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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

May 19, 2017

The Honorable Salud Carbajal
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Carbajal:

I have sent the enclosed letters on behalf of the County of Santa Barbara to members of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies in support of adequate funding for EPA's State and Local Air Quality programs in the FY 2018 *Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations* bill.

The Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District is tasked with protecting the people and environment of Santa Barbara and its eight incorporated cities from the impacts of air pollution. EPA's State and Local Air Quality programs - specifically, the Section 103 & 105 programs - help provide the District with resources to perform basic air pollution control activities, including monitoring air quality, developing and planning control options, permitting and inspecting sources, enforcing laws and regulations, and educating the public.

Please urge your colleagues who serve on the subcommittee to fund EPA's Section 103 & 105 State and Local Air Quality programs at the highest level possible in the FY 2018 *Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations* bill. I thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas P. Walters
Washington Representative

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