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Dear Mr. Conway,

I recently received your request regarding the preparation of a Water Supply Assessment (WSA) for the El Segundo Energy Center (ESEC) power plant project located in El Segundo. Although we understand that the project is subject to the CEQA process, the City has determined that it does not meet the definition of "project" according to California Water Code §10912(a) which would require preparation of a Water Supply Assessment. Specifically:

- In considering the "equivalent" usage for 500 residential dwelling units [Water Code §10912(a)(7)]: The average residential dwelling unit in El Segundo uses approximately 13 units of water per month. The "equivalent usage" for 500 residential dwellings in El Segundo would be $13 \times 500 = 6500$ units/mo., or 78,000 units per year. A unit is 100 ft^3 . This consumption total is approximately 179 ac-ft per year. The anticipated 141 ac-ft annual usage anticipated by ESEC falls below this threshold.
- In consideration of §10912(b), although El Segundo has less than 5000 water service connections, the ESEC project will not increase that amount by more than 10%.

If you feel that our determination is inconsistent with the California Water Code definition of a "project," please contact me directly for further discussion and clarification.

Warm Regards,

Stephanie Katsouleas, P.E.
Director of Public Works