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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CENTRAL DISTRICT

CEMEX, INC. a Louisiana Corporation,

Plaintiff,

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CITY OF SANTA CLARITA; and Does 1 through 50, inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No.

COMPLAINT FOR:

- 1. BREACH OF CONTRACT
- 2. DECLARATORY RELIEF
- 3. BREACH OF THE IMPLIED COVENANT OF GOOD FAITH AND FAIR DEALING

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4. CIVIL RIGHTS VIOLATIONS, 42 U.S.C. § 1983

INTRODUCTION

1. Plaintiff CEMEX, Inc. ("Plaintiff" or "CEMEX") brings this action against
Defendant City of Santa Clarita ("Defendant" or "City") for breach of contract, declaratory and
injunctive relief, breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing, and for Civil
Rights Violations pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983 based upon the City's numerous and deliberate
violations of a settlement agreement between CEMEX and the City that resolved prior litigation
brought by CEMEX several years ago challenging the City's improper efforts in 2005 to annex

COMPLAINT FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT, DECLARATORY RELIEF, BREACH OF IMPLIED COVENANT OF GOOD FAITH AND FAIR DEALING, AND VIOLATIONS OF 42 U.S.C. § 1983

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CEMEX's mining site, in much the same way as the City seeks now in 2017 to improperly annex that same CEMEX mining site, along with other improper actions.

- 2. Two miles outside the City's municipal boundaries, in unincorporated Los Angeles County, lies an unusually high-quality deposit of sand and gravel, or "aggregates." The deposit has been designated by the State of California to be regionally significant, meaning that it is a crucial source of construction-grade aggregates for a region faced with a growing need for aggregates and ever fewer sources to supply them. So it was that nearly 30 years ago, the federal government, which owns much of the mineral estate in this untapped deposit, put up for competitive bid the right to mine and sell sand and gravel from the deposit. The predecessor of CEMEX won the contracts in 1990. Since that time, CEMEX has undertaken extraordinary efforts secure the entitlements required to begin operations. CEMEX secured the primary entitlements for the Soledad Canyon Sand and Gravel Mining Project ("Soledad Canyon Project") nearly 15 years ago, and is currently working to obtain the remaining, ancillary entitlements.
- 3. After the contracts were signed, the City began what would prove to be a multimillion dollar, decades-long campaign to obstruct, interfere with, and otherwise oppose the Soledad Canyon Project. In the ensuing years, the City's NIMBY (not-in-my-backyard) campaign has included multiple unsuccessful lawsuits, some ending with attorney fee sanctions against the City for bad faith litigation actions, failed land-use challenges and changes, untoward public relations campaigns and political efforts, and every other manner of vexatious conduct. In 2005, as part of its overall opposition campaign, the City tried to annex the Soledad Canyon Project Site so as to obtain jurisdiction over the Site in order to shut down the Project. But the City's hasty and pretextual annexation process was unlawful under state law, and when CEMEX sued, the City quickly entered into a settlement agreement that required the City to prepare a full environmental analysis, and notice to CEMEX, of any proposal to annex the Soledad Canyon Project Site. The City abandoned the annexation effort instead.
- 4. Now, twelve years after signing the settlement agreement, the City and its affiliates are acting in total disregard of the settlement agreement's terms, and have breached the agreement in multiple ways. The City has once again proposed to annex the Soledad Canyon Project Site,

once again without the environmental review and notices to CEMEX that are required under the settlement agreement and state law. This latest salvo in the City's relentless campaign against the Soledad Canyon Project, with the City's varying forms of political influence, bad-faith litigation tactics, and public-relations smear campaigns, strikes a chord remarkably similar to the facts in a recent judicial ruling involving unlawful actions taken by public officials and project opponents to block the operations of two surface mining companies. See Hardesty v. Sacramento Metro. Air Quality Mgmt. Dist., Docket Nos. 469, 529-30, Case No. 2:10-cv-2414-KJM-KJN (E.D. Cal. 2017). The jury in Hardesty awarded the surface mining companies over \$100 million in damages. The City's illegal actions will fare no better in this case.

