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SSFL – CEQA Comment  
Barbara Lee, Director  
California Department of Toxic Substances Control  
8800 Cal Center Dr.  
Sacramento, CA 95826

Re: Santa Susana Field Laboratory Cleanup -- Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR)  
Comment Letter

Dear Director Lee:

As a Los Angeles County Supervisor representing a portion of the affected communities adjacent to the Santa Susana Field Laboratory (SSFL), I am writing in support of the full cleanup of contamination at the site. When I was serving as the State Senator serving the impacted communities, I authored Senate Bill 990 which would have required an extensive, full cleanup at the location.

Although the facilities have been inactive for several years, radioactive and chemical contaminants have remained and are present in the soil, air, and water, and have impacted constituents over several decades. The health risks to residents would undoubtedly continue if a complete clean-up of the site is not undertaken.

In 2010, through Administrative Orders on Consent, DTSC committed to a cleanup to background levels for the Department of Energy and NASA portions of SSFL. I am therefore concerned that the Draft PEIR contemplates actions that fall considerably short of those commitments, leaving in place significant amounts of contamination. I urge that the Draft PEIR be revised so that it is fully compliant with the 2010 cleanup commitments.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact me or Timothy Lippman of my staff.

Sincerely,

Sheila Kuehl  
Supervisor, Third District  
Chair of the Board