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Chairperson Jim Friedman and Boardmembers
Ventura Regional Sanitation District
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Dear Chairperson Friedman and Boardmembers:

I am requesting that my name be removed from the letter dated February 16, 2021 sent to “Honorable Mayor Zaragoza and Members of the Oxnard City Council” by Ventura Regional Sanitation District (VRSD).

My reasons are as follows:

1) at the March 4, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. VRSD General Board Meeting my attempt to correct the minutes of the meeting of February 11, 2021 was rejected. This rejection led to an inaccurate and false representation of what actually transpired with respect to the direction to be followed in crafting the letter to the City of Oxnard and this Board’s approval of same. Please refer to the video recording to confirm the direction that was given and voted.

2) also of significant importance the February 19, 2021 letter from Waste Management to VRSD Chairperson Friedman and Board members was not delivered as sent to same until as Counsel Kwong stated/claimed when asked, on Tuesday. I assume prior to the Thursday March 4, 2021 General Board meeting; TO THIS DAY I HAVE YET TO RECEIVE THIS LETTER from Waste Management sent to the VRSD Board of which I am a Board member. I know of its existence having been cc’d a copy as a member of the Public Works and Transportation Committee for the City of Oxnard by Waste Management. Which led to my inquiry of VRSD staff & Chair why the full Board (myself being a member) had not received a copy of the letter. Only Chairperson Friedman replied saying “I don’t seem to have gotten that letter” on February 23, 2021.

Accordingly, I can not and do not support the contents of the letter dated February 16, 2021 sent by VRSD to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Oxnard.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bert E. Perello".

Bert E. Perello
VRSD Boardmember
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Cc: VRSD General Manager Theisen
VRSD Counsel Kwong
Clerk of the Board Juliet Rodriguez
Oxnard City Council, and Assistant City Attorney Paul Early

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