PARTIES

- 5. CEMEX, formerly named Southdown, Inc. d/b/a Transit Mixed Concrete
 Company, is, and at all times herein mentioned was, a Louisiana corporation qualified to do
 business in the State of California. CEMEX has entered into two contracts with the United States
 of America (the "Federal Contracts") to mine and produce 56.1 million tons of federally owned
 sand and gravel on an approximately 500-acre site located in the unincorporated area of Los
 Angeles County known as Soledad Canyon, almost two miles from the City's municipal boundary.
 Pursuant to the Federal Contracts, CEMEX and its predecessors-in-interest have proposed the
 Soledad Canyon Project.
- 6. Upon information and belief, Defendant City is an incorporated city within the County of Los Angeles. The City has long opposed the Soledad Canyon Project, and has engaged in a multi-million dollar public relations, political, administrative, legal and land acquisition campaign to oppose the Project for many decades. The City is the "lead agency" for the annexation plan at issue in this case within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), Pub. Res. Code § 21000 et seq.
- 7. Plaintiff is ignorant of the true names and capacities of the defendants named herein as Does 1 through 50, inclusive. Plaintiff will amend this complaint to allege their true names and capacities when ascertained. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that at all times mentioned herein each of the Defendants was and is the agent and/or employee of each

of the remaining Defendants and, in doing the things herein alleged, was acting within the scope of such agency.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 8. State courts of general jurisdiction have concurrent authority to adjudicate actions arising under 42 U.S.C. § 1983.
- 9. Venue is proper in this Court pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure § 395 because the actions complained of in this complaint took place in Los Angeles County; the settlement agreement referred to herein was entered into in Los Angeles County; all parties do business in Los Angeles County.

FACTS COMMON TO ALL CAUSES OF ACTION

The Soledad Canyon Project

- 10. In 1990, CEMEX's predecessor signed the "Federal Contracts" with the U.S. Bureau of Land Management ("BLM"). The Federal Contracts gave the company the right, subject to federal and state regulatory approvals, to mine and produce 56.1 million tons of federally owned sand and gravel from the approximately 500-acre Soledad Canyon Project Site in unincorporated Los Angeles County, 30 miles north of Los Angeles and near the City of Santa Clarita.
- 11. The Soledad Canyon Project Site is zoned for heavy manufacturing by Los Angeles County and is adjacent to two other longstanding, active aggregate mines currently operating on private land. The California State Geologist has classified the Soledad Canyon site, and the surrounding area, as an MRZ-2 valuable mineral deposit, and designated the site as a Regionally Significant Construction Aggregate Resource Area. The mineral resources in this Resource Area are extremely valuable because the market is located close to the production area, significantly reducing haul costs and emissions of airborne pollutants and greenhouse gases. The California Geological Survey reports that current permitted reserves in the San Fernando Valley-Saugus Newhall Production-Consumption Region, where the State-designated Resource Area is located, are severely depleted, and that absent the development of new permitted reserves, current permitted reserves in Los Angeles County will be depleted by 2021.

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12. In May 1990, Plaintiff's predecessor submitted to BLM a proposed mining and reclamation plan to mine the Soledad Canyon Project Site pursuant to the Federal Contracts.

BLM prepared an exhaustive environmental review for the Soledad Canyon Project, and, on August 1, 2000, issued a Record of Decision approving the Project.

