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Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Proposed ENV-2017-2051: 1525 West Colorado Boulevard

South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) staff appreciates the opportunity to comment on the above-mentioned document. The following comments are meant as guidance for the Lead Agency and should be incorporated into the Final MND.

The Lead Agency proposes to demolish an existing 2,254-square-foot automotive repair building, and construct six residential units and 1,016 square feet of commercial uses on 9,461.4 square feet (Proposed Project). The Proposed Project is located on the northeast corner of Dahlia Drive and Colorado Boulevard in the community of Northeast Los Angeles.

Since the building proposed for demolition has been used for automotive repair, it is recommended that the Lead Agency consult with South Coast AQMD's Engineering and Permitting staff to determine if any change, such as termination or modification, to an existing permit from South Coast AQMD is required, and if compliance with applicable South Coast AQMD rules are required and should be discussed in the Air Quality Section of the Final MND. Questions on permits and applicable South Coast AQMD rules can be directed to South Coast AQMD's Engineering and Permitting staff at (909) 396-3385. For more general information on permits, please visit South Coast AQMD's webpage at: <http://www.aqmd.gov/home/permits>.

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15074, prior to approving the Proposed Project, the Lead Agency shall consider the MND for adoption together with any comments received during the public review process. Please provide South Coast AQMD with written responses to all comments contained herein prior to the adoption of the Final MND. When responding to issues raised in the comments, response should provide sufficient details giving reasons why specific comments and suggestions are not accepted. There should be good faith, reasoned analysis in response. Conclusory statements unsupported by factual information do not facilitate the purpose and goal of CEQA on public disclosure and are not meaningful, informative, or useful to decision makers and the public who are interested in the Proposed Project. South Coast AQMD staff is available to work with the Lead Agency to address any air quality questions that may arise from this comment letter. Please contact Alina Mullins, Assistant Air Quality Specialist, at amullins@aqmd.gov or (909) 396-2402, should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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