CONTRA COSTA COUNTY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS COMMISSION



January 27, 2014

To: Internal Operations Committee

From: Michael Kent, Executive Assistant to the Hazardous Materials Commission

Re: Appointment recommendations to the Hazardous Materials Commission

The Hazardous Materials Commission was established in 1986 to advise the Board, County staff and the mayor's council members, and staffs of the cities within the County, on issues related to the development, approval and administration of the County Hazardous Waste Management Plan. Specifically, the Board charged the Commission with drafting a hazardous materials storage and transportation plan and ordinance, coordinating the implementation of the hazardous materials release response plan and inventory program, and to analyze and develop recommendations regarding hazardous materials issues with consideration to broad public input, and report back to the Board on Board referrals.

The bylaws of the Commission provide that the Environmental Seat #1 and Environmental Seat #1 Alternate be nominated and appointed by the Board of Supervisors. The term for the Environmental Seat #1 held by Ralph Sattler expired on December 31, 2013. The Environmental Seat #1 Alternate position is currently vacant. The Commission recommends that the Board of Supervisors re-appoint Ralph Sattler to the Environmental Seat #1. The Commission also recommends that the Board of Supervisors transfer the current Environmental Engineer Alternate, Ed Morales, into the vacant Environmental Seat #1 Alternate seat, and declare the Environmental Engineer Alternate seat vacant. Letters of nomination for Ralph Sattler and Ed Morales from Communities for a Safe Environment and their applications are attached. Both terms will expire on December 31, 2017. Materials advertising these open seats are attached.

The bylaws of the Commission provide that the Environmental Engineer Seat be nominated and appointed by the Board of Supervisors. The Environmental Engineer Seat held by George Smith expired on December 31, 2013. The Commission recommends that the Board of Supervisors reappoint George Smith to the Environmental Engineer Seat. This term will expire on December 31, 2017. His application is attached. Materials advertising this open seat are attached.

The bylaws of the Commission provide that the Business Seat #1 be nominated by the West County Council of Industries and appointed by the Board of Supervisors. This seat, with a term ending December 31, 2014, was vacated by a Board Order dated January 21, 2014 and posted by the Clerk of the Board for 10 days. The West County Council of Industries nominated Fred Glueck to fill the vacant Business Seat #1. His application and letter of nomination are attached.