The City's Opposition to the Soledad Canyon Project

- 13. The City vociferously opposed any mining at the Site, and immediately challenged the Record of Decision and related federal determinations for the Soledad Canyon Project in administrative tribunals and the federal and state court systems. Over the next seven years (2000-2007), Plaintiff and the federal government successfully defended the Project from multiple challenges brought by the City, thereby protecting and preserving Plaintiff's future right to production at the Soledad Canyon Project Site under appropriate conditions, the public's need for the aggregate at the site, and the United States' interest in the prospective royalties from Plaintiff's mining activities. In a several of these lawsuits, the City, after losing the cases, was sanctioned with attorneys' fee awards based on bad faith litigation. See, e.g., Sierra Club, 156 Interior Board of Land Appeals ("IBLA") 144, 168 (2002) (affirming ROD); City of Santa Clarita v. U.S. Dep't of the Interior, 249 F. App'x 502, 505 (9th Cir. 2007) (affirming summary judgment against challenges to the ROD and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's biological opinion); Ctr. for Biological Diversity v. U.S. Fish & Wildlife Serv., 450 F.3d 930, 944 (9th Cir. 2006) (affirming biological opinion); Cemex Inc. v. Los Angeles Cty., 166 F. App'x 306, 307-08 (9th Cir. 2006) (affirming rejection of challenge to consent decree between CEMEX, county, and federal government resolving county opposition to Project).
- 14. In 2004, a consent decree was entered into between the BLM, CEMEX and Los Angeles County ("County") resulting in, among other things, Los Angeles County issuing approval of CEMEX's mining plan. *City of Santa Clarita v. Los Angeles Cty. Bd. of Supervisors*, No. 04-cv-7355 (C.D. Cal. June 17, 2008) (granting summary judgment motions of the United States, CEMEX, and the County of Los Angeles). The County's final mining plan approval, issued after another exhaustive environmental review, spawned an additional round of litigation in state court (removed to federal court) brought by the City. *See* Order, *City of Santa Clarita v. Los*

Angeles Cty. Bd. of Supervisors, No. 04-cv-7355 (C.D. Cal. June 17, 2008). The frivolous and lengthy litigation brought by the City against the Soledad Canyon Project did not conclude until 2009, when the City dismissed its appeal of one of the district court's awards of attorney's fees against it for bad-faith litigation in attempting to block the Project. See Order, City of Santa Clarita v. Los Angeles Cty. Bd. of Supervisors, No. 08-56493 (9th Cir. Mar. 3, 2009); id., No. 2:04-cv-7355, 2008 WL 4926964, at *5 (C.D. Cal. Nov. 14, 2008).

- 15. As discussed above, the City's relentless campaign against the Soledad Canyon Project is similar to the unlawful actions taken by public officials against two surface mining companies at issue in *Hardesty v. Sacramento Metro. Air Quality Mgmt. Dist.*, Docket Nos. 469, 529-30, Case No. 2:10-cv-2414-KJM-KJN (E.D. Cal. 2017), for which the jury awarded the companies over \$100 million in damages.
- designed to interfere with the Soledad Canyon Project, the City has also previously attempted to establish jurisdiction over the Soledad Canyon Project Site in order to stop or interfere with the Project. After the Federal Contracts were awarded, the City purchased the surface estate of the Soledad Canyon Project Site. In 2000, the City attempted to expand its sphere of influence to include the Soledad Canyon Project Site, which attempt Plaintiff's predecessor successfully opposed. In 2005, the City attempted to annex 1,885 acres of land, including the Soledad Canyon Project Site ("2005 Annexation Project").
- as other documents, for the 2005 Annexation Project, which documents failed to mention or discuss the Soledad Canyon Project; the designation of the Soledad Canyon Project Site and surrounding area as a regionally significant source of aggregates; the fact that the United States owned the mineral estate in and around the Soledad Canyon Project Site (notwithstanding the City's purchase of the surface estate); or the effect the 2005 Annexation Project might have on the Soledad Canyon Project. The City's true motivation for the 2005 Annexation Project was to interfere with and stop the Soledad Canyon Project.

The Settlement Agreement

- On December 14, 2005, Plaintiff filed a Verified Petition for Writ of Mandate and Complaint for Declaratory and Injunctive Relief against the City for its actions associated with the 2005 Annexation Project. Among other deficiencies, Plaintiff challenged the City's decision to prepare a legally inadequate Mitigated Negative Declaration/Initial Study, and in taking various official actions predicated on such inadequate environmental review, *Cemex, Inc. v. City of Santa Clarita, et al.*, No. BS100710 (Superior Court, County of Los Angeles). This CEQA lawsuit resulted in a settlement agreement executed in August 2006 by and between Plaintiff and the City (the "Settlement Agreement"). A true and correct copy of the Settlement Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 19. Pursuant to Section 1.1 of the Settlement Agreement, "any and all actions taken by the City" prior to the Settlement Agreement and "relating to annexation of the Soledad Canyon Area" were rescinded. Pursuant to Section 1.2 of the Settlement Agreement, the City agreed, and therefore was required, to prepare an Environmental Impact Report ("EIR") for the 2005 Annexation Project, or for "any annexation plans similar thereto."

