



May 30, 2012

Teresa Binkley, Finance Director  
City of Taft  
209 East Kern Street  
Taft, CA 93238

Dear Ms. Binkley:

Subject: Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule Approval Letter

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code (HSC) section 34177 (l) (2) (C), the City of Taft Successor Agency was required to submit a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS) that has been approved by your oversight board to the California Department of Finance (Finance). Our records indicate that Finance has not received the ROPS for the July to December 2012 ROPS period to date.

Since all distributions from the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF) are required by law to be made on June 1, 2012 covering obligations for July 2012 through December 2012, as well as adjusting for property tax funding needs for the January 2012 through June 2012 period, there is no basis on which your agency can receive property tax revenue for that period. The law also provides that after July 1, 2012, no payments can be made without an approved ROPS. Therefore we urge you to adopt a ROPS as soon as possible to allow spending of existing reserves and other revenues available to you.

January to June 2012 Review Results

HSC section 34171 (d) lists enforceable obligation (EO) characteristics. Based on our application of the law, the following item does not qualify as an EO:

Line 3 for \$2.8 million is a loan from the City. HSC section 34171 (d) (2) states that agreements between the City and former redevelopment agency are not enforceable obligations. The denied amount of \$347,200 was deducted from the original agreement amount as it was found to be an enforceable obligation.

Sincerely,

MARK HILL  
Program Budget Manager

cc: Ms. Ann K. Barnett, Auditor-Controller, Kern County