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December 14, 2001

AGENDA: January 8, 2002

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
County of Santa Cruz
701 Ocean Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

SUBJECT: Special District Audits

Dear Members of the Board:

Government Code Section 26909 grants your Board the authority to allow special districts to replace their annual audits with five-year audits. Board Resolution 1B-85 allows special districts to submit requests for multi-year audits to the County Auditor-Controller, who will review the request and recommend action to the Board. Your Board has previously approved several such requests.

Place de Mer Geologic Hazard Abatement District has submitted a request to our office for a change to five-year audits. The District agrees to maintain auditable records and submit them to the Auditor-Controller if requested. Our review indicates this change can be made without loss of accountability.

IT IS THEREFORE RECOMMENDED that your Board:

Approve the request of the Place de Mer Geologic Hazard Abatement District to establish a five-year audit rather than an annual audit.

Very truly yours,,

GARY A. KNUTSON
Auditor-Controller

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Attachment

cc: CAO, County Counsel
Auditor-Controller
Place de Mer Geologic Hazard Abatement District

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October 21, 2001

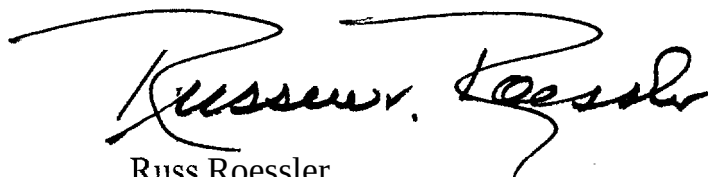
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Mr. Knutson:

The Place de Mer Geologic Hazard Abatement District Board of Directors has unanimously adopted a resolution requesting the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors to approve a change from annual to five year audits. In addition to this resolution, we want to give you the following assurances:

1. The Place de Mer Geologic Hazard Abatement District's estimated additional financing sources for fiscal year 2001/02 are less than \$50,000.
2. The Place de Mer Geologic Hazard Abatement District will maintain complete and accurate records and documentation; comply with applicable fiscal laws, accounting standards, and regulations; and will organize and retain its records for the appropriate audit period.
3. The Place de Mer Geologic Hazard Abatement District will during interim years, if requested, submit its records to the County Auditor-Controller for review to insure that auditable records are being maintained.

Yours truly,



Russ Roessler
President, Board of Directors
Place de Mer Geologic Hazard
Abatement District

Enclosures:
Resolution No. 1-01
Financial Statement June 30, 2000 and 1999

BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE PLACE DE MER GEOLOGIC HAZARD ABATEMENT DISTRICT
COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Resolution No. 1-01

On motion of Director Murray
Duly seconded by Director Sharpe
The following resolution is adopted.

RESOLUTION TO CHANGE DISTRICT AUDIT FROM ANNUAL TO FIVE YEAR:

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Place de Mer Geologic Hazard Abatement District wishes to request that the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors consider, pursuant to Government Code Section 26909 and Board Resolution 1B-85, amending the audit requirement of the District; and

WHEREAS, the District's estimated additional financing sources for fiscal year 2001/02 are less than \$50,000; and

WHEREAS, this financing amount makes possible the adoption of a five year audit program which will result in a cost savings to the District, with no loss of accountability.

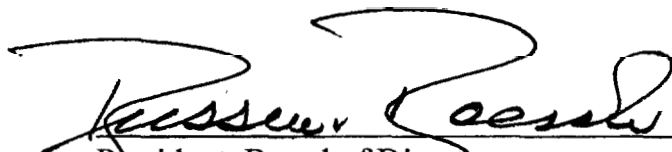
THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Place de Mer Geologic Hazard Abatement District requests of the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors that the audit requirement of the Place de Mer Geologic Hazard Abatement District be set on a five year basis.

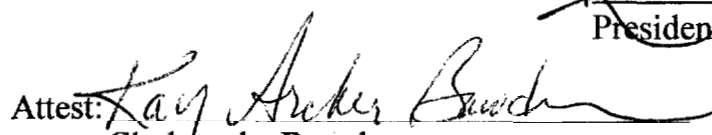
PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Directors of the Place De Mer Geologic Hazard Abatement District, County of Santa **Cruz**, State of California, at their regular meeting, on the 20* day of October 2001 by the following vote:

AYES: Honnors, Murray, Roessler, Sharpe, Toolan

NOES: none

ABSENT: none


President, Board of Directors

Attest: 
Clerk to the Board