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Ken Alex, Director Governor's Office of Planning and Research State of California 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 Dear Mr. Alex:

On July 27, 2017, you informed me that Governor Brown has determined that the Yucca Argyle project in the City of Los Angeles is eligible for streamlined judicial review under Chapter 354 of 2011 (AB 900, Buchanan).

Assembly Bill 900 was intended to encourage California's economic recovery by providing a streamlined California Environmental Quality Act review process for construction projects that qualify as environmental leadership development projects (ELDPs). Among other requirements, ELDPs must make substantial financial investments within our state, create new high wage and highly skilled jobs, and not result in any net additional greenhouse gas emissions, as determined by the California Air Resources Board.

Based on the information you have provided, and a subsequent review by the Legislative Analyst's Office, I concur with the Governor's determination that the project meets the AB 900 criteria set forth in Public Resources Code section 21178 et seg.

Sincerely,

Holly J. Mitchell

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cc: Members of the Joint Legislative Budget Committee