## Attachment Q **SCAQMD Letter**





## South Coast Air Quality Management District

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Iddo Benzeevi, President and CEO Highland Fairview 14225 Corporate Way Moreno Valley, CA 92553

Re: World Logistics Center

Dear Mr. Benzeevi,

Thank you for reaching out regarding the World Logistics Center project in Moreno Valley.

As you are aware, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board has always been committed to using future funds from the 2016 settlement towards projects that will result in air quality improvements for those most affected by emissions related to the World Logistics Center, in particular by prioritizing projects that reduce exposure in the local community.

To date, South Coast AQMD has not received any funding from the settlement and we do not anticipate receiving any funds until your ongoing litigation with other parties has been resolved, construction has occurred, and certificates of occupancy are issued. Once construction begins, we estimate that funding will be received in small increments - perhaps \$1 to \$2 million annually over about a 15-year period. Because air quality improvement projects can be costly (for example one zero emission truck could cost \$150,000 more than an equivalent diesel truck), solicitations for air quality improvement projects are not anticipated until sufficient funding is received. Once the first increment of funding is received, South Coast AQMD will ensure that there is an open public process and will work with local residents, community groups, and other stakeholders to identify priorities and provide direct feedback on proposed air quality improvement projects before solicitations are issued and projects are selected.

As no funds are in place and no specific projects have been proposed, South Coast AQMD and the Governing Board cannot commit that settlement funds will go towards air quality improvement projects implemented within the World Logistics Center site. However, as stated previously, we intend to prioritize projects that benefit the surrounding communities most impacted by the project. Note that the use of the settlement funds for any proposed projects will be reviewed and approved by the Governing Board on a case-by-case basis.

Iddo Benzeevi Highland Fairview -2-

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Again, South Coast AQMD and the Governing Board look forward to investing settlement funds in projects that will improve air quality and reduce emissions in areas affected by the World Logistics Center.

Sincerely,

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Wayne Nastri Executive Officer

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