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COMPLAINT FOR CIVIL PENALTIES AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF.

Plaintiff Environmental Law Foundation (hereinafter "Plaintiff" or "ELF") brings this action on its own behalf and in the public interest, and hereby alleges as follows:

#### INTRODUCTION

- In California, water is our most precious natural resource. Unfortunately, 1. Defendants are contaminating or are threatening to contaminate protected sources of drinking water with chemicals that are known to cause cancer and birth defects. These actions violate California's Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act ("Proposition 65"). Health and Safety Code § 25249.5, et. seq.
- Defendants operate Southern California Gas Company's underground natural gas storage facility ("facility"), which is located in the Playa del Rey region of Los Angeles. See Exhibit 1. The natural gas is stored in a partially depleted oilfield that is located approximately 6,000 feet below ground level. Therein, the stored natural gas mixes with the remaining crude oil from the oilfield and the gas becomes enriched with Benzene, Toluene and Ethylbenzene ("BTEX"), chemicals known by the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects.

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4. Defendants have not only failed to prevent their gas from leaking from the reservoir to the surface, they have been unable to prevent the gas from migrating laterally underground to reach additional Wells. The conditional use permit that authorizes this facility expressly requires that the company confine the gas to a section of the underground reservoir that measures approximately 240 acres. See Exhibit 2. However, the company stores the gas under extremely high pressure and, consequently, the gas has migrated laterally far beyond the 240 acre footprint to an area that measures roughly 2,000 acres. See Exhibit 3. In fact, natural gas has migrated to many Wells that are located beyond the 240 acre footprint identified in its permit, including most if not all of the Wells at issue in this action. See Exhibit 4.

<sup>3.</sup> The underground reservoir is connected to the surface by over 200 wells<sup>1</sup>. This action concerns twelve of those Wells, located in Playa del Rey and Marina del Rey areas in Los Angeles.<sup>2</sup> The Wells were drilled in the 1920's and 1930's and extend the 6,000 feet from the reservoir to the surface level. In their path, they intersect the Ballona, Silverado and Gage Aquifors<sup>3</sup>, which are protected sources of drinking water under the Los Angeles Region's Water Quality Control Plan or "Basin Plan". As these 70 year old Wells deteriorate, they develop cracks and leaks and BTEX is released from the Wells. The BTEX then migrates upward to the surface, contaminating or threatening to contaminate the aquifers.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For the purposes of this complaint, "Wells" is defined as all types of wells that are owned by or are under the responsibility of the Defendants, including those that were used to extract oil, dry wells, wells that are or have been used for the facility's natural gas operations (i.e., injection, extraction and monitoring), and all well-associated equipment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The specific Wells that are subject to this complaint are Wells 13-1, 23-1, 29-1, 29-2, Champ 1, Hisey 1, Joyce 1, Lor Mar 1, Merrill 1, O&M 1, Samarkand 1 and Troxel 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Wells 13-1, 23-1, 29-1, 29-2, Champ 1, Hisey 1, Joyce 1, Lor Mar 1, Merrill 1, O&M 1 and Samarkand 1 intersect the Silverado and Gage Aquifers. Well Troxel 1 intersects the Silverado and Ballona Aquifers.

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- 5. In failing to adequately contain their underground storage of natural gas, Defendants have caused the discharge or release of BTEX from their Wells and, consequently, have contaminated or threaten to contaminate the Ballona, Silverado and Gage Aquifers protected sources of drinking water with chemicals known to cause cancer and birth defects. See Exhibit 5. These activities are in violation of Health and Safety Code § 25249.5, et. seq. Each release from each Well is a violation of Health and Safety Code § 25249.5. The penalty for these violations is up to \$2,500 per violation per day. Health and Safety Code § 25249.7(b)(1).
- 6. This action seeks civil penalties and injunctive and declaratory relief to redress Defendants' knowing discharge or release of chemicals that cause cancer or birth defects into land or water where such chemicals pass or probably will pass into a source of drinking water, in violation of Health and Safety Code § 25249.5, et. seq.

#### PARTIES

#### A. THE PLAINTIFF

7. Plaintiff ENVIRONMENTAL LAW FOUNDATION ("ELF") is a California nonprofit organization founded on Earth Day in 1991. ELF has a longstanding interest in reducing health hazards to the public posed by exposure to toxic chemicals, and particularly to protect those with the least choice and greatest vulnerability to toxic risks: children and inner-city dwellers. ELF is dedicated to the preservation and enhancement of human health and the environment. ELF brings this action in the public interest, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code § 25249.7(d). Plaintiff does not allege, nor has it suffered, an "injury" cognizable under Article III of the United States Constitution.

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8. Defendant SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY ("SoCalGas") is a California corporation with its principal place of business in San Diego, California. SoCalGas provides natural gas and electricity to California customers from the Central Valley to the Mexican border. SoCalGas is the nation's largest natural gas distribution utility, serving 19.8 million consumers in more than 500 communities in Central and Southern California. SoCalGas owns and operates four underground storage facilities in Southern California. This action concerns the Playa Del Rey Storage Facility located at 8141 Gutana Ave., Playa Del Rey, California 90293.

- 9. Defendant SEMPRA ENERGY ("Sempra") is a California corporation with its principal place of business in San Diego, California. Sempra is an energy services holding company that was created in 1998 by a merger of Los Angeles-based Pacific Enterprises, the parent company of SoCalGas and Enova Corporation, the parent company of San Diego Gas & Electric. Sempra, a member of the S&P 500, serves the largest customer base of any energy utility in the United States. It sells natural gas and provides electricity and related products and services to more than twenty-nine (29) million consumers in the United States, Europe, Canada, Mexico, South America and Asia.
- 10. Defendant PACIFIC ENTERPRISES ("PacEnt") is a California corporation with its principal place of business in San Diego, California. PacEnt, once a predecessor of Sempra, was founded in 1886 as Pacific Lighting. It purchased several small gas manufacturing and distribution companies in California, which ultimately became SoCalGas. In 1941, PacEnt introduced a new system for storing natural gas in large holding tanks underground storage.
- 11. The true names and capacities of Defendants sued herein under California Code of Civil Procedure § 474 as DOE Defendants 1 through 100, inclusive, are presently unknown to Plaintiff, who therefore sues these Defendants by such fictitious names. Each of the fictitiously named Defendants is responsible in some manner for the

conduct alleged herein and for the injuries suffered by the general public. Plaintiff with seek to amend this Complaint and include these Doe Defendants' true names and capacities when they are ascertained, and after they have been properly given notice under Proposition 65.

