

## City of Maywood

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Mr. Wayne Nastri Executive Director South Coast AQMD 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765

RE: South Coast AQMD Rule 415 Compliance – Rendering Odor Affecting Southeast Los Angeles Communities

Dear Mr. Nastri.

The City of Maywood (City) has been well informed of the ongoing compliance-related concerns corresponding to the South Coast Air Quality Management Control District (SCAQMD) Rule 415 – Odors from Rendering Facilities. In adjacent to our neighboring City of Vernon, (4) four out-of-compliance rendering facilities have been heavily affecting residents of the Maywood due to the immediacy of the sites. The City of Maywood, with the support of the City of Vernon, takes these issues very seriously and expects all rendering businesses compliance with all health-related laws and regulations with the inclusion of South Coast AQMD Rule 415.

For years now, Maywood residents have voiced their concerns about the harmful and disturbing odors emanating from the numerous rendering facilities affecting their health and quality of life by entering their homes. As part of the (SCAQMD) Rule 415, the out-of-compliance rendering facilities are awaiting pending compliance status and given detailed deadlines to comply with the implementation of odor-control measures with the installation of devices that would deter and contain odors. As a result, the City of Maywood is requesting your immediate attention in providing an update; if the remaining rendering facility is in compliance with Rule 415 or not in compliance, then the City is actively seeking a transparent and proactive resolution to the ongoing issues.

At last, the City is committed to partnering with SCAQMD on outreach efforts to help residents understand the ongoing issues and be part of the educational measures to teach the public concerning compliance under rule 415 and attend to the concerns of residents of Maywood and surrounding cities. Our foremost priority in the City of Maywood

is the health of our communities, neighbors, and visitors, and we believe that our residents deserve preemptive and transparent results to preserve our community's wellbeing.

To provide updates, please contact Jennifer Vasquez, City Manager, at <a href="mailto:jennifer.vasquez@cityofmaywood.org">jennifer.vasquez@cityofmaywood.org</a> or (323) 562-5700.

Respectfully.

Jennifer E. Vasquez

City Manager

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