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Mr. Lenny Siegel Executive Director Center for Public Environmental Oversight 278-A Hope Street Mountain View, California 94041

Dear Mr. Siegel:

It is a great honor and pleasure for me to recognize you as a recipient of the 2011 Citizen Excellence in Community Involvement Award. The Citizen Excellence in Community Involvement Award is given annually by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to recognize an individual or a community group working with a Superfund team for outstanding achievements in the field of environmental protection and demonstrating leadership in community involvement during the site cleanup process. The EPA commends you for your commitment and dedication to the Mountain View, California community that is affected by both the Naval Air Station Moffett Field Superfund site and the Middlefield-Ellis-Whisman Study Area.

You serve as a shining example for other communities faced with the challenges that come with having a hazardous waste site in their community. You demonstrate an outstanding ability to simplify complicated, technical and programmatic issues while encouraging active participation of all community members and respecting the diverse perspectives of all stakeholders. Your efforts to use a consensus and interest based approach while working to reach common ground and workable solutions is much appreciated and respected by the EPA. Again, I extend my sincere congratulations.

Sincerely,

Mathy Stanislaus

Assistant Administrator