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Lateef Sholebo, Project Coordinator 221 North Figueora Street, Room 1500 Los Angeles, CA 90012

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES SPORT AND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT

Dear Mr. Sholebo:

On January 29, 2001 the Los Angeles Unfired School District submitted comments on the draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Los Angeles Sport and Entertainment District. Attached are additional comments on the project's potential noise impact on Tenth Street Elementary School.

The following measure should be adopted to address noise and vibration from construction hauling and delivery, unless the EIR can demonstrate that off-site construction activities will not have an impact on Tenth Street School:

Construction vehicles shall be prohibited from passing Tenth Street School during school hours.

Please call me at (213) 743-5086, ext. 555 if I can provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

Joan Friedman

Environmental Planning Specialist

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Attachment

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Los Angeles Unified School District

TO:

Joan Friedman, Environmental Planning Specialist

Date: February 14, 2001

FROM:

Robert Manford, Environmental Planning Specialist

SUBJECT:

NOISE IMPACTS REVIEW OF THE LA SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT EIR

Thank you for the opportunity to review the noise section of the above mentioned EIR. The Draft EIR acknowledges the 10th Street Elementary School as a noise-sensitive receptor, and adequately analyzes the project's impact on the school, in terms of project operation and on-site construction activity.

However the Draft IER does not adequately analyze the off-site construction noise impacts on the 10th Street Elementary School, which is identified in the EIR as being located at the northwest corner of Valencia Street and Olympic Boulevard. Given the fact that the school is located in close proximity to roadways that provide local access to the project site, the Draft EIR must analyze the noise impacts of off-site construction activities such as delivery and hauling of construction materials and supplies to and from the project site. It is common knowledge that noise from on-site construction equipment and other stationary activities can be reduced with standard factory silencing features and other noise reducing devices, but noise and vibration from construction hauling/delivery trucks cannot be fitted with these features at all times.

The EIR should demonstrate its claim on page 344 that construction activities associated with the proposed project would result in less than significant impact to the 10th Street Elementary School. At the very least, the EIR should identify the haul route, and the route for construction delivery trucks/vehicles, as well as the times for delivery/hauling etc., with a diagram to substantiate this claim. The LAUSD appreciates the inclusion of Mitigation Measure No.2 on page 356 of the Draft EIR. However, to the extent that the EIR is unable to show that off-site construction activity would not result in noise impacts to the 10th Street Elementary School, additional mitigation would be required in accordance with Section 15126.4 et. seq. of the CEOA Guidelines.

Should you have any questions regarding the above review, please do not hesitate to contact me.

ce: David Jenson