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RESPONSE TO COMMENTS ON THE PRELIMINARY ENDANGERMENT ASSESSMENT AND THE RADIOLOGICAL CHARACTERIZATION OF DAYTON CANYON FOR THE CENTEX HOMES-STERLING PROPERTY AT VALLEY CIRCLE BOULEVARD AND ROSCOE BOULEVARD IN WEST HILLS, CALIFORNIA

Dear Interested Persons:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invited the general public to provide comments on the Preliminary Endangerment Assessment (PEA), the Radiological Characterization of Dayton Canyon, and the corresponding Risk Assessment for the Centex Homes-Sterling Homes property in West Hills, California, during the public comment period held from April 2, 2008 through April 30, 2008.

The enclosed Responses to Comments document provides a written response to all of the comments DTSC received during the comment period. Based on the information provided in the PEA, the Radiological Characterization, and the associated Risk Assessment, and following careful consideration of all public comments, DTSC has concluded that the investigative results do not indicate the presence of an existing threat to public health or the environment on the Centex property. Monitoring of surface water runoff from the SSFL toward Dayton Canyon will continue (the monitoring data are posted on DTSC's SSFL website at <http://www.dtsc-ssfl.com/>). If the monitoring data indicate significant releases of perchlorate or other contaminants toward the 106-acre Centex property, DTSC and/or the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board will take appropriate action. If any previously unidentified contamination is discovered on the property, further assessment, investigation, and/or cleanup may be required.

The PEA and Radiological Characterization documents have been approved by DTSC. If you would like to review the approved documents, they are available electronically at <http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/> (in the "City" entry field, type: "West Hills", click on "Get Report", then click on "[Report]" to the left of the "Centex-Sterling Homes". On the Centex – Sterling Homes home page, click on the "Community Involvement" box on the right side of the screen to view all uploaded documents).

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If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Ms. Yvette LaDuke,
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Sincerely,



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