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25	TECHNOLOGY; 5G FREE CALIFORNIA; and CHILDREN'S HEALTH DEFENSE,	DECLARATORY AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF			
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ANSWER

Defendants and Respondents County of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, County of Los Angeles Regional Planning Commission, County of Los Angeles Department of Regional Planning, and County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works (collectively, the "County" or "Respondents") hereby answer the First Amended Verified Petition for Writ of Mandate and Complaint for Declaratory and Injunctive Relief ("Petition") filed on March 7, 2023 by Plaintiffs and Petitioners Fiber First Los Angeles, Mothers of East LA, Union Binacional De Organizaciones De Trabajadores Mexicanos Exbraceros 1942-1964, Boyle Heights Community Partners, United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma, California Fires & Firefighters, Malibu for Safe Tech, EMF Safety Network, Californians for Safe Technology, 5G Free California, and Children's Health Defense (collectively, "Petitioners"). The County answers the Petition as follows:

INTRODUCTION

- 1. Answering Paragraph 1, the County answers that this paragraph characterizes the contents of the Petition, which speaks for itself, and no further answer is required. Further answering the allegations in Paragraph 1, the County answers that this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the administrative record certified in the above-captioned action (the "Record"), which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent Paragraph 1 contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 2. Answering Paragraph 2, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize County Ordinance No. 2023-0001 ("Ordinance") and CEQA, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.

- 3. Answering Paragraph 3, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 4. Answering Paragraph 4, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 5. Answering Paragraph 5, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 6. Answering Paragraph 6, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 7. Answering Paragraph 7, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 8. Answering Paragraph 8, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the

extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.

- 9. Answering Paragraph 9, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 10. Answering Paragraph 10, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.

PARTIES

- 11. Answering Paragraph 11, the County answers that it lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations contained therein, and basing its denial on this ground, generally and specifically denies each and every allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 12. Answering Paragraph 12, the County answers that it lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations contained therein, and basing its denial on this ground, generally and specifically denies each and every allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 13. Answering Paragraph 13, the County answers that it lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations contained therein, and basing its denial on this ground, generally and specifically denies each and every allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 14. Answering Paragraph 14, the County answers that it lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations contained therein, and basing its denial on this ground, generally and specifically denies each and every allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 15. Answering Paragraph 15, the County answers that it lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations contained therein, and basing its denial on this ground, generally and specifically denies each and every allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 16. Answering Paragraph 16, the County answers that it lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations contained therein, and basing its denial on this ground,

generally and specifically denies each and every allegation contained within this paragraph.

- 17. Answering Paragraph 17, the County answers that it lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations contained therein, and basing its denial on this ground, generally and specifically denies each and every allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 18. Answering Paragraph 18, the County answers that it lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations contained therein, and basing its denial on this ground, generally and specifically denies each and every allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 19. Answering Paragraph 19, the County answers that it lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations contained therein, and basing its denial on this ground, generally and specifically denies each and every allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 20. Answering Paragraph 20, the County answers that it lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations contained therein, and basing its denial on this ground, generally and specifically denies each and every allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 21. Answering the allegations in Paragraph 21, the County answers that it lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations contained therein, and basing its denial on this ground, generally and specifically denies each and every allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 22. Answering Paragraph 22, the County answers that this paragraph characterizes the contents of the Petition, which speaks for itself, and no further answer is required. To the extent Paragraph 22 contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 23. Answering Paragraph 23, the County admits that the County is a public agency, and that the Project is within the "jurisdictional limits" of the County. Answering Sentence 2 of Paragraph 23, the County further answers that this sentence contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent Paragraph 23 contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.

