July 23, 2012

Ken Alex, Director
Governor's Office of Planning and Research
State of California
1400 Tenth Street
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Dear Mr. Alex:

On June 29, 2012, you informed me that Governor Brown has determined that the Apple 2 Campus project, in the City of Cupertino, is eligible for streamlined judicial review under the Jobs and Economic Improvement Act of 2011 (AB 900).

AB 900 was intended encourage California’s economic recovery by providing a streamlined CEQA review process for construction projects that qualify as an environmental leadership development project (ELDP) and will make a substantial financial investment within our state, create new high wage and highly skilled jobs, and will not result in any net additional greenhouse gas emissions.

In addition to meeting the criteria described above, the Apple 2 Campus is a commercial project located on an in-fill site, is designed to be LEED Silver certified and will achieve a 10% greater standard for transportation efficiency than comparable projects.

Based on the information you have provided, and a subsequent review by the Legislative Analyst’s Office, the Apple 2 Campus project will be of economic and environmental benefit to our state and its local community. I concur with the Governor’s determination that the project meets the criteria set forth in PRC 21178 et seq.

Sincerely,

Mark Leno
Chair

cc: Members of the Joint Legislative Budget Committee