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Ms. Lillian MacLeod Senior Planner El Dorado County 2850 Fairlane Court Placerville, CA 95667

Re: DR00-11/76Gas Station/Circle K Mini Mart Project Appeal Process - Report from FSSI Traffic Expert, Daniel T. Smith

Dear Ms. MacLeod.

We are continuing our best efforts to complete the filing of materials for the above project's Administrative Record prior to the August 4, 2009 hearing and this letter covers some very important information from our Traffic Expert, Daniel T. Smith.

This material requires that we present hard copy of figures submitted on behalf of the applicant as contained in the EIR and County staff reports. However, as I write this letter on Friday morning I still do not have the hard copy referred to in the following detail from Dan T. Smith. He writes:

These documents Figures 2.0-1, 2.0-2 and 2.0-4 (the missing figures from the EIR that were only made available at the Planning Commission meeting in May, 2009) and Exhibits E (Site Plan), J (Landscape Plan), and K (Sign Program) that have been incorporated in the record in the staff reports for the last several hearings of the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors in this matter.

The copy of Figure 2.0-4 is a transparency; the others are ordinary paper copies. The reason for the transparency follows.

As I examined Figures 2.0-1, 2.0-2 and 2.0-4, I noticed that there appeared to be a difference in the site layout between Figure 2.0-4 and the other two. This can best be seen by placing the transparency of Figure 2.0-4 over either of Figures 2.0-1 or 2.0-2, matching the overlay at the property line.

It becomes immediately evident that the locations of the fuel dispensers in Figure 2.0-4 are shifted about 20 feet north from their positions in Figures 2.0-1 and 2.0-2. The overlay also makes it evident that if the fuel dispenser locations shown on Figures 2.0-1 and 2.0-2 are

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correct, the fuel tanker depicted on Figure 2.0-4 cannot safely maneuver through the station. The overlay also makes evident that positioning of the driveway cuts on Figure 2.0-4 is substantially discrepant from what is shown on Figures 2.0-1 and 2.0-2.

The overlay can be used in another way. If one assumes that the dispenser positioning on Figure 2.0-4 is correct, slide the transparency of 2.0-4 over Figure 2.0-1 so that the figures match at the dispenser positions instead of at the property lines. This shows that the RV-trailer combination cannot make the maneuver indicated on Figure 2.0-1 without encroaching on the parking spaces and landscape island at the northwest corner of the mini-mart building as depicted on Figure 2.0-4.

The applicant cannot have the site plan both ways. Either the fuel tanker cannot safely make the necessary maneuvers or the RV-trailer combination cannot do so. But which depiction is correct? We placed the transparency of Figure 2.0-4 above the applicant's depictions of the site layout as per Site Plan, Landscape Plan and Sign Program that were included as Exhibits E, J and K of the County Staff Reports in this matter.

Although the transparency of Figure 2.0-4 is slightly different from Exhibits E, J and K, it is evident that the fuel dispenser placement on these exhibits all coincide with Figures 2.0-1 and 2.0.-2 not with 2.0-4.

This is a critical discrepancy which is more than just a technical flaw in the EIR. The fact that the fuel tanker cannot safely negotiate the actual site plan is a fatal flaw - a crucial public safety deficiency of the plan.

/s/ Daniel T. Smith
Daniel T. Smith, Smith Engineering & Management

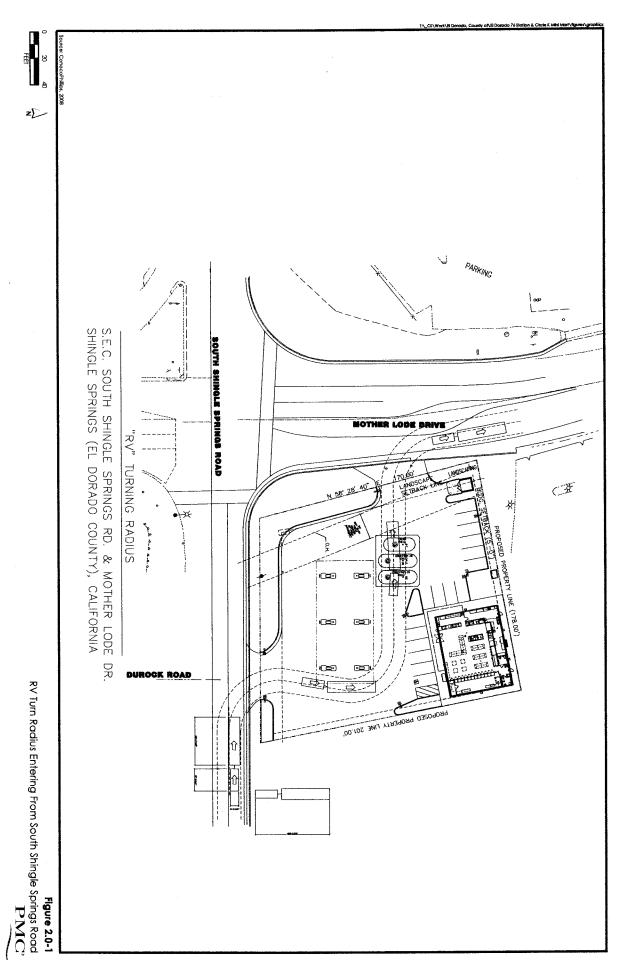
Dale Smith continuing on this subject. We have repeatedly raised issues and defects clearly on the County's position and materials with the comprehensive and detailed analyses provided by our traffic expert regarding all aspects of the present situation. So far they have been virtually ignored, with minimal effort to controvert the factual findings and legal assertions provided by Mr. Dan Smith.