- 24. Answering Paragraph 24, the County admits that the Board of Supervisors is an elected legislative and decision-making body in the County. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. The County further answers that this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the Record, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent Paragraph 24 contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph. Except as expressly admitted, the County answers that it lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations contained therein, and basing its denial on this ground, generally and specifically denies each and every allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 25. Answering Paragraph 25, the County admits that the County of Los Angeles Regional Planning Commission is a body established by the County, and that the County of Los Angeles Department of Regional Planning and County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works are departments of the County. The County answers that this paragraph also contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. Except as expressly admitted, the County answers that it lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations contained therein, and basing its denial on this ground, generally and specifically denies each and every allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 26. Answering Paragraph 26, the County answers that this paragraph characterizes the contents of the Petition, which speaks for itself, and no further answer is required. To the extent Paragraph 26 contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 27. Answering Paragraph 27, the County answers that this paragraph characterizes the contents of the Petition, which speaks for itself, and no further answer is required. To the extent Paragraph 27 contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 28. Answering Paragraph 28, the County answers that this paragraph characterizes the contents of the Petition, which speaks for itself, and no further answer is required. To the extent

Paragraph 28 contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph..

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 29. Answering Paragraph 29, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 30. Answering Paragraph 30, the County admits that the Project Site lies entirely within the County of Los Angeles. The County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County; however, the County does not dispute that venue is proper in the County of Los Angeles. Except as expressly admitted, the County generally and specifically denies each and every other allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 31. Answering Paragraph 31, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 32. Answering Paragraph 32, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 33. Answering Paragraph 33, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 34. Answering Paragraph 34, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the

extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.

- 35. Answering Paragraph 35, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 36. Answering Paragraph 36, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 37. Answering Paragraph 37, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 38. Answering Paragraph 38, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.

STATUTORY BACKGROUND

The California Environmental Quality Act

- 39. Answering Paragraph 39, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 40. Answering Paragraph 40, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent

this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.

- 41. Answering Paragraph 41, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 42. Answering Paragraph 42, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 43. Answering Paragraph 43, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 44. Answering Paragraph 44, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA, the State CEQA Guidelines, and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 45. Answering Paragraph 45, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further

response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 46. Answering Paragraph 46, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 47. Answering Paragraph 47, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA, the State CEQA Guidelines, and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 48. Answering Paragraph 48, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA, the State CEQA Guidelines, and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

Exemptions from CEQA Environmental Review

49. Answering Paragraph 49, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this

paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 50. Answering Paragraph 50, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 51. Answering Paragraph 51, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 52. Answering Paragraph 52, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA, the State CEQA Guidelines, and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 53. Answering Paragraph 53, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 54. Answering Paragraph 54, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA, the State CEQA Guidelines, and case law, which speak for themselves, and

no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 55. Answering Paragraph 55, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 56. Answering Paragraph 56, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 57. Answering Paragraph 57, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 58. Answering Paragraph 58, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 59. Answering Paragraph 59, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 60. Answering Paragraph 60 of the Petition, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 61. Answering Paragraph 61, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 62. Answering Paragraph 62, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 63. Answering Paragraph 63, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph

includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 64. Answering Paragraph 64, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 65. Answering Paragraph 65, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 66. Answering Paragraph 66, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA, the State CEQA Guidelines, and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 67. Answering Paragraph 67, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA, the State CEQA Guidelines, and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 68. Answering Paragraph 68, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA, the State CEQA Guidelines, and case law, which speak for themselves, and

no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

Class 1 and Class 3 Categorical Exemptions

- 69. Answering Paragraph 69, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County.
- 70. Answering Paragraph 70, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County.

Exceptions to Categorical Exemptions

- 71. Answering Paragraph 71, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 72. Answering Paragraph 72, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 73. Answering Paragraph 73, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further

response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

74. Answering Paragraph 74, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

Planning & Zoning Law and Los Angeles County Code: General Plan Consistency

- 75. Answering Paragraph 75, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize Cal. Government Code 65000 *et seq*. ("Planning and Zoning Law") and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 76. Answering Paragraph 76, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Planning and Zoning Law and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 77. Answering Paragraph 77, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Planning and Zoning Law and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the

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- 78. Answering Paragraph 78, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Planning and Zoning Law and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 79. Answering Paragraph 79, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Planning and Zoning Law and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 80. Answering Paragraph 80, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Planning and Zoning Law and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 81. Answering Paragraph 81, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Los Angeles County Code ("County Code") and the Los Angeles County General Plan 2035 ("County General Plan"), which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 82. Answering Paragraph 82, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the County Code and the County General Plan, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 83. Answering Paragraph 83, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Planning and Zoning Law and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

