

ATTACHMENT

For Item

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Tuesday, December
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From: [Kulis, Michael](#)
To: [ESG, Public Comment](#)
Subject: FW: [External] Do not invest w Islamic Republic of Iran
Date: Monday, December 4, 2023 2:10:07 PM

From: Shelly Cannon <shellycannon2015@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 12:32 PM
To: Kulis, Michael <Michael.Kulis@sdcounty.ca.gov>
Subject: [External] Do not invest w Islamic Republic of Iran

December 1, 2023

The Honorable Nora Vargas
The Honorable Joel Anderson
The Honorable Terra Lawson-Remer
The Honorable Monica Montgomery Steppe
The Honorable Jim Desmond

Emailed To: michael.kulis@sdcounty.ca.gov

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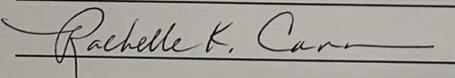
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Sincerely,

Printed Name: Rachelle K. Cannon
Signature: 
City, State: CARLSBAD, CA.

From: [Kulis, Michael](#)
To: [FGG, Public Comment](#)
Subject: FW: [External] Iran Divestment - Letter to Supervisors
Date: Monday, December 4, 2023 2:11:16 PM

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From: Debbie <dturquie@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 12:41 PM
To: Kulis, Michael <Michael.Kulis@sdcounty.ca.gov>
Subject: [External] Iran Divestment - Letter to Supervisors

Date: December 2, 2023

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Sincerely,
Deborah Turquie

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Kulis, Michael](#)
To: [FGG, Public Comment](#)
Subject: Iran Divestment - Letter to Supervisors
Date: Monday, December 4, 2023 2:27:10 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: Carlos Michan <CarlosM@strataequity.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 2:13 PM
To: Kulis, Michael <Michael.Kulis@sdcounty.ca.gov>
Cc: Carlos Michan <CarlosM@strataequity.com>; Esther Michan <MICH5@aol.com>
Subject: [External] Iran Divestment - Letter to Supervisors

Date: December 2, 2023

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Sincerely,

Carlos David Michan
Carlosm@strataequity.com
858-232-0033

Sent from my iPhone

December 1, 2023

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Emailed To: michael.kulis@sdcounty.ca.gov

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Sincerely,

Printed Name: Paul Cappitelli

Signature:  _____

City, State: San Diego, CA

From: [Kulis, Michael](#)
To: [FGG, Public Comment](#)
Subject: Investment pool
Date: Monday, December 4, 2023 3:17:23 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: Eduardo Sneider <eduardosneider@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 2:41 PM
To: Kulis, Michael <Michael.Kulis@sdcounty.ca.gov>
Subject: [External] Investment pool

12/4/2023

Date: December 2, 2023

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Sincerely,

Eduardo

From: [Kulis, Michael](#)
To: [FGG, Public Comment](#)
Subject: Divestment from Iran
Date: Monday, December 4, 2023 3:17:48 PM

From: Roberto Jinich <roberto@paragoncompany.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 2:42 PM
To: Kulis, Michael <Michael.Kulis@sdcounty.ca.gov>
Subject: [External] Divestment from Iran

Date: December 2, 2023

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From: [Kulis, Michael](#)
To: [FGG, Public Comment](#)
Subject: Iran Divestment - Letter to Supervisors
Date: Monday, December 4, 2023 3:19:09 PM

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From: Tina Kaminski <kamint17@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 2:32 PM
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Sincerely,
Tina Kaminski

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From: [Kulis, Michael](#)
To: [FGG, Public Comment](#)
Subject: Iran Divestment
Date: Monday, December 4, 2023 3:19:31 PM

From: mich5@aol.com <mich5@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 2:43 PM
To: Kulis, Michael <Michael.Kulis@sdcounty.ca.gov>
Subject: [External] Iran Divestment

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Sincerely,

Esther Michan
mich5@aol.com

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From: [Kulis, Michael](#)
To: [FGG, Public Comment](#)
Subject: Iran Divestment - Letter to Supervisors
Date: Monday, December 4, 2023 3:19:53 PM

From: Marcos Levy <mlevy@san.rr.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 2:54 PM
To: Kulis, Michael <Michael.Kulis@sdcounty.ca.gov>
Subject: [External] Iran Divestment - Letter to Supervisors

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