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Dear Jim,

As you know, the Council adopted a 6-month moratorium on rural industrial land uses near the Cedar River in November 2017. The moratorium required a study to be completed and that report was transmitted to the Council earlier this year.

On March 14, 2018, I received a letter from King County Water District No. 90, which states that the proposed Lakeside Industries Asphalt Plant is within the 10-year recharge area for the District's wellfield. Their letter identifies a potential for well contamination, which could take place 10 years into the future, and could lead the district to need to purchase water from Seattle Public Utilities at a cost of \$500,000 per year.

On April 3, 2018, the District passed a resolution strongly objecting to industrial activities within the District's wellfield recharge area. The resolution requests that King County permanently ban or otherwise limit industrial use along the Cedar River and requests the Council to take action. The District strongly opposes industrial activities that could cause harm to the District's public water supply and their wellfield.

The study prepared by the Department of Permitting and Environmental Review and transmitted to the Council does not adequately address the concerns raised by this letter and resolution, including the potential impacts of contamination from this type of use on the District's wellfield.

Because the existing moratorium expires in May, I'm asking you to immediately respond to the concerns raised by the District, and provide a supplemental study to the Council that specifically addresses their concerns. In particular, the supplemental study should describe whether and how the District's concerns will be addressed through the permitting process and should identify any code changes

necessary to ensure the District's concerns are addressed. If necessary, an extension to the moratorium should be transmitted to the Council while this additional review is underway.

Thank you for your timely attention to this matter.

Best Regards,

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