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Hinkley, CA 92347

RE: Release of Domestic Well Quality Data to USGS for Background Study

Dear Resident:

The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), in cooperation with the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board, is doing a study to determine the occurrence of natural and man made hexavalent chromium (Cr VI) and to estimate naturally-occurring background Cr VI concentrations in groundwater at Hinkley. The Hinkley Community Advisory Committee (CAC), composed of Hinkley residents, and the Independent Review Panel (IRP) are advisors for the study. Details of the study are available on-line at <http://ca.water.usgs.gov/projects/hinkley/index.html>.

With your permission, over the last several years PG&E has sampled water from your well and analyzed the water for a variety of constituents. PG&E cannot share water-quality data from your well without your permission. Data collected by PG&E may be useful to the USGS study. If you agree by signing below, PG&E will make data collected from your well available to the USGS. The USGS will use the data for the background study, but will not release the data to other agencies or to the public.

Should you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact either me at rsanchez@projectnavigator.com (714- 388-1821) or hkavak@projectnavigator.com. If you prefer a local contact please contact CAC Member Daron Banks at daronbanks@aol.com. Please return this signed letter in the enclosed envelope.

Thank you,

Raudel Sanchez, Ph.D.
IRP Manager Staff

cc

John Izbicki Ph.D., USGS

___ PG&E may release water-quality data collected from my well (s) to the U.S. Geological Survey for the background study.

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Hinkley Resident