- 12. Each named Defendant and DOE Defendants 1 through 100 (collectively "Defendants") herein has employed ten (10) or more persons at all times relevant to this action, and thus each is a "person in the course of doing business" within the meaning of the Act. Health and Safety Code § 25249.11.
- 13. When, in this Complaint, reference is made to any act of the Defendants, such shall be deemed to mean that the officers, directors, agents, employees, or representatives of the Defendants committed or authorized such acts, or failed and omitted to adequately supervise or properly control or direct their employees while engaged in the management, direction, operation or control of the affairs of the Defendants, and did so while acting within the scope of their employment or agency.
- 14. When, in this Complaint, reference is made to any act by a Defendant or Defendants, such allegations and reference shall also be deemed to mean the acts and failures of each Defendant acting individually, jointly and severally.

#### JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 15. This Court has jurisdiction over all causes of action asserted herein pursuant to California Constitution, Article VI, Section 10, because this case is a cause not given by statute to other trial courts. This Court also has jurisdiction over this action pursuant to Health & Safety Code § 25249.7, which allows enforcement of violations of Proposition 65 in any Court of competent jurisdiction.
- 16. This Court has jurisdiction over Defendants named herein because they are California corporations, corporations authorized to do business in California and registered with the California Secretary of State, do sufficient business with sufficient

minimum contacts in California, or otherwise intentionally avail themselves of the California market through the processing, sale and distribution of natural gas and electricity in California, to render the exercise of jurisdiction over Defendants by the California courts consistent with traditional notions of fair play and substantial justice.

- 17. Venue is proper in this Court because the discharges or releases occurred in Los Angeles County. Furthermore, venue is proper in this Court under Health and Safety Code § 25249.7.
- 18. With respect to violations of Health and Safety Code § 25249.5, et seq., on October 11, 2006, pursuant to Health and Safety Code § 25249.7, Plaintiff served appropriate Notices of Violations of Proposition 65 to each of the named Defendants. The Notices of Violation of Proposition 65 were also served to the California Attorney General, the Los Angeles County District Attorney, and the Los Angeles City Attorney. Each Notice of Violation included a Certificate of Service by Mail and a document entitled "The State Drinking Water & Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65) A Summary." Health and Safety Code § 25249.7(d).
- None of these public prosecutors have commenced or is diligently prosecuting an action against the violations alleged herein.

## STATUTORY AND REGULATORY BACKGROUND

20. The Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 is an initiative statute that was placed before the California electorate as "Proposition 65". It was approved by the voters by nearly a two-to-one margin. Health and Safety Code § 25249.5, et. seq.

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21. Health and Safety Code § 25249.5 absolutely prohibits any business from contaminating California's drinking water supplies. Section 25249.5 provides:

No person in the course of doing business shall knowingly discharge or release a chemical known to the state to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity into water or onto or into land where such chemical passes or probably will pass into any source of drinking water. . .

- 22. Proposition 65 establishes a procedure by which the Governor lists chemicals known to the state to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity. Health and Safety Code § 25249.8. Pursuant to this authority, on February 27, 1987, Benzene was listed as a known carcinogen. On December 26, 1997, Benzene was also listed as a known reproductive toxicant. On January 1, 1991, Toluene was listed as a known reproductive toxicant. On June 11, 2004, Ethylbenzene was listed as a known carcinogen. Each of these chemicals became subject to the prohibitions under Health and Safety Code § 25249.5 twenty months after they were listed. Health and Safety Code § 25249.9(a).
- 23. Under Proposition 65, a "source of drinking water" is defined as a present source of drinking water or water that is identified in a water quality control plan or "Basin Plan" as being suitable for domestic or municipal uses. Health and Safety Code § 25249.11(d). Moreover, "water" is defined to include both surface and ground water, pursuant to 22 CCR § 12102(w). The State Water Resources Control Board Resolution No. 88-63 states that "[a]fl surface and ground waters of the State are considered to be suitable, or potentially suitable, for municipal or domestic water supply and should be so designated by the Regional Boards." In accordance with this policy, the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board designated the West Coast sub-basin and the Santa Monica sub-basin, which contain the Ballona, Silverado, and Gage Aquifers, as having existing beneficial use for domestic drinking water.
- 24. Violations of Proposition 65 may be enforced by any person in the public interest, after providing a 60-day notice of the violations to the Attorney General, District Attorney, City Attorney and the alleged violator. Health and Safety Code § 25249.7(d)(1). Remedies include injunctive relief to prevent actual or threatened

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violations, and penalties of up to \$2,500 per day per violation. Health and Safety Code § 25249.7(a) and (b).

#### FACTUAL BACKGROUND

#### THE PLAYA DEL REY FACILITY

- 25. Defendants operate the Southern California Gas Company, which is located in the Playa del Rey region of Los Angeles and supplies natural gas to California customers. The facility is located in a highly developed and populated residential section. of Los Angeles. The facility operates an import, storage, transfer and delivery system of natural gas. Part of the operations include the underground storage of natural gas, for which it uses a partially depleted oilfield located approximately 6,000 feet below ground level. The reservoir is connected to the surface by over 200 Wells, which were drilled in the 1920's and 1930's in order to retrieve the oil. Approximately 30% of the original oil from the oilfield was depleted. In 1942, as part of the national war effort, the Federal government allowed the reservoir to be converted into an underground storage facility for natural gas. The oilfield is located under a thick layer of cap rock (a low permeable layer of rock). It was believed that the cap rock would prevent the gas from leaking to the surface, even though it had been punctured over 200 times when the Wells were originally drilled. This belief was based on the assumption that the Wells would not leak.
- 26. Currently, pipelines deliver natural gas from Texas and Oklahoma to the Playa del Rey facility. The imported natural gas is compressed and placed under significant pressure in order to inject it into the underground reservoir. As the reservoir is only partially depleted of crude oil, it has a high concentration of aromatic and volatile organic compounds, including Benzene, Toluene and Ethylbenzene, chemicals that the State of California recognizes as carcinogens and reproductive toxicants. When the natural gas is injected underground under high pressure, it mixes with the crude oil from the reservoir, becomes enriched with BTEX.

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- 27. The twelve Wells that are subject to this action were drilled in the 1930's using equipment and materials of the day. These 70 year old Wells have deteriorated over time and have developed cracks and leaks. When leaks in the Wells develop, the leaks allow BTEX to be released from the Well casings and into the soil and rock formations that surround the Wells. The BTEX then moves vertically toward the surface, passing into or threatening to pass into the Ballona, Silverado and Gage Aquifers, and contaminating or threatening to contaminate these protected sources of drinking water.
- 28. Moreover, under the conditional use permit issued by the City of Los Angeles Planning Commission, the company is required to confine the gas in the reservoir to an area that measures approximately 240 acres. However, because the company stores the gas under such high pressure, the gas has migrated outside of the 240 acre footprint and spans across an area that is roughly 2,000 acres. In fact, tests have detected BTEX around the heads of Wells that are located outside of the 240 acre footprint, including most if not all of the Wells at issue in this action, indicating that the gas has not only migrated laterally, but that the Wells themselves leak.

