfields Ombudsperson to fulfill a variety of functions on behalf of our agency, including coordinating Cal/EPA's various brownfields efforts, representing Cal/EPA on task forces and committees, investigating and resolving complaints related to our brownfields programs, and ensuring that environmental justice is considered in our brownfields decisions.

As I'm sure you are all aware, Rick has long been involved in coordinating Cal/EPA's brownfields efforts, working closely with you and your staff to develop our Brownfields Implementation Plan, as well as negotiating and implementing the Brownfields Memorandum of Agreement. Identifying him as our Brownfields Ombudsperson is simply a recognition of the leadership he has demonstrated and the vital role he has and continues to play in helping all of us accomplish the Governor's goals of quickly addressing brownfield sites and returning them to productive economic use.

Please join me in congratulating Rick on this recognition. I appreciate the cooperation and support you have provided him thus far, and ask for your continued cooperation in his coordinating Cal/EPA's efforts towards accomplishing the Governor's goals.

cc: Cal/EPA Senior Staff