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City of Pomona City Planning Department 505 S. Garey Avenue Pomona, CA 91766

RE:

Pomona Valley Transfer Station; Revised Draft Environment Impact Report; State Clearinghouse No. 2009051126

To Whom It May Concern:

Los Angeles County Firefighters Local 1014 the organization representing Pomona's firefighters and paramedics asks Pomona City Council members and Planning Commissioners to approve the Revised Draft Environmental Impact Report ("DEIR" or "EIR") prepared for the Pomona Valley Transfer Station project ("Project").

Local 1014 enthusiastically supports the Project because it will create scores of living wage job opportunities for Pomona residents and generate at least \$1 million every year into the city's General Fund - money that could be used to keep all eight Pomona Fire Stations operating at full capacity and restore student programs in Pomona schools.

At a time when job creation and increased city revenues are desperately needed in Pomona, it is imperative that the City support and approve this Project.

I applaud the City for conservatively re-circulating a revised EIR in light of the previous comments received by interested parties even though it is not required by law.

The DEIR is also comprehensive. It fully disclosed to the public all of the reasonably foreseeable impacts of the Project and also imposes reasonable mitigation.

Just as important, a Court has ruled that the Project site is 'environmentallysuperior" to any other in town. The Project has been zoned to allow the proposed use for several decades and it is ideally located in the vicinity of other similar uses.

For these reasons, I hope that the City's Planning Commission and City Council will approve the EIR and the Project.

President, Los Angeles County Fire Fighters Local 1014 Representing all Pomona City Firefighters and Paramedics