#### B. THE WELLS

- 29. This action concerns releases or discharges from twelve (12) individual Wells. Each of these Wells has and continues to discharge or release BTEX, which pass or probably will pass into sources of drinking water in violation of Health and Safety Code § 25249.5. The surface location of each of the Wells is located on a lot which the Defendants are in the process of selling, presumably for more residential development.
- 30. Well "13-1" is located in Playa dei Rey, which is within the City and County of Los Angeles, California. Well 13-1 was drilled in 1935 to a depth of approximately 6,400 feet and it intersects the Silverado and Gage Aquifers. Well 13-1 was operated periodically until it was abandoned in 1992.

- 31. Well "23-1" is located in Playa del Rey, which is within the City and County of Los Angeles, California. Well 23-1 was drilled in 1935 to a depth of approximately 6,500 feet, and it intersects the Silverado and Gage Aquifers. Well 23-1 was abandoned in 1940, but in 1955 it was reworked and operated periodically until it was re-abandoned in 1993.
- 32. Well "29-1" is located in Playa del Rey, which is within the City and County of Los Angeles, California. Well 29-1 was drilled in 1935 to a depth of approximately 6,200 feet, and it intersects the Silverado and Gage Aquifers. Well 29-1 was abandoned in 1941, but in 1956 it was reworked and operated periodically until it was re-abandoned in 1994.
- 33. Well "29-2" is located in Playa del Rey, which is within the City and County of Los Angeles, California. Well 29-2 was drilled in 1936 to a depth of approximately 6,300 feet, and it intersects the Silverado and Gage Aquifers. Well 29-2 was operated until it was abandoned in 1994.
- 34. Well "Champ 1" is located in Playa del Rey, which is within the City and County of Los Angeles, California. Champ 1 was drilled in 1935 to a depth of approximately 6,900 feet, and it intersects the Silverado and Gage Aquifers. Champ 1 was abandoned in 1937, and re-abandoned in 1958.
- 35. Well "Hisey 1" is located in Playa del Rey, which is within the City and County of Los Angeles, California. Hisey 1 was drilled in 1935 to a depth of approximately 6,500 feet, and it intersects the Silverado and Gage Aquifers. Hisey 1 was abandoned in 1939, but in 1956 it was reworked and operated periodically until it was reabandoned in 1992.
- 36. Well "Joyce 1" is located in Playa del Rey, which is within the City and County of Los Angeles, California. Joyce 1 was drilled in 1935 to a depth of approximately 6,700 feet, and it intersects the Silverado and Gage Aquifers. Joyce 1 was abandoned in 1941, but in 1956 it was reworked and operated until it was reabandoned in 1993.

37. Well "Lor Mar 1" is located in Playa del Rey, which is within the City and County of Los Angeles, California. Lor Mar 1 was drilled in 1935 to a depth of approximately 6,800 feet and it intersects the Silverado and Gage Aquifers. Lor Mar 1 was abandoned in 1936, but in 1956 it was reworked and operated until it was reabandoned in 1992.

- 38. Well "Merrill 1" is located in Playa del Rey, in the City and County of California. Merrill 1 was drilled in 1935 to a depth of approximately 6,200 feet, and it intersects the Silverado and Gage Aquifers. Merrill 1 was abandoned in 1942, but in 1956 it was reworked and operated periodically until it was re-abandoned in 1992.
- 39. Well "O&M 1" is located in Playa del Rey, which is within the City and County of Los Angeles, California. O&M 1 was drilled in 1935 to a depth of approximately 6,600 feet, and it intersects the Silverado and Gage Aquifers. O&M 1 was abandoned in 1936 and it was re-abandoned in 1956.
- 40. Well "Samarkand 1" is located in Playa del Rey, which is within the City and County of Los Angeles, California. Samarkand 1 was drilled in 1939 to a depth of approximately 6,400 feet, and it intersects the Silverado and Gage Aquifers. Samarkand 1 was abandoned in 1992.
- 41. Well "Troxel 1" is located in Marina del Rey, which is within the City and County of Los Angeles, California. Troxel 1 was drilled in 1930 to a depth of approximately 5,900 feet, and it intersects the Ballona and Silverado Aquifers. Troxel 1 was abandoned in 1993, but required re-abandonment in 1994.

## C. DEFENDANTS' KNOWLEDGE OF THE LEAKING STORAGE WELLS

42. Defendants have known that there were and are continuing to be leaks of BTEX from each of the subject Wells. This activity has resulted in the continuous discharge or release of chemicals known to cause cancer and birth defects into water or into or onto land where the chemicals pass or probably will pass into sources of drinking water.

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- 43. Defendants' own soil gas testing in areas adjacent to the Wells made them aware that BTEX has and continues to migrate up and out of their Wells. Additionally, the abandonment history of Defendants' Wells reveal the inadequacy of the abandonment procedures for Wells connected to a high-pressure natural gas storage facility, as many of Defendants' Wells continue to leak subsequent to their abandonment. In fact, internal memoranda specifically describe the ways in which Well leaks occur at the Playa del Rey facility.
- 44. In addition, the Playa del Rey storage facility loses at least one (1) pound or gas per square inch per day, or approximately 1% of reservoir gas per year. In fact, SoCalGas admits that the reservoir leaks millions of cubic feet of gas annually.
- 45. Despite Defendants' knowledge that its Wells discharge or release toxic chemicals, they continue to operate their facility in such a manner that these chemicals pass or threaten to pass into protected sources of drinking water.

#### CLAIMS

## Allegations Common to All Causes of Action

- 46. Proposition 65 prohibits a person in the course of doing business from knowingly discharging or releasing a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity into water or onto or into land where such chemical passes or probably will pass into any source of drinking water. Health and Safety Code § 25249.5.
- 47. Pursuant to Health and Safety Code § 25249.8, Benzene was listed as a known carcinogen on February 27, 1987. On December 26, 1997, Benzene was listed as a known reproductive toxicant. On January 1, 1991, Toluene was listed as a known reproductive toxicant. On June 11, 2004, Ethylbenzene was listed as a known carcinogen. These chemicals became subject to the prohibitions under Health and Safety Code § 25249.5 twenty months after they were listed. Health and Safety Code § 25249.9(a).

