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Darlene Burkleo, Chair
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District Board
P.O. Box 85
Monterey, CA 93942-0085

Subject: Expansion of the Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula (CHOMP)

Dear Darlene:

As you know, CHOMP is proposing a significant expansion of their hospital facility in the City of Monterey. This project is currently being reviewed by the City of Monterey and an Environmental Impact Report has been required. One of the outstanding issues is water usage for this proposal.

As you are aware, Ordinance 84 had set aside a special community reserve water allocation in the amount of 16 acre feet to be used exclusively for CHOMP. This Ordinance has now been rescinded. However, the City of Monterey would request that you allocate 16 acre feet for the CHOMP project from a special community reserve, either from the Pebble Beach reclamation project or some other source.

There are two key points for this request:

1. This expansion project will serve and benefit the entire Monterey Peninsula region; and,
2. An Environmental Impact Report is being completed on this project which will analyze any significant environmental impacts of this proposed expansion.

We sincerely hope that the Water Management District will support this request at your earliest convenience, preferably at your December meeting.

Sincerely,

Dan Albert
Mayor

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City Council

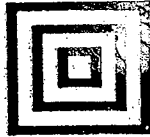
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Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula

December 12, 1996

Board of Directors
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District
187 Eldorado Street
Monterey, California 93940

Dear Members of the Board:

Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula appreciates the consideration given by the Board, the County, and the cities of the Monterey Peninsula allotting 16 acre feet as a special community reserve water allocation for Community Hospital in Ordinance 84 for our planned expansion and upgrading of the hospital facilities.

Community Hospital does not wish or intend to enter any debate with respect to the Board's decision on whether to repeal Ordinance 84. That is a matter for the Board's judgment based on the Board's familiarity with all relevant considerations with respect to that ordinance, and we are not in a position to shed any light on that subject.

Should the Board decide to repeal Ordinance 84, we do ask that the Board consider initiating a separate process to allocate 16 acre feet of water to Community Hospital as a special community reserve allocation. Our mission has always been, and will continue to be, to serve the healthcare needs of the residents of the greater Monterey Peninsula, which is regional in nature and transcends the boundaries of any single city. Our expansion project, which has now received approval from the Monterey City Planning Commission and is scheduled to be heard by the Monterey City Council in January 1997, is intended to meet the needs of the community into the next century in a changing environment of delivery of healthcare services. Specifically, after detailed studies over the last two years, we have identified in particular the need to modernize and expand services in the areas of cancer, heart and stroke patient care, and to upgrade our facilities to current standards and technologies in terms of intensive care, emergency services and surgery. We want to keep pace with the healthcare needs of the Monterey Peninsula Region, and our expansion plans are considered an essential element in this mission.

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Community Hospital will be pleased to work with staff and provide whatever information may be necessary for the District to consider our request for this special community reserve allocation.

Sincerely,

COMMUNITY HOSPITAL OF
THE MONTEREY PENINSULA



Jay Hudson
President/CEO



January 23, 1997

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Richard Ely, Chair
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District
P.O. Box 85
Monterey, CA 93942

Re: Expansion of the Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula
(CHOMP)

Dear Chair Ely:

At its January 21, 1997 meeting, the Monterey City Council certified the Final EIR and approved CHOMP's proposed expansion, subject to an appropriate water allocation among other conditions. As the Water Management District has previously discussed, this expansion of CHOMP will serve and benefit the entire Monterey Peninsula region. Therefore, we would urge the Water Management District to work with CHOMP expeditiously in determining the amount of water that can be achieved through CHOMP's proposed retrofitting program and on providing a regional allocation for CHOMP to the extent that there may still be a gap between the retrofitting and other water credits and the projected water usage.

We therefore support the request of CHOMP to the Water Management District for a regional allocation to cover the amount of water needed that is beyond CHOMP's ability to provide through retrofitting and other water credits. We understand that CHOMP is currently estimating this potential gap to be five acre feet.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Dan Albert
Mayor

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cc: City Council
City Manager
Community Development Director
Darby Fuerst, General Manager
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District