

Maricopa County Air Quality Department

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December 9, 2008

Kelly Barr Salt River Project Mail Station PAB221 P.O. Box 52025 Phoenix, AZ 85072-2025

RE: Disposition of Air Monitoring Plan required pursuant Condition 19 of the CEC for the Santan Expansion Project

Dear Ms. Barr:

Thank you for the opportunity for our staff to review and comment on the Air Quality Monitoring Program Report for May 2003 – July 2007 that was prepared for the Santan Expansion Project by SRP's consultant, VSI.

As a result of our review, MCAQD believes that SRP has fulfilled its Air Monitoring Plan that was originally provided to and approved by MCAQD in October 2002, pursuant to Condition 19 of the CEC for the Santan Expansion Project. We agree with SRP's consultant's conclusion in the report that a comparison of the results of the pollutants monitored indicated very little variation between expansion (construction) of the new generating units and commercial operation and that a comparison of annual data from the Gilbert site with annual data collected by MCAQD indicate that ambient concentrations of the Gilbert site were either below or at the low to mid-level range when compared to concentrations obtained at MCAQD sites. Therefore, MCAQD believes the report's findings are representative of air quality in the vicinity of the Gilbert Air Quality Station.

Based on the report's findings, MCAQD believes the Gilbert Air Quality Station has served its purpose and is no longer needed, allowing for the removal/demobilization of the station. While SRP has offered the station to MCAQD for integration into the County's ambient air monitoring network, MCAQD declines SRP's offer as we have adequate monitoring sites in the general vicinity.

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Air Quality Department.

Sincerely,

Lawrence D. Odle, Director

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