The 2017 Annexation Project

- 20. On November 14, 2017, the City issued a proposed Negative Declaration ("ND/IS") for the Sphere of Influence Amendment, Prezone, General Plan Amendment, and Annexation comprising the 2017 Annexation Project, which the City labeled as "Master Case 17-178." The ND/IS evaluated the proposed annexation of 4.21 square miles, or 2694.4 acres, which area includes nearly the entirety of the Soledad Canyon Project Site. The City provided a 21-day public comment period on the ND/IS, but did not provide notice to Plaintiff of the availability of the ND/IS. Plaintiff believes that the City did not provide notice to BLM, the owner of the mineral estate in and around the Soledad Canyon Project Site.
- 21. On December 5, 2017, on the same day the public comment period on the ND/IS closed, the City's Planning Commission held a hearing on the 2017 Annexation Project. During the hearing, the Planning Commission adopted the recommendation of its staff to adopt Resolution No. P17-17, which resolution recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution to adopt the

ND/IS and approve Master Case 17-178; General Plan Amendment 17-002; Prezone 17-001 for the Eastside Open Space Annexation.

- 22. The 2017 Annexation Project constitutes an "annexation plan similar" to the 2005 Annexation Project that was the subject of the Settlement Agreement for the following reasons: (1) both annexation projects would annex nearly the entire CEMEX Soledad Canyon Project Site; (2) both projects would annex the same portions of the CEMEX Soledad Canyon Project Site; and (3) both projects require zoning amendments and amendments to the City's General Plan and sphere of influence, as well as prezoning, specifically to permit annexation of the Soledad Canyon Project Site. The Soledad Canyon Project remains unchanged relative to the City's two annexation attempts; it was fully reviewed and entitled in 2005, and it remains fully reviewed and entitled in 2017.
- 23. For the 2005 Annexation Project, the City effectively admitted that it deliberately failed to mention or discuss the Soledad Canyon Project or the fact that the United States owned the mineral estate in and around the Soledad Canyon Project Site. *The City also admitted, in multiple public statements, that the true purpose of the annexation was to interfere with and stop the Soledad Canyon Project.* With the 2017 Annexation Project the City has done, and is doing, precisely the same things for the same reason.
- 24. With the 2017 Annexation Project, the City has disregarded its legal and contractual obligation to prepare an EIR in connection with such annexation plans. The City has instead predicated its proposals for a General Plan Amendment (General Plan Amendment 17-002) and Zone Change (Prezone 17-001) on its proposed Negative Declaration/Initial Study ("ND/IS"). The City's failure to prepare an EIR and instead prepare an ND/IS for its present annexation plans is a breach of the Settlement Agreement.
- 25. In addition, the City has violated numerous notice requirements under the Settlement Agreement. Section 1.5 of the Settlement Agreement requires, among other things, that the City "provide written notice of any public hearing, public meeting, or public workshop regarding the Project or the EIR to CEMEX and its counsel of record at least ten (10) business days prior to any such public hearing, public meeting, or public workshop, or earlier if required by the applicable provisions of law." Section 1.5 of the Settlement Agreement further requires the City to email

Plaintiff and its counsel copies of any other notices required by law, such as the Notice of Preparation and Notice of Completion of the Draft EIR. Section 1.6 of the Settlement agreement requires the City to provide Plaintiff with copies of any agenda item and/or staff report "regarding the Annexation Project" as soon as such items are available to the public.