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- 48. Proposition 65 defines a "source of drinking water" as surface or ground water that is a present source of drinking water or that is identified in a water quality control plan as being suitable for domestic or municipal uses. Health and Safety Code § 25249.11(d); 22 California Code of Regulations ("CCR") § 12102(w). The State Water Resources Control Board Resolution No. 88-63 states that "[a]II surface and ground waters of the State are considered to be suitable, or potentially suitable, for municipal or domestic water supply and should be so designated by the Regional Boards." In accordance with this policy, the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board designated the West Coast sub-basin and the Santa Monica sub-basin, which contain the Ballona, Silverado and Gage Aquifers, as supporting existing beneficial uses for domestic drinking water.
- 49. Defendants are "person[s] in the course of doing business", as that phrase is defined under Health and Safety Code § 25249.11, because they are businesses with ten (10) or more employees.
- 50. Defendants know and have known that discharges or releases of BTEX from each Well have and continue to occur.
- 51. Proposition 65 provides that any person "violating or threatening to violate" the statute may be enjoined in any court of competent jurisdiction. Health and Safety Code § 25249.7. In addition, violators are liable for civil penalties of up to \$2,500 per day per violation, recoverable in a civil action. *Id.*, § 25249.7(b). By the described acts, Defendents are liable for a civil penalty of up to \$2,500 per day per for each discharge or release of BTEX from each Well described in each Cause of Action. *Id.*, § 25249.7(b).

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#### FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

Violations of California Health and Safety Code § 25249.5, et seq. (Against All Defendants, as to Well 13-1)

- 52. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 53. Defendants own Well 13-1. Well 13-1 has and continues to discharge or release BTEX, chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and/or birth defects. These chemicals are discharged or released through leaks in Well 13-1 and migrate vertically towards the surface through the Well casing or natural points of least resistance in the rock and soil which surround the Well. BTEX passes or probably will pass into the Silverado and Gage Aquifers, which are protected sources of drinking water.
- 54. Therefore, Defendants in the course of doing business knowingly discharged or released BTEX, chemicals known to cause cancer and/or birth defects, into water or onto or into land where these chemicals pass or probably will pass into a source of drinking water, in violation of Health and Safety Code § 25249.5.

#### SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

Violations of California Health and Safety Code § 25249.5, et seq. (Against All Defendants, as to Well 23-1)

- 55. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 56. Defendants own Well 23-1. Well 23-1 has and continues to discharge or release BTEX, chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and/or birth defects. These chemicals are discharged or released through leaks in Well 23-1 and migrate vertically towards the surface through the Well casing or natural points of least

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resistance in the rock and soil which surround the Well. BTEX passes or probably will pass into the Silverado and Gage Aquifers, which are protected sources of drinking water.

57. Therefore, Defendants in the course of doing business knowingly discharged or released BTEX, chemicals known to cause cancer and/or birth defects, into water or onto or into land where these chemicals pass or probably will pass into a source of drinking water, in violation of Health and Safety Code § 25249.5.

#### THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

Violations of California Health and Safety Code § 25249.5, et seq. (Against All Defendants, as to Well 29-1)

- 58. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 59. Defendants own Well 29-1. Well 29-1 has and continues to discharge or release BTEX, chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and/or birth defects. These chemicals are discharged or released through leaks in Well 29-1 and migrate vertically towards the surface through the Well casing or natural points of least resistance in the rock and soil which surround the Well. BTEX passes or probably will pass into the Silverado and Gage Aquifers, which are protected sources of drinking water.
- 60. Therefore, Defendants in the course of doing business knowingly discharged or released BTEX, chemicals known to cause cancer and/or birth defects, into water or onto or into land where these chemicals pass or probably will pass into a source of drinking water, in violation of Health and Safety Code § 25249.5.

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#### **FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

Violations of California Health and Safety Code § 25249.5, et seq. (Against All Defendants, as to Well 29-2)

- 61. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 62. Defendants own Well 29-2. Well 29-2 has and continues to discharge or release BTEX, chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and/or birth defects. These chemicals are discharged or released through leaks in Well 29-2 and migrate vertically towards the surface through the Well casing or natural points of least resistance in the rock and soil which surround the Well. BTEX passes or probably will pass into the Silverado and Gage Aquifers, which are protected sources of drinking water.
- 63. Therefore, Defendants in the course of doing business knowingly discharged or released BTEX, chemicals known to cause cancer and/or birth defects, into water or onto or into land where these chemicals pass or probably will pass into a source of drinking water, in violation of Health and Safety Code § 25249.5.

#### FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

Violations of California Health and Safety Code § 25249.5, et seq. (Against All Defendants, as to Well Champ 1)

- 64. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 65. Defendants own Well Champ 1. Well Champ 1 has and continues to discharge or release BTEX, chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and/or birth defects. These chemicals are discharged or released through leaks in Well Champ 1 and migrate vertically towards the surface through the Well casing or natural points of least resistance in the rock and soil which surround the Well. BTEX passes or

probably will pass into the Silverado and Gage Aquifers, which are protected sources of drinking water.

66. Therefore, Defendants in the course of doing business knowingly discharged or released BTEX, chemicals known to cause cancer and/or birth defects, into water or onto or into land where these chemicals pass or probably will pass into a source of drinking water, in violation of Health and Safety Code § 25249.5.

#### SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

# Violations of California Health and Safety Code § 25249.5, et seq. (Against All Defendants, as to Well Hisey 1)

- 67. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 68. Defendants own Well Hisey 1. Well Hisey 1 has and continues to discharge or release BTEX, chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and/or birth defects. These chemicals are discharged or released through leaks in Well Hisey 1 and migrate vertically towards the surface through the Well casing or natural points of least resistance in the rock and soil which surround the Well. BTEX passes or probably will pass into the Silverado and Gage Aquifers, which are protected sources of drinking water.
- 69. Therefore, Defendants in the course of doing business knowingly discharged or released BTEX, chemicals known to cause cancer and/or birth defects, into water or onto or into land where these chemicals pass or probably will pass into a source of drinking water, in violation of Health and Safety Code § 25249.5.

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#### SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

Violations of California Health and Safety Code § 25249.5, et seq. (Against All Defendants, as to Well Joyce 1)

- 70. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein
- 71. Defendants own Well Joyce 1. Well Joyce 1 has and continues to discharge or release BTEX, chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and/or birth defects. These chemicals are discharged or released through leaks in Well Joyce 1 and migrate vertically towards the surface through the Well casing or natural points of least resistance in the rock and soil which surround the Well. BTEX passes or probably will pass into the Silverado and Gage Aquifers, which are protected sources of drinking water.
- 72. Therefore, Defendants in the course of doing business knowingly discharged or released BTEX, chemicals known to cause cancer and/or birth defects, into water or onto or into land where these chemicals pass or probably will pass into a source of drinking water, in violation of Health and Safety Code § 25249.5.

