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Rod Spackman  
Manager Policy, Government & Public Affairs  
Chevron El Segundo Refinery  
324 W. El Segundo Blvd.  
El Segundo, CA 90245

RE: Chevron Property along N. Gaffey St., San Pedro

Dear M. Spackman,

The Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council (NWSPNC) is one of 96 councils established pursuant to the Charter of the City of Los Angeles to represent approximately 20,000 stakeholders. We wish to bring to your attention an opportunity to establish goodwill in our community consistent with your "company's values...to provide...energy responsibly while protecting the environment and...strengthen{ing} communities".

In 2002, our Council applied for and received a designation of China Shipping Mitigation Funds from the Port of Los Angeles to beautify the east side of North Gaffey from Westmont south, and continuing along the railroad tracks under the Harbor Freeway to the corner of Channel Street and John S. Gibson Boulevard. A portion of this property belongs to Chevron.

You may recall our previous correspondence concerning Phase One of the North Gaffey Street Beautification Project and Chevron's participation in it. The first phase, along the Gaffey from Westmont to Gatun, was completed several years ago. At that time an agreement was made between Chevron and the Port of Los Angeles that enabled the planting of grass over Chevron's portion of the property.

Phase Two of the Project, Gatun to the corner of Channel and John S. Gibson, is now ready to move forward. It also is designed to beautify a portion of land covering your pipeline. The attached map shows the project area and the 16.5-foot wide strip that is owned by Chevron.

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We understand that the Port approached Chevron about including your portion in the overall landscaping plan and suggested three possible options, the most expensive of which was \$89,700 if the Port performed the work. . If Chevron does the work it would undoubtedly be cheaper. Probably a cheaper option yet would be for Chevron to contract with the Los Angeles Conservation Corps to do the work. That option would have the added advantage of providing job training to at-risk youth and could be done through a grant to the Corps as part of your corporate commitment to improve the environment and help communities where you work.

The NWSPNC respectfully requests that in the vein of good community relations, Chevron landscape, or have landscaped, their property in a manner similar to that being done by the Port of Los Angeles on their adjacent railroad right-of-way. This is a project that is near and dear to our community as it beautifies an unsightly strip of dirt. Among other things, the area has been occupied for the last several years by transient encampments that are not only unsightly, but dangerous. In turn, the Council will provide opportunities for Chevron to be recognized for its generosity, including a thank you in our newsletter that gets mailed directly to 9,000 households and distributed at a variety of locations in our community.

We thank you in advance for giving serious consideration to this request. Please contact Diana Nave, Chair of our Planning and Land Use Committee, at 310-831-1975 or 310-930-0217 to discuss this further.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Regalado". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Ray Regalado, President

Cc: Joe Buscaino  
David Roberts  
Augie Bezmalinovich

