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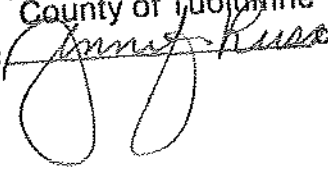
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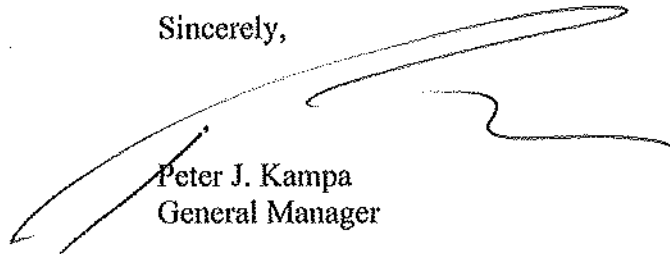
Dear Judge DuTemple:

In our August 9, 2012 response to the 2011-12 Grand Jury Report, a statement was made regarding Recommendation R-1. The Tuolumne Utilities District engineering staff interpreted the recommendation to apply only to the pressurized section of the Twain Harte Interceptor, however, upon further review; we believe the recommendation of the Grand Jury was to limit all future connections to the Twain Harte Interceptor pipeline to cases of extreme hardship. In our response, Staff cited a section of our Wastewater Ordinance which only applies to connections in pressurized sections of the interceptor. The ordinance does not restrict new connections in gravity-flow sections.

The Grand Jury Report correctly states that such connections introduce solids into the interceptor, which was designed to transport treated effluent only. As discussed at the District's board meeting (Appendix EH-2), due to the velocity of the flow in the interceptor, the solids accumulation has not been significant to date and therefore does not increase the risk of interceptor failure.

Please don't hesitate to contact us should you need further clarification.

Sincerely,


Peter J. Kampa
General Manager