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Dear Ms. Fennessy:

Thank you for your letter advising the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) of the changes in implementing the Unified Program in Orange County. I understand that the agreement between the Orange County Environmental Health Certified Unified Program Agency (Orange County CUPA) and the City of Garden Grove Fire Department Participating Agency has been dissolved and that the Orange County CUPA will now implement the Hazardous Materials Business Plan program in Orange County.

Based on evidence in our records and the revisions to the "Application for Certification as a Certified Unified Program Agency" submitted to CalEPA by the Orange County CUPA, CalEPA finds that the Orange County CUPA has an adequate plan in place to address all staffing, technical expertise, and resources necessary to assume responsibility of the Hazardous Materials Business Plan program from the City of Garden Grove Fire Department Participating Agency. CalEPA also finds that the Unified Program will be implemented in a more coordinated and consistent manner throughout Orange County. The administration of the Unified Program throughout Orange County will be less fragmented between jurisdictions with regard to the administration of the provisions specified in subdivision (c) of Health and Safety Code, section 25404.

Effective January 1, 2015, the Orange County CUPA is responsible for the implementation of the Hazardous Materials Business Plan program within the City of Garden Grove. The Orange County CUPA and the remaining seven (7) Participating Agencies will be the only local agencies authorized to implement the Unified Program within Orange County as defined in state law (Health & Safety Code, section 25404 et seq.; California Code of Regulations, Title 27, section 15100 et seq.).

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Thank you for your continued commitment to the protection of public health, safety, and the environment. Should you have any questions or need further assistance, please contact me at (916) 327-5092 or Loretta Sylve, Supervisor, Unified Program, at (916) 327-5097.

Sincerely,

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