MIDCOAST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

P.O. Box 64 Moss Beach CA 94038

March 1, 1994

Honorable Tom Huening President, San Mateo County Board of Supervisors County Government Center Redwood City, CA 94063

Dear Supervisor Huening:

The Montara/Moss Beach Fire District has requested the MidCoast Community Council to recommend that the County Board of Supervisors provide a qualified expert fire-flow witness to testify at a Public Utilities Commission hearing on May 10 and 11, 1994. This hearing is set to determine if Citizens Utilities, the water provider for Montara and Moss Beach, has provided adequate water storage for fire protection in this area.

The matter was discussed at the February 23, 1994 Council meeting, and it was agreed 5-0 that such a recommendation is appropriate at this time. The Fire District is unable, on such short notice, to pay for and expert witness from their budget. The water company has more than adequate representation.

In support of the efforts of Fire Chief Dave Eufusia to provide information to the PUC regarding industry standards in water storage for the areas which may be endangered by fire, we, the MidCoast Council members, would suggest that a county engineer or other qualified witness be made available to testify on behalf of the Fire District. Our concern is for the health and safety of residents, commercial establishments, and local hospital.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

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Copies: Hon: Ted Lempert Chief Dave Eufusia