State Law Requirements: Colocation of Wireless Facilities

- 84. Answering Paragraph 84, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize Cal. Government Code 65850.6 ("State Colocation Law"), which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 85. Answering Paragraph 85, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the State Colocation Law, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 86. Answering Paragraph 86, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the State Colocation Law, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and

conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

County of Los Angeles Legislative Land Use and Zoning Process

- 87. Answering Paragraph 87, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Planning and Zoning Law, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 88. Answering Paragraph 88, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Planning and Zoning Law, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 89. Answering Paragraph 89, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Planning and Zoning Law, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 90. Answering Paragraph 90, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Planning and Zoning Law, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 91. Answering Paragraph 91, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Planning and Zoning Law, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 92. Answering Paragraph 92, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the County Code, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 93. Answering Paragraph 93, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the County Code, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 94. Answering Paragraph 94, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the County Code, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 95. Answering Paragraph 95, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the County Code, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional

allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

Unlawful Precommitment and Prejudicial Effect of Designating Actions as Ministerial, Including under CEQA

- 96. Answering Paragraph 96, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 97. Answering Paragraph 97, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 98. Answering Paragraph 98, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 99. Answering Paragraph 99, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize California law and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

100. Answering Paragraph 100, the County answers that this paragraph purports to
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denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

101. Answering Paragraph 101, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize California law and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

Constitutional and Statutory Due Process

- 102. Answering Paragraph 102, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the U.S. Constitution and the California Constitution, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 103. Answering Paragraph 103, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the U.S. Constitution, the California Constitution, and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 104. Answering Paragraph 104, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize California law, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The

County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

105. Answering Paragraph 105, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the U.S. Constitution, the California Constitution, and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

106. Answering Paragraph 106, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the U.S. Constitution, the California Constitution, and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

Unlawful Delegation of Legislative Power to Non-Elected Decisionmakers, Including Under CEQA

107. Answering Paragraph 107, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize California law, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

108. Answering Paragraph 108, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize California law, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The

County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 109. Answering Paragraph 109, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize California law, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 110. Answering Paragraph 110, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize California law, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 111. Answering Paragraph 111, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize California law, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 112. Answering Paragraph 112, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize California law, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 113. Answering Paragraph 113, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize California law, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 114. Answering Paragraph 114, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 115. Answering Paragraph 115, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 116. Answering Paragraph 116, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 117. Answering Paragraph 117, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this

paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

118. Answering Paragraph 118, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Procedural History of Ordinance Approval

- 119. Answering Paragraph 119, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the County Code, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. Further answering the allegations in Paragraph 106, the County answers that this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the Record, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 120. Answering Paragraph 120, the County answers that this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the Record, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 121. Answering Paragraph 121, the County answers that this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the Record, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

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- 122. Answering Paragraph 122, the County answers that this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the Record, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 123. Answering Paragraph 123, the County answers that this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the Record, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 124. Answering Paragraph 124, the County answers that this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the Record, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 125. Answering Paragraph 125, the County answers that this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the Record, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 126. Answering Paragraph 126, the County answers that this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the Record, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 127. Answering Paragraph 127, the County answers that this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the Record, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the

County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 128. Answering Paragraph 128, the County answers that this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the Record, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 129. Answering Paragraph 129, the County answers that this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the Record, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 130. Answering Paragraph 130, the County answers that this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the Record, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 131. Answering Paragraph 131, the County answers that this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the Record, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

The Ordinance

132. Answering Paragraph 132, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains

allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.

- 133. Answering Paragraph 133, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 134. Answering Paragraph 134, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance and federal regulations in 47 C.F.R, section 1.6100 ("Federal EFR Regulations") incorporated into the Ordinance by reference, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 135. Answering Paragraph 135, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 136. Answering Paragraph 136, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.

- 137. Answering Paragraph 137, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.