#### **EIGHTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

Violations of California Health and Safety Code § 25249.5, et seq. (Against All Defendants, as to Well Lor Mar 1)

- 73. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 74. Defendants own Well Lor Mar 1. Well Lor Mar 1 has and continues to discharge or release BTEX, chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and/or birth defects. These chemicals are discharged or released through leaks in Well Lor Mar 1 and migrate vertically towards the surface through the Well casing or natural points of least resistance in the rock and soil which surround the Well. BTEX passes or

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75. Therefore, Defendants in the course of doing business knowingly discharged or released BTEX, chemicals known to cause cancer and/or birth defects, into water or onto or into land where these chemicals pass or probably will pass into a source of drinking water, in violation of Health and Safety Code § 25249.5.

#### NINTH CAUSE OF ACTION

Violations of California Health and Safety Code § 25249.5, et seq. (Against All Defendants, as to Well Merrill 1)

- 76. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 77. Defendants own Well Merrill 1. Well Merrill 1 has and continues to discharge or release BTEX, chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and/or birth defects. These chemicals are discharged or released through leaks in Well Merrill 1 and migrate vertically towards the surface through the Well casing or natural points of least resistance in the rock and soil which surround the Well. BTEX passes or probably will pass into the Silverado and Gage Aquifers, which are protected sources of drinking water.
- 78. Therefore, Defendants in the course of doing business knowingly discharged or released BTEX, chemicals known to cause cancer and/or birth defects, into water or onto or into land where these chemicals pass or probably will pass into a source of drinking water, in violation of Health and Safety Code § 25249.5.

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#### **TENTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

# Violations of California Health and Safety Code § 25249.5, et seq. (Against All Defendants, as to Well O&M 1)

- 79. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 80. Defendants own Well O&M 1. Well O&M 1 has and continues to discharge or release BTEX, chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and/or birth defects. These chemicals are discharged or released through leaks in Well O&M 1 and migrate vertically towards the surface through the Well casing or natural points of least resistance in the rock and soil which surround the Well. BTEX passes or probably will pass into the Silverado and Gage Aquifers, which are protected sources of drinking water.
- 81. Therefore, Defendants in the course of doing business knowingly discharged or released BTEX, chemicals known to cause cancer and/or birth defects, into water or onto or into land where these chemicals pass or probably will pass into a source of drinking water, in violation of Health and Safety Code § 25249.5.

#### **ELEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

# Violations of California Health and Safety Code § 25249.5, et seq. (Against All Defendants, as to Well Samarkand 1)

- 82. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 83. Defendants own Well Samarkand 1. Well Samarkand 1 has and continues to discharge or release BTEX, chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and/or birth defects. These chemicals are discharged or released through leaks in Well Samarkand 1 and migrate vertically towards the surface through the Well casing or natural points of least resistance in the rock and soil which surround the Well. BTEX

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84. Therefore, Defendants in the course of doing business knowingly discharged or released BTEX, chemicals known to cause cancer and/or birth defects, into water or onto or into land where these chemicals pass or probably will pass into a source of drinking water, in violation of Health and Safety Code § 25249.5.

#### TWELFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

Violations of California Health and Safety Code § 25249.5, et seq. (Against Ali Defendants, as to Well Troxel 1)

- 85. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 86. Defendants own Well Troxel 1. Well Troxel 1 has and continues to discharge or release BTEX, chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and/or birth defects. These chemicals are discharged or released through leaks in Well Troxel 1 and migrate vertically towards the surface through the Well casing or natural points of least resistance in the rock and soil which surround the Well. BTEX passes or probably will pass into the Silverado and Ballona Aquifers, which are protected sources of drinking water.
- 87. Therefore, Defendants in the course of doing business knowingly discharged or released BTEX, chemicals known to cause cancer and/or birth defects, into water or onto or into land where these chemicals pass or probably will pass into a source of drinking water, in violation of Health and Safety Code § 25249.5.

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 88. There is a present and actual existing controversy between Plaintiff and Defendant regarding the legality of Defendants' ongoing business operations as described herein, such that declaratory relief is proper.

#### INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

89. By committing the acts alleged herein, Defendants have caused irreparable harm for which there is no plain, speedy, or adequate remedy at law. In the absence of equitable relief, Defendants' Wells will continue to discharge or release chemicals that cause cancer and birth defects into the Ballona, Silverado and Gage aquifers, which creates a substantial risk of irreparable contamination to these protected sources of drinking water.

#### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

- 90. WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests this Court to grant the following relief:
- A. A declaration by this Court that Defendants have been, are and continue to violate Health and Safety Code §§ 25249.5, et seq.;
- B. A temporary restraining order, and preliminary and permanent injunction enjoining Defendants from threatening to violate or in fact violating Health and Safety Code section 25249.5 et seq. by releasing and/or discharging Benzene, Toluene and Ethylbenzene into water or into or onto land where it has passed or probably will pass into any source of drinking water;
- C. An order mandating that Defendants take every action necessary to assure that all relief requested herein is obtained and fully funded;

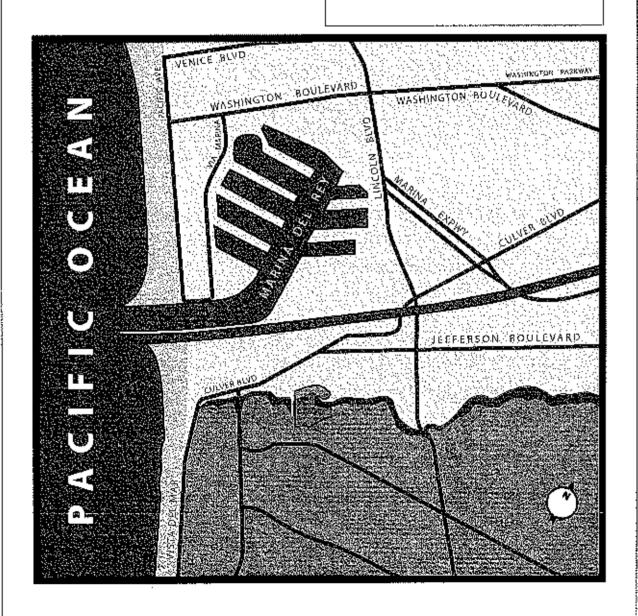
1	D.	An award of statuto	ory civil penalties of \$2,500 per day for each		
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5	applicable provisio	ns of law; and			
6	F.	Such other and fur	ther relief as this Court may deem necessary and		
7	proper.				
8	Respectfully submi	itted,			
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# SoCalGas Storage Facility and Surrounding Area

