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January 10, 2019

*VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL*

Birgitta E. Corsello  
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Dear Ms. Corsello:

At the December 13, 2018 meeting, several public speakers referred to e-mail messages between our office and SEMSC staff regarding Board member conflicts of interest. As we were not given an opportunity to publicly respond to those comments at the meeting, we respectfully request that this letter be read publicly at the January 10, 2019 meeting.

The sole purpose of our communications was to protect SEMSC and its Board, as well as the integrity of the procurement process, by ensuring staff were aware of the potential for conflicts of interest that might compromise the RFP process. We believed that a key part of our engagement was to advise SEMSC on conducting a proper procurement process and avoiding potential pitfalls, similar to what happened recently in neighboring Contra Costa County over conflicts of interest that could be viewed as similar to those which may be present in Solano County. Our communications with staff were motivated solely by a desire to help SEMSC avoid the considerable cost and delay, and potential for litigation, that could follow if potential conflicts of interest went unmitigated.

We would like to note that we see no problem with a fire chief and a city manager serving on the Board, and fully participating in the RFP process, so long as neither they nor their employer have a financial interest in the outcome of that process. The concerns we raised dealt only with the fact that current representatives may have such conflicts, but whether they do was not our call to make. We simply brought our concerns to staff's attention, which is exactly what we should have done.

In closing, we want to thank the Board for the opportunities it has given us to be of service to SEMSC over the years. We also thank SEMSC and County staff. They are truly outstanding professionals with whom it has been our privilege to work. We wish SEMC the best in completing this important process.

Birgitta E. Corsello  
January 10, 2019  
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Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Douglas M. Wolfberg". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "D" and a long, sweeping tail.

Douglas M. Wolfberg