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 - 138. Answering Paragraph 138, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
 - 139. Answering Paragraph 139, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
 - 140. Answering Paragraph 140, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
 - 141. Answering Paragraph 141, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains

allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.

- 142. Answering Paragraph 142, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 143. Answering Paragraph 143, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 144. Answering Paragraph 144, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 145. Answering Paragraph 145, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 146. Answering Paragraph 146, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The

County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.

- 147. Answering Paragraph 147, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 148. Answering Paragraph 135148, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 149. Answering Paragraph 149, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 150. Answering Paragraph 150, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.

- 151. Answering Paragraph 151, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.

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 - 152. Answering Paragraph 152, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
 - 153. Answering Paragraph 153, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
 - 154. Answering Paragraph 154, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
 - 155. Answering Paragraph 155, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains

allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.

- 156. Answering Paragraph 156, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 157. Answering Paragraph 157, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 158. Answering Paragraph 158, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.

Los Angeles County General Plan 2035

159. Answering Paragraph 159, the County answers that this paragraph purports to quote the General Plan, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. Moreover, this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the Record, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

160. Answering Paragraph 160, the County answers that this paragraph purports to				
quote the General Plan, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the exte				
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- 162. Answering Paragraph 162, the County answers that this paragraph purports to quote the General Plan, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 163. Answering Paragraph 163, the County answers that this paragraph purports to quote the General Plan, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 164. Answering Paragraph 164, the County answers that this paragraph purports to quote the General Plan, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 165. Answering Paragraph 165, the County answers that this paragraph purports to quote the General Plan, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

CLAIMS FOR RELIEF

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

(By Petitioners Against Respondents For Writ of Administrative Mandate Under CCP § 1094.5 and PRC §21168 Or in the Alternative CCP §1085 and PRC §21168.5 Re: Project Ineligibility for CEQA Exemptions)

166.	Answering Paragraph 166, the County incorporates Paragraphs 1 through 152 o
this Answer	as though set forth in full herein by this reference.

- 167. Answering Paragraph 167, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph contains allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained within this paragraph.
- 168. Answering Paragraph 168, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 169. Answering Paragraph 169, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 170. Answering Paragraph 170, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 171. Answering Paragraph 171, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this

paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 172. Answering Paragraph 172, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 173. Answering Paragraph 173, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 174. Answering Paragraph 174, the County answers that this Sentences 1 and 2 of this paragraph purport to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 175. Answering Paragraph 175, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

177. Answering Paragraph 177, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

(By Petitioners Against Respondents For Writ of Administrative Mandate Under CCP §1094.5 and PRC §21168 Or in the Alternative CCP § 1085 and PRC § 21168.5, Re: Violations of CEQA; Failure to Substantially Support Findings)

- 178. Answering Paragraph 178, the County incorporates Paragraphs 1 through 164 of this Answer as though set forth in full herein by this reference.
- 179. Answering Paragraph 179, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 180. Answering Paragraph 180, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. The County further answers that this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the Record,

which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 181. Answering Paragraph 181, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. The County further answers that this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the Record, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 182. Answering Paragraph 182, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes allegations that require additional response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

(By Petitioners Against Respondents For Writ of Administrative Mandate Under CCP §1094.5 Or in the Alternative CCP §1085, Re: Unlawful Colocation)

- 183. Answering Paragraph 183, the County incorporates Paragraphs 1 through 169 of this Answer as though set forth in full herein by this reference.
- 184. Answering Paragraph 184, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the State Colocation Law, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 185. Answering Paragraph 185, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, defined terms in federal wireless regulations in 47 C.F.R, section

1.6002-3 and in the Federal EFR Regulations incorporated into the Ordinance by reference, the State Colocation Law, CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 186. Answering Paragraph 186, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, the Federal EFR Regulations incorporated into the Ordinance by reference, and the State Colocation Law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 187. Answering Paragraph 187, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