- 26. Since the City was required to prepare an EIR for the 2017 Annexation Project pursuant to Section 1.2 of the Settlement Agreement, it was also required to provide, prior to any pertinent public hearings, the notices mandated by Settlement Agreement Sections 1.5 and 1.6. the City has failed to comply with these provisions of the Settlement Agreement, and refuses to provide Plaintiff with the requisite documentation. The City's failure to do so constitutes another breach of the Settlement Agreement.
- 27. The City's actions are not taken in good faith. Though the City publicly acknowledged during the August 23, 2006 scoping session that the EIR process was the result of a litigation settlement, the City's actions and representations regarding the 2017 Annexation Project are unresponsive to, and inconsistent with, the underlying substance of Plaintiff's lawsuit and the "spirit" of that settlement. All parties understood and contractually acknowledged that the annexation of the Soledad Canyon site could lead to potentially significant environmental impacts, and that Plaintiff, as the proponent of the Soledad Canyon Project, deserved a meaningful opportunity to be heard in the City's process of considering those impacts. It was for these reasons that the City obligated itself to analyze the potentially significant impacts of the annexation of the Soledad Canyon site in an EIR, and to notify and include Plaintiff in the review and approval process.
- 28. In short, the City's current 2017 Annexation Project and actions taken in connection therewith are required to conform to numerous substantive review and notice requirements of the Settlement Agreement. The City has complied with none of these requirements, and has failed to abide by the intent and spirit of the Settlement Agreement. Upon Plaintiff's information and belief, the City denies that these contentions are true.
- 29. The City's current 2017 Annexation Project and actions taken in connection therewith have caused and will cause Plaintiff irreparable harm and substantial damages. Such damages

include but are not limited to the fair market value of the minerals that Plaintiff is entitled to mine under the Federal Contracts, as well as the attorneys' fees and costs Plaintiff has incurred, and continues to incur, in objecting to and commenting on the City's 2017 Annexation Project and in filing and prosecuting this action.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

(For Breach of Contract)

- 30. Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations of Paragraphs 1 through 29 above as though fully set forth herein.
- 31. Plaintiff, on the one hand, and Defendant City, on the other hand, are parties to the Settlement Agreement executed in August 2006. The Settlement Agreement is a binding and enforceable written agreement between the parties.
- 32. Plaintiff has fully performed each and every material term, condition, and covenant required to be performed under the Settlement Agreement, except insofar as the requirement of full performance was waived and/or excused as a result of, *inter alia*, the repudiation caused by Defendant's breaches of contract, wrongful conduct, and failure to perform as alleged herein.
- 33. Section 1.2 of the Settlement Agreement requires Defendant City to prepare an EIR for the 2005 Annexation Project or "any annexation plans similar thereto." Defendant City has breached this provision of the Settlement Agreement by proposing the adoption of a Negative Declaration in connection with the City's 2017 Annexation Project in lieu of preparing an EIR as required by Section 1.2 of the Settlement Agreement.
- 34. Section 1.5 of the Settlement Agreement requires Defendant City to "provide written notice of any public hearing, public meeting, or public workshop regarding the Project or the EIR to CEMEX and its counsel of record at least ten (10) business days prior to any such public hearing, public meeting, or public workshop," and provide copies of any other notices required by law, including the Notice of Preparation and Notice of Completion of the Draft EIR. Similarly, Section 1.6 of the Settlement Agreement requires Defendant City to "provide a copy of any agenda item and/or staff report regarding the Annexation Project to CEMEX and to CEMEX's counsel of record by e-mail as soon as such agenda item and/or staff report is available to the

public."

- 35. Defendant City has failed to comply with all of these provisions of the Settlement Agreement, including through Defendant's refusal to provide Plaintiff with the requisite notice of any public hearing, meeting, or workshop pertinent to Defendant City's annexation plans.
- 36. The timely delivery of such documentation was and is especially important to Plaintiff in that Plaintiff, as the proponent of the Soledad Canyon Project, was (and is) legally entitled to a meaningful opportunity to be heard in Defendant's review of the potentially significant environmental impacts of annexation, and required (and requires) adequate time to review the documents in order to mount an informed opposition, where necessary, to Defendant's actions.
- 37. As a result of Defendant City's breaches of the Settlement Agreement, Plaintiff has been deprived of its right to compel the preparation of an EIR in connection with Defendant City's annexation plans, a right Plaintiff has pursuant to the Settlement Agreement.
- 38. As a further result of Defendant City's material breaches of the Settlement Agreement, Plaintiff has been deprived of an adequate forum in which to respond to Defendant City's annexation plans because Plaintiff has never timely received notification of public hearings, meetings, and workshops pertinent to the 2017 Annexation Project as required by Section 1.5 of the Settlement Agreement.
- 39. In light of Defendant City's material breaches, Plaintiff is entitled to specific performance of the Settlement Agreement, and seeks preliminary and permanent injunctive relief to prevent Defendants from taking any further action in connection with the 2017 Annexation Project, and to rescind all actions taken to date in connection with the 2017 Annexation Project. Furthermore, pending the outcome of Plaintiff's claim for damages under the Government Claims Act, recently filed against the City for Defendant City's material breaches of the Settlement Agreement, which were the legal cause of irreparable harm and substantial damage to Plaintiff, Plaintiff intends to amend this Complaint to allege claims for damages, including, but not limited to, damages for breach of contract, tortious interference with contractual relations, and conversion of personal property. Such damages include but are not limited to the fair market value of the