Exhibit 1

MAP LEGEND

SoCal Gas Facility

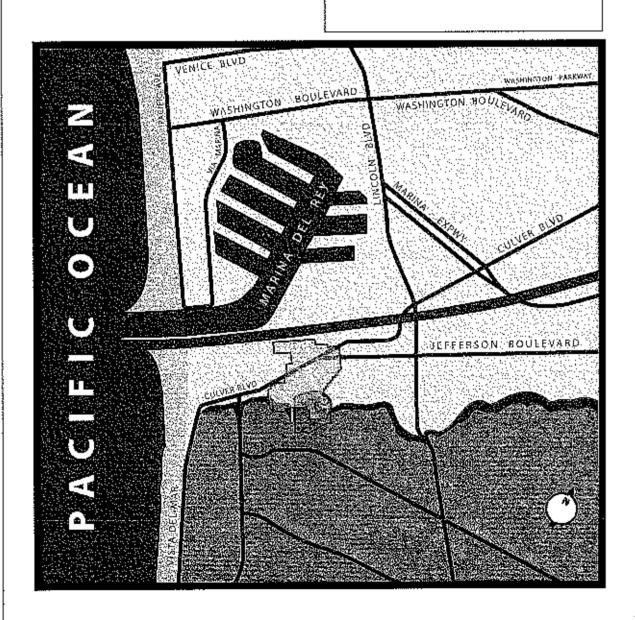


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Exhibit 2

#### MAP LEGEND

- SoCal Gas Facility
- Conditional Use Permit Boundaries

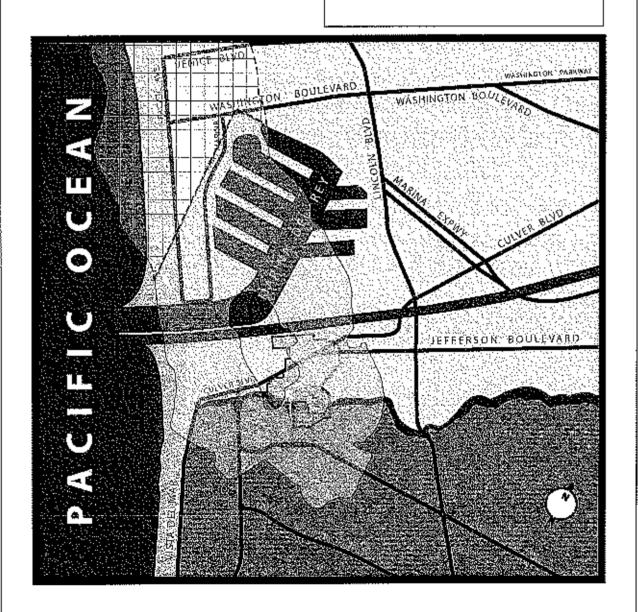


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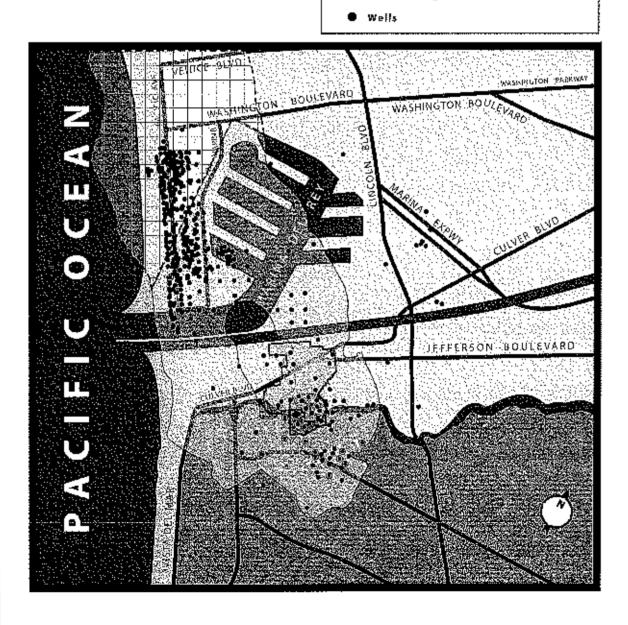
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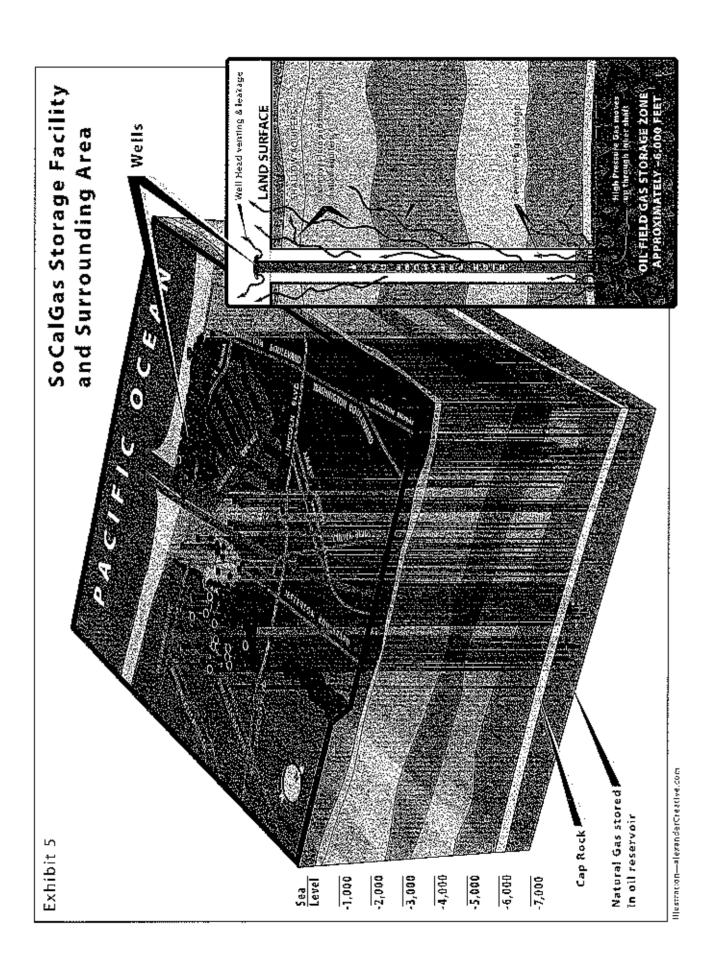
- SoCal Gas Facility
- Conditional Use Permit Boundaries
- Gas Migration (Documented)
- Gas Migration (Estimated for illustrative purposes only)



# SoCalGas Storage Facility and Surrounding Area Exhibit 4

# MAP LEGEND SoCal Gas Facility Conditional Use Permit Boundaries Gas Migration (Documented) Gas Migration (Estimated for illustrative purposes only) Wells in litigation—ELF v. SoCal Gas





