



May 18, 2012

Erinn Briggs, Program Manager  
County of Santa Barbara  
123 East Anapamu  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Dear Mr. Briggs:

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code (HSC) section 34177 (l) (2) (C), the County of Santa Barbara Successor Agency (SA) submitted Recognized Obligation Payment Schedules (ROPS) to the California Department of Finance (Finance) for the period January through June 2012 (first) and July through December 2012 (second) on April 13, 2012 and May 4, 2012, respectively.

Finance provided a letter dated April 26, 2012 summarizing the results of our review of the first ROPS. The letter listed a few items determined not to be enforceable obligations (EO). On May 4, 2012, Finance received the second ROPS and started its review. On May 10, 2012, Finance received a response letter from the SA with additional documents.

HSC section 34171 (d) lists (EO) characteristics. Based on our reconsideration of the first ROPS and review of the second ROPS, the following does not qualify as EO listed on both ROPS:

Page 2, item 1 for \$1.2 million are contracts between the County and a third party and not the former Redevelopment Agency.

As authorized by HSC section 34179 (h), Finance is returning your ROPSs for reconsideration. This action will cause the ROPS item noted above to be ineffective until Finance approval. Furthermore, items listed on future ROPS will be subject to review and may be denied as EOs.

If you believe we have reached this conclusion in error, please provide evidence the item above meets the definition of an EO and submit to [Redevelopment\\_Administration@dof.ca.gov](mailto:Redevelopment_Administration@dof.ca.gov)

Finance may continue to review items on the ROPS in addition to those mentioned above and identify additional issues. We will provide separate notice if we are requesting further modifications to the ROPS. It is our intent to provide an approval notice with regard to each ROPS prior to the June 1 property tax distribution date.

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Please direct inquiries to Robert Scott or Jenny DeAngelis at (916) 322-2985.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mark Hill".

MARK HILL  
Program Budget Manager

cc: Mr. Robert W. Geis, CPA, Auditor-Controller, County of Santa Barbara