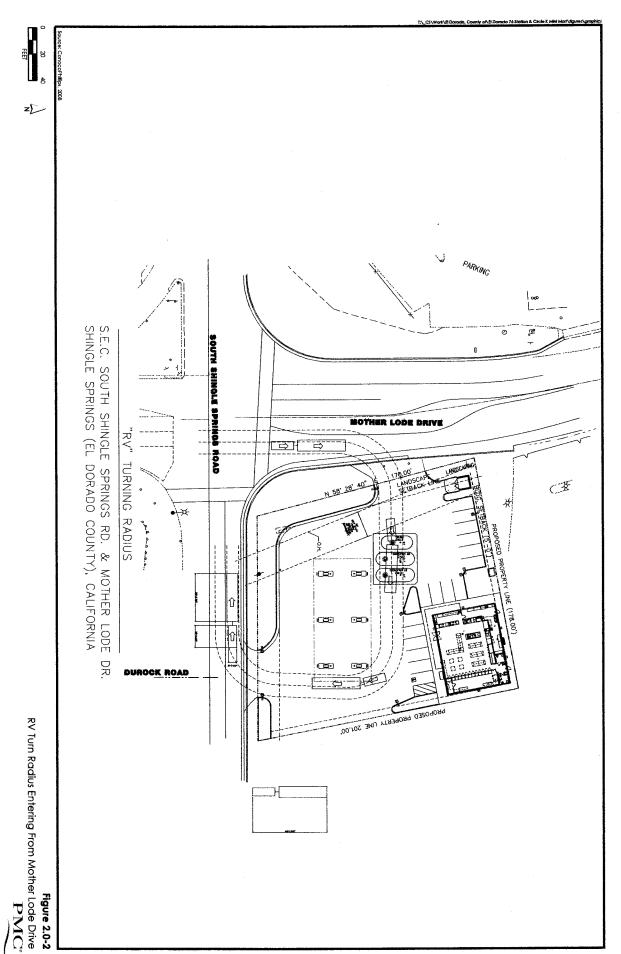
Once more we are submitting critical information and documents from our highly qualified expert that indeed, do have a profound bearing on our careful delineation of the safety factors involved.

Sincerely yours, Dale Smith, H.H.D., Alfa Omega Associates for: Friends of Shingle Springs Interchange, Inc.

