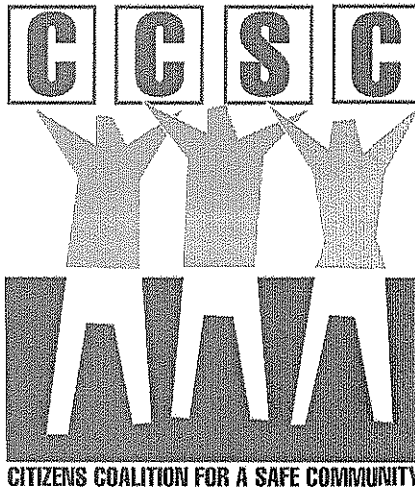


4



To the City of Los Angeles City Council,

Public Safety Committee

Re: CF 13-0542 & CF 13-0568

The Citizens Coalition for a Safe Community is very concerned with (CF13-0568) the recent explosion and fires (SoCal Gas) in Playa Del Rey (Jan. 2013) we are also concerned about (CF13-0542) the continuing gas migration in the Miracle Mile District with several large development projects proposed in this area as well as the Purple Line we have concerns about historical risks of methane intrusion at explosive levels into this neighborhood. We would like the Committee to task the LAFD to investigate both of these incidents.

Until the reasons for the gas migration, explosions and fires are know there will continue to be warranted concern by the public.

We want to see the Public Methane Task Force used as purposed for the protection of the health and safety of residents of Los Angeles. We would like to see the Los Angeles Fire Department work together with civilian members of the task force, members of the public and independent groups with expertise.

Sincerely,

Paul V. Ferrazzi

Citizens Coalition for A Safe Community

Date: 6-28-13
 Submitted in PS Committee
 Council File No: 13-0568
 Item No.: 4
 Deputy: [Signature]

June 27, 2013

James O'Sullivan

907 Masselin Ave.

Los Angeles CA, 90036

213-840-0246

Jamesos@aol.com

To the City of Los Angeles City Council, Energy and Environment Committee

Re: CF 13-0542 & *13-0568*

The Miracle Mile Residential Association is very concerned with Methane issues. We would like the Committee to task the LAFD to investigate the incident mentioned in CF 13-0542. With several large projects proposed in the Miracle Mile as well as the Purple Line we have concerns about Methane intrusion into the neighborhood. We are also concerned about the recent explosion and fires (SoCal Gas) in Playa Del Rey (Jan. 2013) and believe that the LAFD should investigate this issues and report back to the Committee in 60 days. Until the reasons for the explosions and fires are know there will be unnecessary concern by the public. We will wonder if we are next.

We would also like to see the Public Methane Task Force reconstituted in a way that is meaningful to the residents of Los Angeles, for the LAFD to work with civilian members of the task force, members of the public and independent groups who have Oil/Gas expertise.

There can never be too much safety or too much oversight.

Sincerely:

James O'Sullivan

President, Miracle Mile Residential Association

Gail N. Jackson, MD
7763 Veragua Drive
Playa Del Rey CA 90293

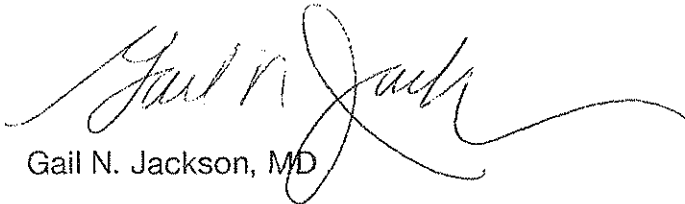
RE: incident of January 6, 2013

6/26/13

Dear Sir/Madam

I am very concerned about the short and long term sequel following the explosion in the gas field below my home. The release of the underground contaminants left a residue over my windows and property. I am not satisfied with merely the wipe down of my property. As a physician, I am concerned about the long-term effect of the exposure to the contaminants to my family, my pets and myself. I am concerned about the effects of the remaining residues to my health. I insist on full disclosure regarding the explosion of January 6, 2013 AND what steps are being taken to insure the safety of the residents of the Playa Del Rey bluffs.

Sincerely yours,



Gail N. Jackson, MD

June 27, 2013

RE: Incident of January 6, 2013

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are residents at 7811 Veragua Drive, located above the Sempra Gas Company storage facility. As a result of the explosion and fire on January 6, 2013, our property incurred significant damage due to splattering of a black oily substance that landed everywhere. We needed significant clean up of our stone work, deck, stucco, swimming pool and pool equipment, outdoor furniture, vehicles parked in front of our house, landscape plants and more. The Gas Company employed a haz-mat clean-up company to mop up some of the visible damage caused by the oily substance but it did not restore our property to its pre-explosion condition. We are also extremely concerned about the long-term health effects to ourselves, our family, our pets, and to the wildlife of the Ballona Valley caused by the airborne particles and residue left behind.

Furthermore, following the January explosion and subsequent re-start of operations, the Gas Company's noise abatement methods were disrupted and to date the noise level in our home through our closed, double-paned windows is extremely loud, much more so than prior to the incident. The high-pitched screeching and loud humming and grinding noises running day and night have caused our family to have many nights of disrupted sleep.

