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November 10, 2004

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RE: Partial Revision of the DEIR  
Del Monte Forest PDP

Dear Mr. McCue:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Partial Revision of the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Pebble Beach Company's Del Monte Forest Preservation and Development Plan. Subsequent to our letter on the DEIR for the PDP dated March 19, 2004, MST had the opportunity to meet with representatives of the Pebble Beach Company (PBC) on several occasions to discuss concerns related to transit access to the property. We have been more than pleased with PBC's responsiveness and willingness to work with MST to explore ways of extending service into the Del Monte Forest. In particular, the hands-on efforts of PBC's Mark Verbonich and Mark Stilwell have been greatly appreciated.

As a result of this cooperative spirit, MST introduced the first ever regularly scheduled transit service into the Del Monte Forest on September 11, 2004. MST's Line 53 Monterey Peninsula-South County Express enables workers who live in the south Monterey County communities of King City, Greenfield, Soledad, Gonzales and Chualar to access jobs on the Monterey Peninsula, including those at the Inn at Spanish Bay and the Lodge at Pebble Beach. Along with PBC's human resources managers, we participated in a South County job fair on September 30, 2004, to further efforts of job accessibility on the Peninsula to underemployed residents in the area.

We are confident that this productive relationship will continue as development plans are realized in the Del Monte Forest. While funding issues will remain given current local governmental budget constraints, MST is committed to working with PBC to ensure that its current and future transit needs will be planned for and accommodated adequately. In that

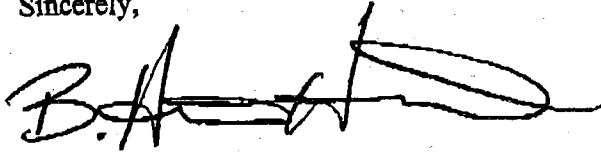
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regard, we look forward to participating with PBC in preparing and implementing an alternative transportation plan which includes public transit as indicated in Mitigation Measure F1 of the DEIR.

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If you have any questions regarding these matters, please contact me at 393-8129.

Sincerely,



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