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Srimal,

We are submitting to you the following comments to the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the 8150 Sunset Boulevard Mixed-Use Project. These comments reflect our review of the Water Supply chapter only for matters related to water resources for the project; you may receive additional comments from other divisions at LADWP separately to other respective areas in the DEIR such as water infrastructure capacity, etc.

The first two sentences of the last paragraph of p. 4.K.1-17 of the DEIR, see below, appears to imply that the net increase in project water demand expressed as 0.008% percent is within the total 30% increase in total City water demand through 2035 and is a basis for determining that the additional demand is accounted for in LADWP's 2010 UWMP.

Excerpt from DEIR, p. 4.K.1-17:

"The 54.0 AF per year net increase in water demand generated by the Project would constitute approximately 0.008 percent of the City's total increase in water demand through 2035. The proposed Project would fall within the available and projected water supplies of LADWP's 2010 UWMP."

However, the methodology for determining whether the project's demand is included in supply projections is not related to that percentage. Instead, it is based on demographic projections included in the Regional Transportation Plan by the Southern California Association of Governments, and by extension, consistency with the City's General Plan. Therefore, additional clarification should be provided as follows:

Replace above Excerpt from DEIR, p. 4.K.1-17 with the following:

The 54.0 AF per year net increase in water demand generated by the Project would constitute approximately 0.008 percent of the City's total increase in water demand through 2035. Proposed Project conforms with the use and intensity of development permitted by the City's General Plan. Consistency with the demographic projection for the City from the 2012 RTP is required for Proposed Project. City's water demand projection in the 2010 UWMP was developed based on the 2008 Regional

Transportation Plan (RTP) demographic projection by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) using the 2000 U.S. Census for the City. The 2012 RTP demographic projection for the City was based on the 2010 U.S. Census, and is lower than the 2008 RTP demographic projection. The region's economic growth is usually a major factor behind net migration and the consequent population growth. The economic recession of 2007-2009 had a negative impact on the region's population growth, resulting in decrease in population growth from 2000 Census to 2010 Census. Our preliminary analysis shows that the City water demand projection to year 2035 based on demographic projection from 2012 RTP using population, housing and employment, as well as water conservation, and weather will be lower than the City's water demand projection in the 2010 UWMP. As a result, City's water supply projections in the 2010 UWMP are sufficient to meet the City's water demand projections based on the 2012 RTP.

Thanks,

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