CM-010 ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Mains, State Bennumber, and address): SOR COURT USE DAILY CHRISTOPHER P. RIDOUT (SBN 143931) Rose, Klein & Marias LLP **EGALDHWEIT** EDAN 801 S. Grand Avenue, 11th Floor LOS ANGORS SUPPORTO COURT Los Angeles, CA 90017-4645 тежеркомомо.: (213) 626-0571 FAXNO: (213) 623-7755 JAN 112007 ATTORNAY FOR (Name) Plaintiff Environmental Law Foundation SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Clark Executive Officer/Clerk STREET AGDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: 121 N. Hill Street 90012 CHYANDZIPCOG:Los Angeles, CA BRANCH NAME Central Judicial District Environmental Law Foundation, et al. Southern California Gas Co. GASE NUMBER B C 3 6 4 5 5 5 Complex Case Designation CIVIL CASE COVER SHEET Joinder ... Limited X Unlimited Counter julioste: (Amount tamount Filed with first appearance by defendant demanded is demanded (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3,402). DEPX: exceeds \$25,000) \$25,000 or less) Items 1-5 below must be completed (see Instructions on page 2). Check one box below for the case type that bost describes this case; Provisionally Complex Civil Litigation Contract Auto Tork (Cal. Rules of Court, rules 3,400-3,403) Breach of contract/warrenty (08) Auto (22) Antitrus@Trade regulation (03) Collections (09) Uninsured motorist (46) Insurance coverage (18) Construction defect (10) Other PI/PD/WD (Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wronglyl Death) Tort Other contract (37) Mass tort (40) Securities litigation (28) Real Property Asbestos (04) X Environmentai/Toxic tort (30) Eminent domain/loverse Product liability (24) condemnation (14). Insurance coverage plaints arising from the Medical malpractice (45) Wrangful eviction (33) above listed provisionally complex case Dother PSPD/WD (23) Other real property (26) types (41). Non-PI/PD/WD (Other) Tort Enforcement of Judgment ... Business tort/unfalr business practice (07) Unlawful Detainer Enforcement of Judgment (20) Commercial (31) Civil rights (08) Miscellaneous Civil Complaint Residential (32) Oafamation (13) RICO (27) Drugs (38) Fraud (16) Other complaint (not specified above) (42) Judicial Review Intellectual property (19) Miscellaneous Civil Petition Asset forfeiture (05) Professional negligence (25) Partnership and corporate governance (21) Other noл-PI/PD/WD tort (35) Petition so: arbitration award (51). Other polition (not specified above) (43) Walt of mandate (02): Employment Other judicial review (39) Wrongful termination (35) Other employment (15) is not complex under rule 3.400 of the California Rules of Court. If the case is complex, mark the ا المركب This case factors requiring exceptional judicial management: Targe number of witnesses Large number of separately represented parties b. Extensive motion practice raising difficult or novel e. . Coordination with related actions pending in one or more courts in other counties, states, or countries, or in a federal court. issues that will be time-consuming to resolve f. | 38bstantial postjudgment judicial supervision c. Substantial amount of documentary evidence Type of remedios sought (check all that apply): a. [X] monetary b. [X] nonmonetary; declaratory or injunctive relief Number of causes of action (specify): 5. This case is X Is not a class action suit.

NOTICE

 Plaintiff must file this cover sheet with the first paper filed in the action or proceeding (except small claims cases or cases filed under the Probate Code, Family Code, or Welfare and Institutions Code). (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.220.) Failure to file may result la sanctions.

File this cover sheet in addition to any cover sheet required by local court rule.

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 If this case is complex under rule 3.400 et seq. of the California Rules of Court, you must serve a copy of this covor sheet on all other parties to the action or proceeding.

Unless this is a complex case, this cover sheet will be used for statistical purposes only

If there are any known related cases, file and serve a notice of related case fixed may use form

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#### CIVIL CASE COVER SHEET ADDENDUM AND STATEMENT OF LOCATION (CERTIFICATE OF GROUNDS FOR ASSIGNMENT TO COURTHOUSE LOCATION)

This form is required pursuant to LASC Local Rule 2.0 in all new civil case filings in the Los Angelos Superior Court.
Item I. Check the types of hearing and fill in the estimated length of hearing expected for this case:  JURY TRIAL?     X   YES CLASS ACTION?     YES LIMITED CASE?     YES TIME SSTIMATED FOR TRIAL   20       HOURS!   X   DAYS
Item II. Select the correct district and courthouse location (4 steps - If you checked "Limited Case", skip to item III, Pg. 4):
Step 1: After first completing the Civil Case Cover Sheet Form, find the main civil case cover sheet heading for your case in
the left margin below, and, to the right in Cotumn A, the Civil Case Cover Sheet case type you selected.
Step 2: Check one Superior Court type of action in Column B below which best describes the nature of this case.
Sten 3: In Column C, circle the reason for the court location choice that applies to the type of action you have checked

## Applicable Reasons for Choosing Courthouse Location (See Column C below)

- 1. Class Actions must be filed in the County Courthouse, Central District.
- 2. May be fited in Central (Other county, or no Bodily Injury/Properly Damage).

For any exception to the court location, see Los Angeles Superior Court Local Rule 2.0.

- 3. Location where cause of action arose.
- 4. Location where bodily injury, death or damage occurred. 5. Location where performance required or defendant resides.
- Location of property or germanently garaged vehicle.
- Location where petitioner resides, 7.
- Location wherein defendant/respondent functions wholly.
- Location where one or more of the parties reside.
- 16. Location of Labor Commissioner Office.

Step 4: Fill in the information requested on page 4 in Item III; complete Item IV. Sign the declaration.

