



September 9, 2011

Kathy Pons, President
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P.O. Box 95
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File Number: PLP11-0017
Project Name: Hamel Family Winery
Site Location: 15401 Highway 12, Sonoma
APN: 056-012-008

Dear Ms. Pons,

Thank you for copying me on your letter of September 9, 2011 to Karin Theriault, Project Planner for the County of Sonoma Permit & Resource Management Department. We also very much appreciate your well wishes on our family wine project. It is exciting for our family to be embarking on this project. In doing so, we have attempted in every instance and will continue to be thoughtful and responsible in our approach to the design. Further, we intend to be considerate neighbors, constructive community members, and attentive to the environment and natural beauty of our property.

We note your point regarding VOTMA's position and will make the appropriate change in the "Summary of Neighbor and Community Outreach" section of our Proposal Statement to reflect the clarification. We will add your letter to our files and have it available for review when we make our presentation to the SVCAC on September 28th, 2011. In the meantime, do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss this matter in further detail, have any other questions, or as the need arises.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John B. Hamel II". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" being the most prominent.

John B. Hamel II, Managing Director

Hamel Family Wines

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