- (By Petitioners Against Respondents For Writ of Administrative Mandate Under CCP §1094.5 Or in the Alternative CCP §1085, Re: General Plan Inconsistency)
- 188. Answering Paragraph 188, the County incorporates Paragraphs 1 through 174 of this Answer as though set forth in full herein by this reference.
- 189. Answering Paragraph 189, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 190. Answering Paragraph 190, the County answers that this paragraph purports to quote the General Plan and characterize the Ordinance, which speak for themselves, and no

further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. The County generally and specifically denies each and every other allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 191. Answering Paragraph 191, the County answers that this paragraph purports to quote the General Plan and characterize the Ordinance, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. The County generally and specifically denies each and every other allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 192. Answering Paragraph 192, the County answers that this paragraph purports to quote the General Plan and characterize the Ordinance, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. The County generally and specifically denies each and every other allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 193. Answering Paragraph 193, the County answers that this paragraph purports to quote the General Plan and characterize the Ordinance, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. The County generally and specifically denies each and every other allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 194. Answering Paragraph 194, the County answers that this paragraph purports to quote the General Plan and characterize the Ordinance, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. The County generally and specifically denies each and every other allegation contained in this paragraph.

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- 195. Answering Paragraph 195, the County answers that this paragraph purports to quote the General Plan and characterize the Ordinance, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. The County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 196. Answering Paragraph 196, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. The County generally and specifically denies each and every other allegation contained in this paragraph.

FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(By Petitioners Against Respondents For Writ of Administrative Mandate Under CCP §1094.5 Or in the Alternative CCP §1085, Re: County of Los Angeles Legislative Land Use & Zoning Process)

- 197. Answering Paragraph 197, the County incorporates Paragraphs 1 through 183 of this Answer as though set forth in full herein by this reference.
- 198. Answering Paragraph 198, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 199. Answering Paragraph 199, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 200. Answering Paragraph 200, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

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4	and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
5	202. Answering Paragraph 202, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal
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7	extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally
8	and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
9	203. Answering Paragraph 203, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal
10	theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County.
11	Moreover, this paragraph contains factual allegations that are addressed in the Record, which
12	speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes

204. Answering Paragraph 204, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

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and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(By Petitioners Against Respondents For Writ of Administrative Mandate Under CCP §1094.5 Or in the Alternative CCP § 1085, and Declaratory Relief Under CCP § 1060 Re: Improper and Prejudicial Blanket Designation of Permit Approval Process as Ministerial and Unlawful Precommitment to Future Approvals, Including Under CEOA)

- 205. Answering Paragraph 205, the County incorporates Paragraphs 1 through 191 of this Answer as though set forth in full herein by this reference.
- 206. Answering Paragraph 206, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this

paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 207. Answering Paragraph 207, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 208. Answering Paragraph 208, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 209. Answering Paragraph 209, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 210. Answering Paragraph 210, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 211. Answering Paragraph 211, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The

County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 212. Answering Paragraph 212, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 213. Answering Paragraph 213, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 214. Answering Paragraph 214, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 215. Answering Paragraph 215, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 216. Answering Paragraph 216, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 217. Answering Paragraph 217, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 218. Answering Paragraph 218, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize California law and case law as well as CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 219. Answering Paragraph 219, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize California law and case law as well as CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 220. Answering Paragraph 220, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, California law and case law as well as CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 221. Answering Paragraph 221, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize California law and case law as well as CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 222. Answering Paragraph 222, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize California law and case law as well as CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 223. Answering Paragraph 223, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 224. Answering Paragraph 224, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance as well as CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 225. Answering Paragraph 225, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance as well as California law and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 226. Answering Paragraph 226, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, California law and case law, and CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

- (By Petitioners Against Respondents For Writ of Administrative Mandate Under CCP §1094.5 and PRC § 21168 Or in the Alternative CCP § 1085 and PRC §21168.5; and Declaratory Relief Under CCP § 1060, Re: Constitutional Due Process Violations)
- 227. Answering Paragraph 227, the County incorporates Paragraphs 1 through 204 of this Answer as though set forth in full herein by this reference.
- 228. Answering Paragraph 228, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the U.S. Constitution, the California Constitution, and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph

