APPENDIX F

CITY OF RICHMOND LETTER TO BAAQMD (September 3, 1992)
REQUESTING BAAQMD SERVE AS COOPERATING AGENCY

AND

BAAQMD LETTER TO ARB (October 9, 1992)
ROLE OF BAAQMD AS COOPERATING AGENCY
FOR CaRFG2 REFINERY PROJECTS UNDER CEQA

9/10/92 CC: PDV RAF DCS JEA LMK
FYI
From: Harold Holmes

Office of
LAWRENCE M. MOORE
City Manager

City of Richmond

File: EID 92-xx

September 3, 1992

Mr. Milton Feldstein
Air Pollution Control Officer
Bay Area Air Quality Mgmt. District
939 Ellis Street
San Francisco, CA 94109

Dear Mr. Feldstein:

Chevron U.S.A. is proposing to undertake several projects at their Richmond Refinery to comply with 1995/1996 Federal and State clean air requirements. They have requested that the City of Richmond act as lead agency for these projects.

We understand that the Southern California regional air district has agreed to be the lead agency for the refinery projects within their region. It is clear that the primary issues will be related to air quality impacts, and that the air districts have the greatest expertise relative to these matters.

The City of Richmond is agreeable to being the lead agency for this project. However, given the aforementioned expertise of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD), I believe that it is essential that the BAAQMD participates as a cooperating agency in accordance with Subsection (d) of Section 15051 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

The City of Richmond had a conceptually similar agreement with the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) for Chevron's Deep Water Outfall Project. The agreement was formalized by their Board action. As a cooperating agency, the RWQCB participated in meetings relative to the project and/or environmental impact report, reviewed the work proposal from the consultant and all administrative draft documents, and was listed as a cooperating agency in the draft and final environmental impact reports (EIR). The City handled all administrative procedures (e.g., contracting with the consultant, preparing and mailing required notices, etc.).

2600 Barrett Ave. P.O. Box 4046 Richmond California 94804 telephone: 510 620-6512

The purpose of this letter is to request the participation of the BAAQMD as a cooperating agency during the EIR process for the Chevron Refinery projects. As a cooperating agency the BAAQMD would participate in the same above noted manner as did the RWQCB for the previous Chevron project. If this agreement is satisfactory to BAAQMD, please have both copies of this letter signed and return a copy to Jim Farah, Planning Director, 2600 Barrett Avenue, Richmond, CA 94804, or respond in writing as to whether or not this agreement is acceptable.

Sincerely,

Lawrence M. Moore
City Manager

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cc: Members of the BAAQMD Board
Larry L. Long, Chevron U.S.A. Inc.
Harold Holmes, CARB
Leonard Whorton, Assistant City Manager

BAAQMD agrees to be a cooperating agency with the City of Richmond on the Chevron Richmond Refinery Projects relating to the 1995/1996 Federal and State clean air requirements.

Signature: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

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October 9, 1992

Mr. James Boyd
Executive Officer
Air Resources Board
Executive Offices
P.O. Box 2815
Sacramento, CA 95812

Dear Jim:

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you the October 7, 1992 response by the APCO to the request of the Mayor of Richmond, California pertaining to the Chevron Clean Fules Project. I wish to assure you that the District staff will provide all of the assistance that this agency can deliver to the City of Richmond, the lead agency, in the preparation of the EIR.

We intend to cooperate with the City of Richmond in our role as a responsible agency in the preparation of the Clean Fuels Project EIR.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Peter Hess
Deputy Air Pollution Control Officer

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Attachment

cc: Harold Holmes
Mike Kenny

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October 7, 1992

Hon. George L. Livingston
Mayor
City of Richmond
2600 Barrett Avenue
P.O. Box 4046
Richmond, CA 94804

RE: Chevron Clean Fuels Projects; CEQA

Dear Mayor Livingston:

Supervisor Eshoo, the Chair of the District's Board of Directors, has asked me to respond to your letter of October 1, 1992 regarding the District's role in the environmental review of Clean Fuels Projects at Chevron's Richmond Refinery.

I would like to assure you that the District remains willing to closely coordinate its permitting efforts on the Chevron Clean Fuels Projects with the CEQA review to be conducted by the City of Richmond

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misconceptions which your staff may have concerning the reasons why the District declined to be a "cooperating agency" in connection with this CEQA review.

I was surprised by your comment that "the District may issue its permits in advance of the City issuing a