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Honorable Jan Perry Chair, Energy and Environment Committee 200 N. Spring Street, Room 420 Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Clean Water (Wastewater) Program Rate Proposal, CF 10-1947

Dear Councilwoman Perry:

On behalf of the LAX Coastal Area Chamber of Commerce, representing over 550 businesses and over 25,000 area jobs, I am writing to show our support for the Clean Water (Wastewater) Program Rate Proposal, CF 10-1947. This program is vital for the creation of a well-functioning wastewater collection and treatment system, which is long overdue.

This investment, which will be funded from the future rates, will help ensure that the sewer connection moratoriums, which served as a barrier to businesses in the past, will not return. The ten year proposal is a long-term investment in the infrastructure of our City and not a piece-meal, short-term plan.

We must continue to invest in our aging infrastructure. This program is a positive step towards keeping our communities/beaches protected, creating more green jobs and better serving our Angelenos.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Woodley Chairman of the Board

Cc: C. Zaldivar, Director, Bureau of Sanitation Adel H. Hagekhalil, Assistant Director, Bureau of Sanitation