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Commissioners
Attention: John Ainsworth, Deputy Director
California Coastal Commission
South Central Coast District
89 South California Street, Suite 200
Ventura, California 93001

**RE: CITY OF MALIBU LCP AMENDMENT NO. MAL-MAJ-3-07 JUNE 10 ITEM #16A
CITY OF MALIBU LCP AMENDMENT NO. MAL-MAJ-1-08 JUNE 10 ITEM #16B**

Dear Deputy Director Ainsworth:

On May 28, 2009, the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) – Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM) received several letters from the citizens residing in the area of concern requesting fire code interpretations on the above referenced items. The OSFM had not been aware nor had received current fire plan documents to review in regards to these issues. Therefore, we respectfully request a postponement on the above referenced agenda items scheduled for the California Coastal Commission, June 10, 2009 hearings to allow time to review the proposed project specifics for compliance with applicable fire safety requirements.

The State Fire Marshal has the obligation to enforce and regulate building and fire codes for occupancies state owned or occupied buildings. I am requesting that the California Coastal Commission postpone action on the above matter based on the OSFM's authority to review, comment, and approve projects of state ownership/occupancy as referenced. (Health and Safety Code §13145, §13146, §13108). Again, this will allow the OSFM the necessary time to evaluate the project, determine the impact of OSFM regulations, and provide a detailed response to the project applicant.

Thank you for your consideration and assistance. Should you have questions concerning this request, please contact Assistant State Fire Marshal Tonya L. Hoover at tonya.hoover@fire.ca.gov or by telephone at (916) 445-8200.

Sincerely,

KATE DARGAN
State Fire Marshal

cc: P. Michael Freeman, Fire Chief, Los Angeles County Fire Department
Ronald P. Schafer, Chair, Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy

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