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This letter is to affirm that Denali Water Solutions is operating as part of a critical infrastructure service. Water and wastewater services have been identified by the Department of Homeland Security and the California State Public Health Officer as critical infrastructure services whose operations are exempt from the statewide “stay at home” order issued by Governor Newsom on March 19th to mitigate the spread of Covid-19. The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) is a public agency which provides water and wastewater services. Denali Water Solutions is under contract to support the SFPUC with the provision of wastewater services.

The City of San Francisco’s wastewater treatment plants produce over 200 tons of biosolids every day as a part of the wastewater treatment process. Biosolids are nutrient rich solids that are treated and used as a fertilizer or a soil substitute for daily cover at landfills. There is no storage space at the City’s treatment plants for this material and biosolids must be transported daily to the sites which use the material as part of basic wastewater treatment operations.

Denali Water Solutions is providing biosolids transportation services to the SFPUC through a contract. Denali Water Solutions trucks in the service of SFPUC should not be impeded from performing their duties nor should the employees necessary to perform these transportation services be prevented from working. In the course of performing transportation services, all health and safety measures which can be followed to protect the public and the employees of Denali Water Solutions with regard to Covid-19, including social distancing, should be adhered to.

The continued operation of wastewater treatment facilities is a critical public service necessary for the health and safety of California. If you have any questions or require additional information, please call Ryan Batjiaka, at either 628-233-4807 or 415-519-3746. If unreachable, please contact Manon Fisher at 415-215-1347.

Thank you,

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