Cc: Counsel - J.R. Kidder - Dan T. Smith - Master AR Record

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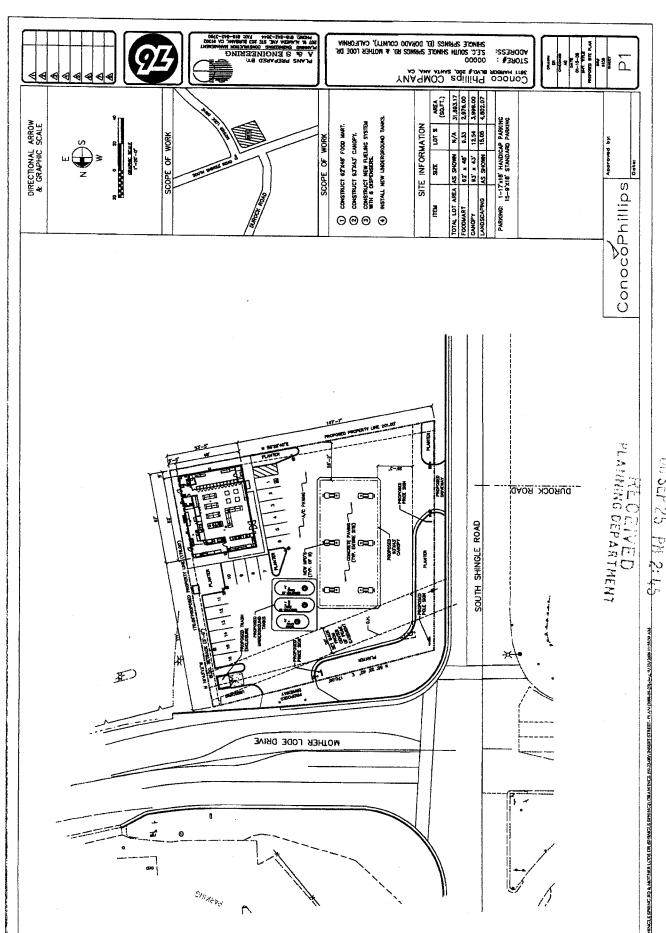
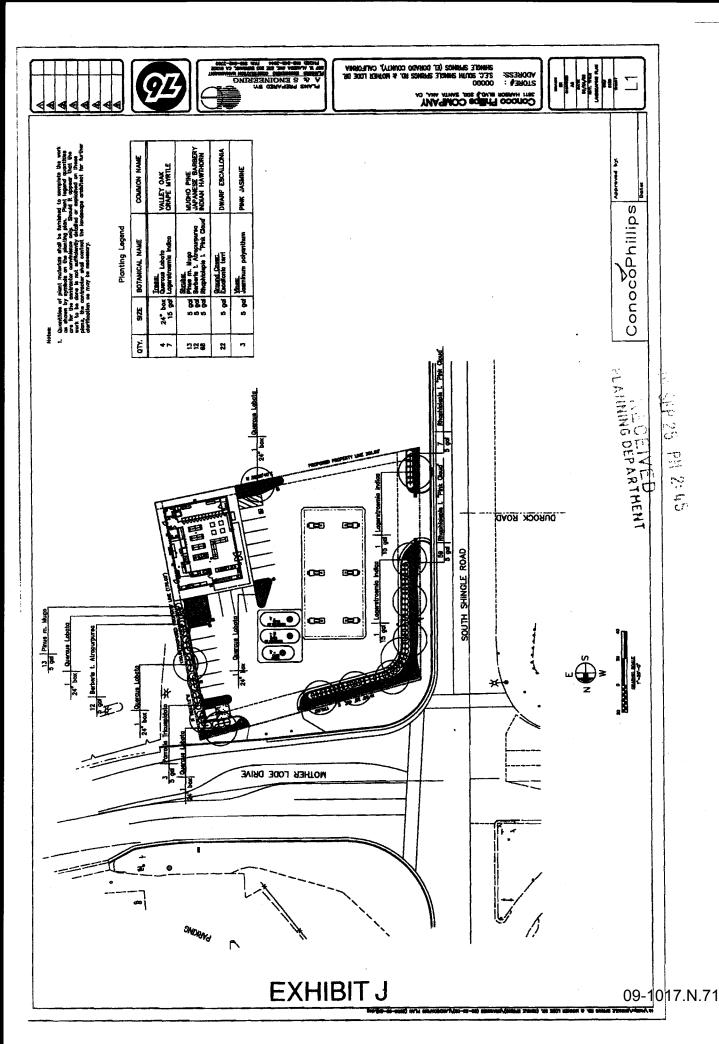


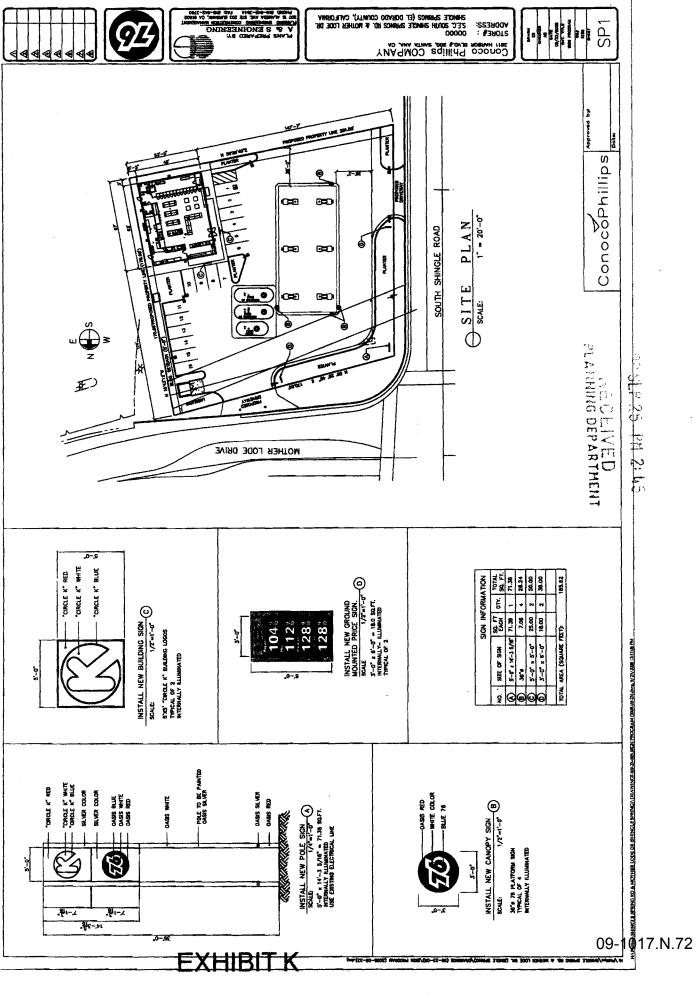
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