We insist that the Gas Company be vigilantly monitored and in compliance with strict regulations to protect the health, safety and well-being of the local residents and wildlife, or otherwise cease all operations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark and Suanne Santoro". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mark and Suanne Santoro
7811 Veragua Drive
Playa Del Rey, CA 90293

J. Joseph Hewett, M.D.
Terri Davis
7779 Veragua Drive
Playa del Rey, CA 90293

June 27, 2013

Los Angeles County
Public Safety Committee

Re: Sempra Energy – Explosion January 6, 2013

Dear Councilmembers;

As residents of Playa del Rey and the bluffs overlooking the Sempra Energy natural gas storage facility in Playa del Rey, we are extremely concerned with the on-going activities at the plant. Not only are we concerned with the underground explosion that occurred on January 6, 2013 and resulting aftermath, but also with Sempra Energy's failure to comply with the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance and their application to use the property, that was approved on April 7, 1955. They are currently failing to comply with many of the requirements as stated in the attached correspondence from the City of Los Angeles, dated April 8, 1955.

We request that the Public Safety Committee review the obligations as set forth by the City of Los Angeles, investigate Sempra's failure to comply and ensure conformity with all of these requirements.

Sincerely,



J. Joseph Hewett



Terri Davis

Attachment

Grassroots Coalition
For Disclosure of Health and Safety Issues

4

Patricia McPherson, *President*
3749 Greenwood Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90066
Phone/Fax 310-397-5779

JUNE 28, 2013

To the City of Los Angeles City Council, Energy and Environment Committee

Re: CF 13-05 ~~42~~ 68

Grassroots Coalition has serious concerns pertaining to oilfield gas issues including Methane issues. We would like the Committee to task the LAFD to investigate the incident at issue in CF-1305 ~~42~~. We have concerns about the recent -Jan. 1, 2013 explosion and fires at the Playa del Rey Oilfield, SoCalGas oil/gas high pressure storage operations and believe that the LAFD should investigate these issues and report back to the Committee in 60 days. Until the reasons for the explosions and fires are known, there will be undue concern and fear of further potentially hazardous episodes within the surrounding communities.

We would also like to see the Public Methane Task Force (CF -01-1305) reconstituted in a way that is meaningful to the residents of Los Angeles, for the LAFD to work with the public members of the task force and independent groups who have oil/gas expertise.

Background-

Grassroots Coalition (GC) has a lengthy history of cooperative work with the City of Los Angeles associated with oilfield gas safety measures and monitoring—including but not limited to being instrumental in the creation of the Public Methane Task Force, the Citywide Methane Code and the Playa Vista Methane Protection Detection and Monitoring Program.

Sincerely,



Patricia McPherson

President- Grassroots Coalition



SIERRA
CLUB

FOUNDED 1892

Angeles Chapter
Airport Marina Regional Group
3435 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. ~~320~~ 660
Los Angeles, CA 90010

Public Safety Committee
Los Angeles City Council
200 No. Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

June 28, 2013

RE: Agenda Item 4
File No. 13-0568, CD 11

To the City Council of Los Angeles and the Public Safety Committee:

The Sierra Club is very concerned with methane issues. We have heard complaints from citizens for a number of years about this issue.

We would like the Committee to task the LAFD to investigate the incident in CF 13-0568. We are concerned about this recent explosion and fire (SoCalGas) in Playa Del Rey in January 2013. We think that the LAFD should investigate this issue and report back to the Committee in 60 days. We need to know the reason for the explosion and fire.

We also support the Public Methane Task Force reconstituted and regular meetings held with public participation, and for the LAFD to work with civilian members of the task force and with independent oil and gas experts.

Thank you for your consideration to this very important safety issue.

Sincerely,

Kathy Knight, Conservation Chair
Airport Marina Group
(310) 450-5961

June 28, 2013

4

Public Safety Committee

DRAFT Resolution

The Public Safety Committee requests that the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) conduct an investigation of the 6th January 2013 uncontrolled releases and related explosion(s) and fire/flaring of hydrocarbon gases from the Southern California Gas Co.'s facilities at Playa Del Rey.

The LAFD shall coordinate with surrounding neighborhood associations and organization to assure public participation and comprehensive information base.

The central goal for the investigation is to reduce the risk of the situation occurring again in the future and that first responders shall be protected and informed as to threats and risks from entry of such facilities.

The Committee requests that the LAFD report back to the committee within 60 days regarding the initial findings and future directions of such investigation.

Dr. Tom Williams
323-528-9682
ctwilliams2012@yahoo.com

June 28, 2013

Public Safety Committee

DRAFT Resolution

The Public Safety Committee requests that the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) conduct an investigation of the 6th January 2013 uncontrolled releases and related explosion(s) and fire/flaring of hydrocarbon gases from the Southern California Gas Co.'s facilities at Playa Del Rey.

The LAFD shall coordinate with surrounding neighborhood associations and organization to assure public participation and comprehensive information base.

The central goal for the investigation is to reduce the risk of the situation occurring again in the future and that first responders shall be protected and informed as to threats and risks from entry of such facilities.

The Committee requests that the LAFD report back to the committee within 60 days regarding the initial findings and future directions of such investigation.

**Dr. Tom Williams
323-528-9682
ctwilliams2012@yahoo.com**