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Commissioner Mike Brown
California Highway Patrol
PO Box 942898
Sacramento, CA 94298-0001

Dear Commissioner Brown:

On behalf of the Monterey Regional Waste Management District and its Litter Abatement Task Force convened in 2006, we would like to sincerely thank the California Highway Patrol (CHP) for the significant role that it has played this year in reducing highway litter in western Monterey County though its vigilant enforcement of state laws regarding proper tarping of vehicle loads.

The CHP has closely monitored vehicles entering the District's Monterey Peninsula Landfill and Recycling Facility, and issued a large number of citations to drivers whose vehicles failed to meet legal requirements. As a result of CHP's diligent and cooperative efforts, along with the District's stepped-up enforcement of tarping policy, and the efforts of other local public agencies and private companies, we have witnessed a significant decrease in the amount of litter and other refuse on roadways and highways in our area.

In addition, Captain Pat Camara was a valued participant in our local efforts and in our Stop Monterey County Litter media event last summer. He has been extremely proactive in responding to reports of litter from motor vehicles that we received via our www.keepmontereycountyclean.org website.

As we review this past year, all of us at the District are grateful for the support we have received from the California Highway Patrol. We thank you for your assistance and look forward to continued cooperation and success in 2007.

Sincerely,

Dan Albert, Chair
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cc: Captain Pat Camara

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Mr. Will Kempton
CalTrans Director
PO Box 942873
Sacramento, CA 94273-0001

Dear Director Kempton:

On behalf of the Monterey Regional Waste Management District and its Litter Abatement Task Force convened in 2006, we would like to sincerely thank CalTrans for the significant role that it has played this year in reducing highway litter in western Monterey County through its Adopt-A-Highway program and cooperative work with our local Task Force.

Given the severity of litter state-wide, and the many challenges CalTrans staff face to combat this problem, we are especially grateful to your District 5 staff for their ongoing support. Last July, we convened a media event to call attention to the problem of litter on the Monterey Peninsula. CalTrans staff Richard Krumholz, Pete Munzel, Reed Russell, and Jeanette Green worked closely with us to coordinate this event and create a large backdrop of orange litter bags which resulted in a front page story in our local paper. On behalf of CalTrans, Mr. Krumholz's remarks were well received.

As we review this past year, all of us at the District are grateful for the support we have received from your Department. We look forward to working cooperatively with CalTrans staff, other public agencies and the private sector to promote litter reduction and monitor the success of our programs in the New Year. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Dan Albert, Chair
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cc: Rich Krumholz
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