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Summary: Venice NC Community Impact Statement in Support of CF-0756

## COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Venice Neighborhood Council (VNC) requests that the following statement of “Support” be attached to Council file 17-0756: Playa Del Rey/8141 Gulana Avenue/Natural Gas Storage Facility Operations/ Compliance Regulations.

The Venice Neighborhood Council support “CF 17-0756: Playa Del Rey/8141 Gulana Avenue/Natural Gas Storage Facility Operations/Compliance Regulations” for the positive impacts that an investigation and thorough site review of all equipment, wells and permitting will have upon the Venice community:

1. The Natural Gas Storage facility in question was converted to this purpose in 1955 and although this is its primary use, it continues to produce oil which was its original purpose.
2. There is a public safety hazard due to the combustible nature of methane gas associated with petroleum deposits and storage facilities of this nature.
3. There is a public safety hazard dating to a February 22, 2017 Order to Comply issued to the Storage Facility operator, Southern California Gas, related to hillside erosion near residential property.
4. The Natural Gas Storage facility in question in Playa Del Rey is similar in age, history and structure as the Aliso Canyon Natural Gas Storage facility which in 2015 was responsible for the largest methane gas leak in history.
5. The explosion at the Aliso Canyon facility and subsequent leaking of methane gas into the Porter Ranch community is a documented example of the massive potential danger that a similar incident would present to the Venice community in terms of residents’ health, both public and private property, local business activity and overall negative environmental impact on our coast.