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- 229. Answering Paragraph 229, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 230. Answering Paragraph 230, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 231. Answering Paragraph 231, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 232. Answering Paragraph 232, the County answers that is paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 233. Answering Paragraph 233, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, California law and case law, and CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which

require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 234. Answering Paragraph 234, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, the U.S. Constitution, defined terms in federal wireless regulations in 47 C.F.R, section 1.6002-3 and in the Federal EFR Regulations incorporated into the Ordinance by reference, and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 235. Answering Paragraph 235, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the U.S. Constitution and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 236. Answering Paragraph 236, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, U.S. Constitution, California law, and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 237. Answering Paragraph 237, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, California law, U.S. Constitution, and case law, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the

County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

EIGHTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(By Petitioners Against Respondents For Writ of Administrative Mandate Under CCP § 1094.5 or in the Alternative CCP § 1085, and Declaratory Relief Under CCP § 1060 Re: Unlawful Delegation of Legislative Authority to an Administrative Agency)

- 238. Answering Paragraph 238, the County incorporates Paragraphs 1 through 207 of this Answer as though set forth in full herein by this reference.
- 239. Answering Paragraph 239, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 240. Answering Paragraph 240, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize California law, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 241. Answering Paragraph 241, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 242. Answering Paragraph 242, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional

allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

- 243. Answering Paragraph 243, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 244. Answering Paragraph 244, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, which speaks for itself, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 245. Answering Paragraph 245, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance, CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, and the California Constitution which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent that this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 246. Answering Paragraph 246, the County answers this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

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- 247. Answering Paragraph 247, the County answers this paragraph purports to characterize CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response is required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.
- 248. Answering Paragraph 248, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance as well as CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response if required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contain in this paragraph.
- 249. Answering Paragraph 249, the County answers that this paragraph purports to characterize the Ordinance as well as CEQA and the State of CEQA Guidelines, which speak for themselves, and no further response if required. The County further answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contain in this paragraph.
- 250. Answering Paragraph 250, the County answers that this paragraph contains legal theory, argument, and conclusions of law, which require no response from the County. To the extent this paragraph includes additional allegations that require a response, the County generally and specifically denies each and every such allegation contained in this paragraph.

AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

251. The County asserts the following affirmative defenses against the claims raised by Petitioners. By asserting the following defenses, the County does not assume the burden of proof on any essential element of any of Petitioners' causes of action.

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FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(Exhaustion of Administrative Remedies)

252. Petitioners have not exhausted their administrative remedies, including issue exhaustion, as required by law, including without limitation, under the Public Resources Code (including Public Resources Code section 21177) and the Government Code. The County alleges that Petitioners did not present the alleged bases of Petitioners' causes of action to the County's decision-making bodies before the close of the public hearing before the close of the public hearing on the Project, as that term is defined in Paragraph 1 of the Petition.

SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(Statute of Limitations)

253. Petitioners are barred from maintaining this action by the applicable statutes of limitations including, but not limited to, the statutes of limitations set forth in Public Resources Code section 21167.

THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(Standing)

254. Petitioners lack standing to assert some or all of the claims set forth in the Petition.

FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(Failure to State a Cause of Action)

255. The Petition fails to state facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action.

FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(Public Interest Against Injunction)

256. Petitioner is barred from maintaining this action because the balancing of hardships and considerations of public interest mandate against issuance of an injunction.

SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

(No Prejudicial Error)

257. No prejudicial error has been shown by Petitioner. The County fully complied with CEQA and all relevant laws when it approved the Project, as that term is defined in Paragraph 1 of the Petition.

