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Dear Mr. Chiem:

From April 2021 through December 2021, CalEPA and the Unified Program state agencies conducted a performance evaluation of the City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA). The evaluation comprised of an assessment of administrative documentation, regulated facility file documentation, and California Environmental Reporting System (CERS) information.

Upon completion of the evaluation, CalEPA issued a final Summary of Findings Report that included program deficiencies and incidental findings with corresponding corrective actions and resolutions. CalEPA has received and reviewed the required Evaluation Progress Reports submitted by the CUPA documenting the progress towards the correction of deficiencies and resolution of incidental findings identified in the final Summary of Findings Report.

Of the 18 deficiencies identified, 15 are considered corrected or closed. Of the three incidental findings identified, each is considered resolved.

Upon closing the 2021 evaluation, the following three deficiencies will be carried through to the 2025 evaluation:

- The CUPA is not inspecting each Hazardous Waste Generator (HWG) facility once every three years (Deficiency #5).
- The CUPA is not properly classifying HWG Program violations (Deficiency #7).
- The CUPA is not ensuring all regulated businesses subject to the Hazardous Materials Business Plan (HMBP) reporting requirements annually submit a chemical inventory or no-change certification to CERS (Deficiency #9).

The CUPA's implementation of the Unified Program will remain as "*satisfactory with improvement needed*" until the remaining deficiencies are corrected or until the conclusion of the 2025 evaluation.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the protection of public health and the environment through the implementation of the Unified Program.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please contact John Paine, Unified Program Manager, at (916) 327-5092.

Sincerely,



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