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Dear AQMD Hearing Board Members,

I'm a 21 year resident of El Segundo who is asking you to please not rescind the Orders of Abatement as they have yet to comply. Hyperion hasn't been in full compliance of the abatement orders since they were ordered by this vary board. Whether it's not returning requested phone calls or their failure to provide the requested report of findings within 96 hours of the filing, they are out of compliance. Every interruption of our lives by overwhelming odors is met with the same poor excuses used for 3 years and counting and that includes a habit of late notices of maintenance to the residents. Everything is planned maintenance but without proper notice. I have not once in 3 years ever been contacted by a single Hyperion/LASAN representative when they claim to be inspecting outside my residence.

Since the onset of the raw sewage spill due to the negligent act by Hyperion, I have written to you, participated by commenting in every AQMD hearing and have been sworn in to give testimony in January of this year by this board. I have also given sworn testimony before LA City Counsel in support of Councilwoman Hahn's investigation into the initial breakdown of processes, I have spoken before El Segundo City Council and I've attended every community meeting between residents and Hyperion as well as the city forum with Assemblymember Muratsuchi. This doesn't include all the other agencies and Government officials I've reached out to for help. Three years later, I'm so exhausted.

The burden placed upon residents to report Hyperion's stench is quite frankly a time suck for all. In this process we only have 4 of 7 days a week that are even investigated by AQMD inspectors because they aren't available Saturday through Monday. Therefore NOV's aren't even a possibility to be issued 3 out of 7 days and Hyperion gets to violate free from inspection for those 3 days when more families are likely to be at home trying to enjoy their homes. Families are giving up any hope of ever having our air quality to return to normal and therefore they no longer file and feel defeated. Hyperion representatives stake their claim of declining complaints on it - this isn't even a close representation of what we experience on an on-going basis.

Hyperion relies upon the decades old permits for H2S of 30 ppb amortized over an hours period. This also doesn't accurately reflect what odors we are smelling the most. Many days the smell of raw sewage overpowers the smell of rotten eggs (H2S) and that isn't something captured by monitors; it gives Hyperion the opportunity to exploit the numbers and perceive them as low. If you think a 1 ppb of H2S doesn't stink, think again. Toss in the ProSweet to mask odors, the burning smell of flaming sewage, bleach and it is a continued assault. The nightly 3 am wake up calls are particularly brutal and consistent. One would assume that 3 years in we wouldn't still be suffering the physical symptoms leading to PCP visits and Urgent Care too.

Attached you will find the supporting documentation of each Report Of Findings I have received since 1/26/2024 through 7/26/2024. In that time frame I filed 110 odor complaints with AQMD of which 47 odor complaints were also filed on Hyperion Hot Line.

Of the 47 odor complaints filed with Hyperion, they have failed to return a single phone call. Of the 47 filings, 16 of those they have failed to return the Report of Findings in compliance of the 96 hr. requirement under the Abatement Orders. That breaks down to 13 reports missing all together and 3 exceeding the required time frame. That's a 34% failure rate to just one residence. It is worthy to note these are requested via email and not via US Mail. That should be easy.

On 6/27/2024 It is important to note I filed a complaint with AQMD but not Hyperion because I was forced to flee my residence immediately after calling to avoid the non stop vomiting and rising odors. When I left my residence just after 2 pm the readings were already at 9.1 in the Central and rising - by 6 pm that number had risen to 31 ppb. Hyperion later adjusted that number to 27 to avoid a NOV. Today, Hyperion has the audacity to further adjust that number down to 1.4 ppb!! Beyond insulting.

The missing or late dates of my filings are as follows:

01/31/2024 Missing
02/13/2024 Missing
02/16/2024 Missing
03/02/2024 Missing
5/24/2024 Late
6/28//2024 Late
7/9/2024 Missing
7/10/2024 Missing
7/12/2024 Late
7/16/2024 Missing
7/18/2024 Missing
7/19/2024 Missing
7/20/2024 Missing
7/23/2024 Missing
7/24/2024 Missing
7/26/2024 Missing

It is my fervent hope that this Hearing Board will not lift the Abatement Orders and impose even stricter additional orders to hold them accountable. Enough is enough was 2 years ago.

Sincerely,
A sleepless resident in El Segundo

Tamara Kcehowski

DATE	TIME	REQUEST CALL BACK WRITTEN REPORT	CALL BACK YES	NO	WRITTEN REPORT RECD	AQMD INFO PROVIDED	AQMD #
1/26/2024	5:28 PM	YES		X	2/9/2024	NO	372340
1/29/2024	12:29 AM					NO	372411
1/30/2024	11:40 AM	YES		X	2/9/2024	NO	372579
2/13/2024	8:00 PM	YES		X		NO	373799
2/14/2024	5:10 PM	YES		X	3/5/2024	NO	373953
2/15/2024	2:15 PM	YES		X		NO	374115
2/16/2024	2:54 PM	YES		X		NO	374572
2/17/2024	3:38 PM	YES		X		NO	374743
2/18/2024	5:00 PM	YES		X		NO	37906
2/20/2024	9:14 PM	YES		X	2/27/2024	NO	375141
2/22/2024	9:40 PM	YES		X	2/27/2024	NO	375415
2/23/2024	3:24 PM	YES		X	3/5/2024	NO	375536
2/24/2024	1:40 PM	YES		X		NO	375634
2/25/2024	4:30 PM	YES		X		NO	375754
2/29/2024	8:50 PM	YES		X	3/10/2024	NO	376625
3/2/2024	8:10 PM	YES		X		NO	376818
3/3/2024	8:48 PM	YES		X	3/9/2024	NO	376903
3/4/2024					3/10/2024		376993
3/5/2024	10:15 PM	YES		X		NO	376993
3/7/2024					3/14/2024		
3/8/2024	7:20 PM	YES		X		NO	377578
4/16/2024	8:30 AM						381481
4/16/2024	10:25 PM						381633
4/21/2024	12:21 PM						382269
5/1/2024	7:00 PM						383608
5/3/2024	8:45 PM						383810
5/14/2024	9:10 PM						384902
5/16/2024	12:01 PM						385096
5/18/2024	9:45 PM						385219
5/20/2024	8:25 PM						385350
5/22/2024	4:24 PM						385596
5/23/2024	10:10 PM						385708
5/26/2024	12:51 PM						358791
5/28/2024	8:35 PM						385962
5/29/2024	5:05 PM						386141
5/30/2024	10:00 PM						
6/3/2024	8:00 PM						386628
6/4/2024	10:05 PM						386646
6/4/2024	11:00 AM						386189
6/4/2024	3:30 PM						386851
6/10/2024	9:57 AM						387653
6/10/2024	7:55 PM						388012
6/12/2024	10:30 PM						388308
6/13/2024	10:55 PM						389615
6/26/2024	8:45 PM						389753
6/27/2024	5:30 PM						389886
7/1/2024	7:15 PM						