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1	SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
2	(There Is An Adequate Remedy At Law)	
3	258. Petitioner has an adequate remedy at law.	
4	EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
5	(Compliance with Applicable Laws)	
6	259. With respect to all actions and allegations in the Petition, the Respondents' actions	
7	complied with all applicable laws and all applicable statutory and regulatory requirements,	
8	including those set forth in the Government Code, Code of Civil Procedure, CEQA, the State	
9	CEQA Guidelines, the General Plan, and the County's General Plan.	
10	NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
11	(No Irreparable Harm)	
12	260. Petitioners have not experienced and will not experience irreparable harm, making	
13	injunctive relief improper. The County alleges that the project will not adversely impact the	
14	environment, and the project will not result in any irreparable harm.	
15	TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
16	(Ineligible for Attorneys' Fees)	
17	261. Any claim for attorneys' fees is barred because Petitioner does not meet and	
18	cannot fulfill the requirements of any doctrine allowing attorneys' fees.	
19	ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
20	(Mootness)	
21	262. The Petition is barred under the doctrine of mootness.	
22	TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
23	(Federal Preemption)	
24	263. The Petition fails to state facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action to the extent	
25	that it is based on claims that are preempted by federal law by operation of the Supremacy	
26	Clause, U.S. Const. Art. VI, cl. 2.	
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1	THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
2	(Ripeness)	
3	264. The Petition is barred under the doctrine of ripeness.	
4	FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
5	(Laches)	
6	265. The Petitioners' claims are barred, in whole or in part, by the doctrine of laches.	
7	FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
8	(Cannot Compel Unlawful Act or Violation of Duty)	
9	266. The writ of mandamus, if enforced, would compel an illegal act or a violation of	
10	duty by a public officer.	
11	SIXTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
12	(No Beneficial Right)	
13	267. Petitioners have no clear, present, and beneficial right to the relief sought.	
14	PRAYER FOR RELIEF	
15	WHEREFORE, the County denies that any relief for or on behalf of Petitioners is	
16	appropriate, and the County prays that:	
17	1. The Petition be dismissed in its entirety with prejudice;	
18	2. Petitioners' request for a writ of mandate be denied;	
19	3. All injunctive relief—including by way of a temporary stay, stay, temporary	
20	restraining order, preliminary injunction, and/or permanent injunction—be denied;	
21	4. Petitioners take nothing by way of the Petition, including attorney's fees or	
22	costs;	
23	5. Judgment be entered in favor of the County;	
24	6. The County recover its costs and attorneys' fees in this proceeding, as	
25	permitted by law; and	
26	7. The Court grant any such other relief as the Court may deem just and proper.	
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DEFENDANTS AND RESPONDENTS' ANSWER TO FIRST AMENDED VERIFIED PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDATE AND COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

PROOF OF SERVICE

At the time of service I was over 18 years of age and not a party to this action. My business address is 300 S. Grand Avenue, 25th Floor, Los Angles, California 90071. On December 5, 2023, I served the following document(s):

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Ц	By fax transmission. Based on an agreement of the parties to accept service by fax transmission, I faxed the documents to the persons at the fax numbers listed below. No error was reported by the fax machine that I used. A copy of the record of the fax transmission, which I printed out, is attached.	
	By United States mail. I enclosed the documents in a sealed envelope or packag addressed to the persons at the addresses listed below (specify one):	
	Deposited the sealed envelope with the United States Postal Service, with the postage fully prepaid.	
	Placed the envelope for collection and mailing, following our ordinary business practices. I am readily familiar with this business's practice for collecting and processing correspondence for mailing. On the same day that correspondence is placed for collection and mailing, it is deposited in the ordinary course of business with the United States Postal Service, in a sealed envelope with postage fully prepaid.	
	I am a resident or employed in the county where the mailing occurred. The envelope or package was placed in the mail at Riverside, California.	
	By personal service. At a.m./p.m., I personally delivered the documents to the persons at the addresses listed below. (1) For a party represented by an attorney, delivery was made to the attorney or at the attorney's office by leaving the documents in an envelope or package clearly labeled to identify the attorney being served with a receptionist or an Individual in charge of the office. (2) For a party, delivery was made to the party or by leaving the documents at the party's residence with some person not less than 18 years of age between the hours of eight in the morning and six in the evening.	
	By messenger service. I served the documents by placing them in an envelope or package addressed to the persons at the addresses listed below and providing them to a professional messenger service for service. A Declaration of Messenger is attached.	

1	By overnight delivery. I enclosed the documents in an envelope or package provided by an overnight delivery carrier and addressed to the persons at the	
2	addresses listed below. I placed the envelope or package for collection and overnight delivery at an office or a regularly utilized drop box of the overnight delivery carrier.	
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