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VIA E-MAIL (changethelausd@gmail.com)

Carl Petersen

Re: Public Records Act Request Dated July 25, 2019

Dear Mr. Petersen:

This correspondence is in response to your Public Records Act request sent via email on July 25, 2019, which was addressed to David L. Hussey, Executive Director of El Camino Real Charter High School ("ECRCHS"). In accordance with Government Code § 6253(c), ECRCHS has determined that your request seeks records that are privileged and protected, and thus not subject to disclosure.

Specifically, we note that your request seeks "The report generated by Oracle Investigations Group as a result of the contract approved by the Governing Board on June 22, 2016." However, please be advised that Oracle Investigations Group ("Oracle") was retained by ECRCHS's outside legal counsel, Young, Minney & Corr, LLP ("YM&C"), as part of its representation of ECRCHS. ECRCHS authorized its outside counsel to retain Oracle for purposes of conducting a legal investigation, and as such the engagement contract was between Oracle and YM&C.

Accordingly, all information related to the results of Oracle's investigation, including any written report related to same, was obtained by our attorneys. Therefore, the report itself and any communications or reports between YM&C and ECRCHS related to Oracle's investigation is protected under the attorney-client privilege. *See* Government Code § 6254 (the Public Records Act specifically exempts from disclosure "records, the disclosure of which is exempted or prohibited pursuant to federal or state law, including, but not limited to, the provisions of the Evidence Code relating to privilege") and Evidence Code § 954 ("the client, whether or not a party, has a privilege to refuse to disclose, and to prevent another from disclosing, a confidential communication between client and lawyer").

Based thereon, ECRCHS is unable to provide any documents or information related to your Public Records Act request. Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Daniel H. Chang

Chief Compliance Officer