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Re:

IGR/CEQA No.010133 NY

Los Angeles Sports and Entertainment District

Vic. LA/10/14.84, LA/110/21.44

SCH# 2000091046

Dear Mr. Sholebo:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the proposed Los Angeles Sports and Entertainment District in the vicinity of Staples Center, City of Los Angeles.

In the spirit of mutual cooperation through build-out of this project and following our review of the Draft Environmental Impact Report we provide the following comments:

Interstate 10 and the 110 Freeway mainlines and ramps in this area are operating at or near capacity for most of the day. To enable us to more precisely determine the impacts of this project, further study is needed. Please provide a capacity analysis of the AM peak-hour, the PM peak-hour, and daily total traffic for existing and build-out. These needs to include:

- I-10 freeway mainline
- Eastbound I-10 Hoover Street off-ramp
- Westbound I-10 Los Angeles Street off-ramp
- I-110 freeway mainline
- Northbound I-110 Adams Boulevard off-ramp
- Northbound I-110 Pico Boulevard/Cherry Street off-ramp
- Northbound I-110 9th Street off-ramp

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This analysis needs to provide project traffic, cumulative traffic (generated for all approved developments in the area), demand and Level of Service (LOS) at referenced freeway mainline and ramp gore points on the State Highway indicating employees, patrons, existing + project + other projects existing and future for AM, PM and Daily Total.

If you have any question regarding this response, please call me at (213) 897-4429 and refer to IGR/CEQA No. 010133NY.

Sincerely,

Stephen J. Buswell Program Manager

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cc: Mr. Scott Morgan, State Clearinghouse