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December 13, 2017

Ms. Patricia Wagner
Chief Executive Officer
Southern California Gas Company
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Dear Ms. Wagner:¹

On December 6, the Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council (PRNC) sent you a letter of concern regarding the intentional gas release from the Aliso Canyon facility during the evening of December 1. In the letter, we posed specific questions about the release and about your company's operational protocols at the facility.

Yet, you could not take the time or make the effort to respond to our questions. Instead, you simply resorted to the standard approach of having the company's public affairs manager send a reply letter –and a condescending one at best– on your behalf; a letter that provided absolutely no useful information and made no attempt to address our concerns.

It is clear to us that SoCalGas and its management have no interest in the welfare of our community and that of the thousands of people who call it home. Our only hope is that our City, County, and State agencies that empower you will finally see the error of your ways and act on it.

Respectfully,
Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council

Issam Najm, Ph.D., P.E.
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cc: Mr. Kevin De León, President Pro Tempore, California State Senate
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¹ This letter represents the opinion of the PRNC, and not necessarily that of the City of Los Angeles.



December 8, 2017

Issam Najm
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Dear Dr. Najm—

Thank you for your letter to Patti Wagner, dated December 6, 2017. I am responding on her behalf.

The health and safety of the communities we serve are of the highest priority to SoCalGas.

To be clear: methane observed on the fence-line monitors on December 2 did not present a health or safety risk to the community. Nevertheless, we followed the protocol established with the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) and notified the community about the reading.

As part of our commitment to improve communications with the members of the community, SoCalGas proactively launched an interactive, online tool that allows members of the public to view data from the network of methane monitors that have been installed at the company's Aliso Canyon natural gas storage facility.

We regularly provide timely online reports to provide the community with information about the readings. In addition, we've established a protocol, approved by SCAQMD, to notify residents when readings at one or more of the monitors exceed 10 parts per million (ppm) for 20 minutes.

We believe the community notification system is one of the best ways to keep the community informed of planned and unplanned activities at Aliso Canyon. Since the system was launched, we have used it consistently—including December 2—to keep the public informed of events at the field, including many times when public reporting was not required.

We appreciate your assistance in encouraging community members to sign up for the notification system so that we can reach as many residents as possible when necessary. To sign up for notifications, please refer residents and interested stakeholders to www.socalgas.com/AlisoUpdates.

We will continue to keep the community informed and remain committed to a positive, constructive dialogue.

Regards,
David Meza
Public Affairs Manager, San Fernando Valley

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