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Re: Proposed “Trenched Underpass for
Las Palmas Avenue”

Dear Sirs:

Recently, I have had the opportunity to speak to each of you regarding some of the concerns of Patterson Vegetable Company relating to a possible project as detailed in the May 13, 2008 edition of The Modesto Bee where it is referred to as a “trenched underpass for Las Palmas Avenue.”

Our business employs over 700 people during our peak season. Our main processing plant is located on Las Palmas Avenue with current truck access on the northwest side of the plant directly off Las Palmas Avenue where we supply raw product to our plant from our local growers and remove from our plant food by-products to be recycled.

Our administrative office is also located on Las Palmas Avenue across that street from our main processing plant. Our employees, our staff and visitors cross the street at Las Palmas Avenue and First Street throughout the day to access our administrative office, the main plant and our parking lot located just north of the administrative office.

As I mentioned to each of you, our concern with this type of project is that our operations, the use of our property and the access to our property need to remain unchanged either prior to the commencement of construction of such a project, during such construction, and after construction of such a project.

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Some specific issues for us are as follows:

The Las Palmas Avenue Railroad Crossing:

We have encroachment permits from the City of Patterson and Stanislaus County and an agreement with the railroad for our private pipeline that conveys our process rinse water from our plant to go beneath Las Palmas Avenue some nine (9) feet east of the center line of the railroad tracks. The top of this 20" pipeline is buried under the street some 48". This pipeline is a pressurized line that currently carries some 2 million gallons of process rinse water from our facility to our ponds for land application as irrigation water to farmland.

This pipeline is in use every day of the year and any interruption in its use will cause us to shut down our operations.

Access to Our Main Processing Facility from Las Palmas Avenue:

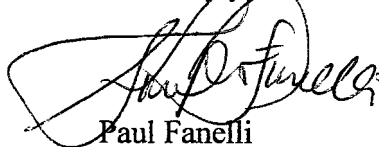
The northwest corner area of our parcel just south of Las Palmas Avenue and east of the railroad tracks serves as the unloading area for raw product trucks and as a loading area for food by-product containers. During our peak season this amounts to up to 90 trucks per day. Continued access to these areas from Las Palmas Avenue is essential to our ongoing operations.

Located at the southwest corner of our parcel just south of Las Palmas Avenue is the main entrance to our main processing plant. With our parking lot located north of the administrative office off First Street, some 500 of our employees that work in our main processing plant cross the street to go to and from the plant.

Buried beneath Las Palmas Avenue at the First Street intersection in addition to the utilities to supply our plant as well as other parts of the city, we have a pipeline with communication cables for connecting the main plant to our office.

Given the potential impact on our operations, our employees, our suppliers and growers, it is essential we be kept informed regarding the status of this proposal. Accordingly, please notify us of any future meetings or modifications regarding this proposal and do not hesitate to contact us if you have questions about our concerns or want additional information from us. I can be contacted at (209) 892-2611, ext. 226, or by e-mail at paul.fanelli@pattersonvegetable.com.

Sincerely yours,



Paul Fanelli
Chief Administrative Officer

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cc: Ray Walker, Chief Executive Officer
Jim DiMartini, County Supervisor