Fort	A Civil Case Cover Sheet Category No.	B Type of Action (Check only one)	C Applicable Reasons Seo Step 3 Above
Ď.	Auto (22)	A7100 Motor Vehicle - Personal Injury/Proporty Damage/Wrongful Death	1., 2., 4.
Auto	Unimaured Motorist (46)	A7110 Personal (njury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death – Uninsured Motorist	1., 2., 4.
ž t	Asbestos (04)	A6070 Asbastos Property Damage A7221 Asbastos - Personal Injury/Wrongful Death	2. 2.
reperty th Tort	Product Clability (24)	[] A7260 Product Liability (not asbestos or toxic/environmental)	1., 2., 3., 4., 8.
l Injury/Prop gful Death	Wedical Malpractice (45)	A7210 Medical Maipractice - Physicians & Surgoons A7240 Other Professional Health Care Maipractice	1., 2., 4.
Other Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death Tort	Other Persona) Injury Property Damage Wrongful Death	A7250 Premises Liability (e.g., slip and fall)  A7230 Intentional Bodily injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Doath (e.g., assault, vandalism, etc.)	1., 2., 4.
ōÖ į	(23)	A7270 Intentional Infliction of Emptional Distress  A7220 Other Personal Injuty/Property Damage/Wrongful Death	1., 2., 3. 1., 2., 4.
	Business Fort (07)	[ ] A6029 Other Commercial/Business Ton (not fraud/breach of contract)	1., 2., 3.
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Non-Personal Injury/Property	Dofametion (13)	A6010 Defamation (slander/libel)	1., 2., 3.
Non-Personal Injury/Propert	Fraud (16)	A8013 Fraud (no contract)	1., 2., 3.
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Professional Megligence (25)	A6017 Legal Malpractice A6050 Other Professional Malorzofice (not medical or legal)	1., 2., 3. 1., 2., 3.
Other (35)	Λ6025 Other Non-Personal Injury/Property Damage test	2,, 3.
Wrongful Termination (36) Other Employment	A8037 Wrongful Termination  A6024 Other Employment Complaint Case	1., 2., 3. 1., 2., 3.
(15)	A6109 Labor Commissioner Appeals	10.
Broach of Contract/ Warrenty (06) (not insurance)	A6084 Breach of Rental/Lease Contract (not Untawful Detainer or wrongful eviction)  A6088 Contract/Warranty Breach-Seller Plaintiff (no fraut/hegligence)  A6019 Negligent Breach of Contract/Warranty (not fraud)  A6028 Other Breach of Contract/Warranty (not fraud or negligence)	2., 5. 2., 5. 1., 2., 5. 1., 2., 5.
Collections (09)	A6002 Colfections Case-Seller Plaintiff A6012 Other Promissory Note/Collections Casa	2., 5., 6. 2., 5.
Insurênce Coverage (18)	A6015 Insurance Coverago (not complex)	1., 2., 5., 8.
Other Contract (37)	A6009 Contractual Fraud A6031 Tortious Interference A6027 Other Contract Dispute (not breach/Insurance/fraud/negligence)	1., 2., 3., 5. 1., 2., 3., 5. 1., 2., 3., 8.
Eminent Domatn/Inverse Condomnation (\$4)	A7300 Eminent Domain/Condemnation Number of parcels	2.
Wrongful Evictions (33)	A6023 Wrongful Eviction Case	2., 6.
Other Real Property (26)	A6018 Mortgage Foreclosuro  AB032 Quiet Title  A5080 Other Real Property (not eminent domain, landlord/tenant, foreclosuro)	2., 6. 2., 6. 2., 6.
Unlawful Detainer - Commercial (31)	A6021 Unlowful Detainer-Commercial (not drugs as wrongful aylotion)	2., 6
Unlawful Detainer - Residential (32)	A6020 Unlawful Detainer-Residential (not drugs or wrongful eviction)	2., 6.
Unlawful Detainer - Drugs (38)		2., 6.
Asset Forfeiture (05)	A6108 Asset Forfeiture Case	2., 6.
Petition re Arbitration (11)	A6115 Petition to Compel/Confirm√Vacate Arbitration	2., 5.

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1:1	A Civil Case Cover Sheet Category No.		B Type of Action (Check only one)	C Applicable Reasons - See Step 3 Above
Judicial Review (Cont'd.)	Writ of Mandate (02) Other Jediclal Review	A6153	Writ - Administrative Mandamus  Writ - Mandamus on Limited Court Case Matter  Writ - Other Limited Court Case Review	2., 8. 2. 2.
bush	(39) Antitrust/Trade Regulation (03)		Other Writ / Judicial Review  Antitrust/Trade Regulation	1., 2., 8.
×	Construction Defect (18)	A6007	Construction defect	1., 2., 3.
Provisionally Complex Litigation	Claims Involving Mass Tart (40)	\$008A	Claims Involving Mass Tort	1., 2., 8.
iionally Cor Litigation	Securities Litigation (28)	A6035	Securities Litigation Case	1., 2., 8.
Provis	Toxic Tort Environmental (30)	X A6036	Toxic Toxi/Environmental	1.(2)(3), 8.
1	Insurance Coverage Claims from Complex Case (41)	A <del>5</del> 014	Insurance Coverage/Subrogation (complex case only)	1., 2., 5., 8.
Enforcement of Judgment	Enforcement of Judgment {20}	A6160 A6107 A6140	Sister State Judgment Abstract of Judgment Confession of Judgment (non-comestic relations) Administrative Agency Award (not unpaid taxes) Petition/Certificate for Entry of Judgment on Unpaid Tax Other Enforcement of Judgment Case	2., 9. 2., 6. 2., 9. 2., 8. 2., 8. 2., 8., 9.
5 ,	RICO (27)	[] A6033	Racketeering (RfCO) Case	1., 2., 8.
Complaints	Other Complainss (Not Specified Above) (42)	A604D	Declaratory Relief Only Injunctive Relief Only (not domestic/harasament) Other Commercial Complaint Case (non-tort/non-complex) Other Civil Complaint (non-tort/non-complex)	1., 2., 8. 2., 8. 1., 2., 8. 1., 2., 8.
22	Partnership Corporation Governance (21)	A6113	Partnership and Corporate Governance Case	2., 8.
Miscellaneous Civil Petitions	Other Pullilans (Not Specified Above) (43)	A6123 A6124 A6190 A6110 A6170	Civil Harassment Workplace Harassment Elder/Dependent Adult Abuse Case Election Contest Petition for Change of Name Petition for Reliaf from Late Claim Law Other Civil Petition	2., 3., 9. 2., 3., 9. 2., 3., 9. 2. 2., 7. 2., 3., 4., 8. 2., 5.

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Item III. Statement of Location: Enter the address of the accident, party's residence or place of business, performance, or other circumstance indicated in Item II., Step 3 on Page 1, as the proper reason for filing in the court location you selected.

REASON: CHECK THE NUMBER UNDER COLUMN D WHICH APPLIES IN THIS CASE ADDRESS:										
ETM. Playa Del Rey	STATE: CA	ZIP 0000: 90293	,							

Dated: January 11, 2007

(SIGNATURE OF AS HURNEY/PILING PARTY)

CHRISTOPHER P. RIDOUT (SBN 143932)

# PLEASE HAVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS COMPLETED AND READY TO BE FILED IN ORDER TO PROPERLY COMMENCE YOUR NEW COURT CASE:

- 1. Original Complaint or Petition.
- 2. If filling a Complaint, a completed Summons form for issuance by the Clerk.
- 3. Civil Case Cover Sheet form CM-010.
- Complete Addendum to Civili Case Cover Sheet form LASC Approved CIV 109 03-04 (Rev. 03/06).
- 5. Payment in full of the flling fee, unless fees have been waived.
- Signed order appointing the Guardian ad Litem, JC form 982(a)(27), if the plaintiff or petitioner is a minor under 18 years of age, or if required by Court.
- Additional copies of documents to be conformed by the Clerk. Copies of the cover sheet and this addendum must be served along with the summons and complaint, or other initiating pleading in the case.