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Memorandum

To: Patrick M. McCormick, Executive Officer, LAFCO

From: Andrew Strader, R.E.H.S.

Re: Service of the Domestic Water Needs of CEMEX Cement Plant by the Davenport Community Service District

Date: August 24, 2005

The Santa Cruz County Environmental Health Service is in support for the approval of Davenport Community Service District (CSD) to provide potable water to Cemex, Inc. (Cemex). Both the CSD and Cemex are permitted Small Public Water Systems regulated by his office. Both water systems are currently in violation of State of California Surface Water Treatment Regulations and must make improvements to their water treatment processes in order to provide a safe and reliable water service to the community of Davenport and Cemex employees.

Consolidation of both water systems is beneficial for the following reasons:

1. Eliminate the needs for both systems to install, operate and maintain their own individual surface water treatment plants at great expense.
2. Allow the CSD to obtain a low interest loan from the State Revolving Fund to make the necessary improvements to the treatment plant. It is my understanding that funding of this loan is dependent upon consolidation due to the need to justify repayment of the loan.
3. Alleviate the need for this office to issue permits for two water systems and provide the necessary oversight.

If you need further clarification or have any questions please contact me at (831) 454-2741 or send e-mail to andrew.strader@co.santa-cruz.ca.us