minerals that Plaintiff is entitled to mine under the Federal Contracts, as well as the attorneys' fees and costs Plaintiff has incurred, and continues to incur, in objecting to and commenting on the City's 2017 Annexation Project and in filing and prosecuting this action. A true and correct copy Plaintiff's claim under the Government Claims Act is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

40. Plaintiff is also entitled to recover its attorneys' fees and costs from Defendant City pursuant to Section 5.2 of the Settlement Agreement.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

(For Declaratory Relief)

- 41. Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations of Paragraphs 1 through 40 above as though fully set forth herein.
- 42. A real and actual controversy exists between Plaintiff and Defendants relating to their respective rights and duties arising out of the Settlement Agreement. Plaintiff contends, and is informed and believes, that Defendants deny that Defendant City's actions materially breach the Settlement Agreement.
- 43. Among other things, Plaintiff contends that Defendant City must: (1) rescind Planning Commission Resolution No. P17-17 and all accompanying environmental documentation, including the ND/IS; (2) rescind its proposals for a General Plan Amendment (General Plan Amendment 17-002) and Zone Change (Prezone 17-001) to the extent they are predicated on the ND/IS; (3) refrain from approving or taking any further action on Master Case No. 17-178 until and unless the City prepares an EIR; (4) provide Plaintiff with written notices of any public hearing, meeting, or workshop regarding the 2017 Annexation Project or the EIR prior to engaging in any further activities in connection with its annexation plans; and (5) provide copies via e-mail of any agenda items or staff reports regarding the 2017 Annexation Project as soon as those documents are made publicly available.
- 44. A judicial declaration is necessary and appropriate at this time under the circumstances in order that Plaintiff may ascertain its rights, duties and obligations under the Settlement Agreement, and eliminate uncertainties and controversies arising from City Resolution P17-17 recommending the adoption of the ND/IS and the approval of Master Case No. 17-178,

General Plan Amendment 17-002, and Prezone 17-001. If no judicial declaration is made, Defendants will continue to violate the Settlement Agreement by pursuing annexation plans without the preparation of an EIR, and depriving Plaintiff of its right to notice of the pertinent administrative proceedings.

45. Plaintiff is therefore entitled to a declaration pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure § 1060 as alleged above.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

(For Breach of the Covenant of Good Faith and Fair Dealing)

- 46. Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations of Paragraphs 1 through 45 above as though fully set forth herein.
- 47. Plaintiff, on the one hand, and Defendant City, on the other hand, are parties to the Settlement Agreement, which is a binding and enforceable written agreement.
- 48. Implied in the Settlement Agreement is a covenant that Defendant City would act in good faith and deal fairly with Plaintiff, and that it would do nothing to interfere with the rights of Plaintiff to receive the benefits of the contract.
- 49. Plaintiff performed all of the conditions and covenants owed to Defendant City under the Settlement Agreement, except for those obligations that may have been excused by the conduct of Defendants.
- 50. In the alternative, if it is concluded that Defendant City did not breach a specific provision of the Settlement Agreement, then Defendant City's conduct breached the covenant of good faith and fair dealing as set forth herein, thereby depriving Plaintiff of, and interfering with Plaintiff's ability to receive, the benefits of the Settlement Agreement.
- 51. Defendant City's breaches of the implied covenant are the legal cause of substantial damage to Plaintiff. Plaintiff's damages include, but are not limited to the loss of its contractual rights, loss of the fair market value of the minerals, and the expenditure of substantial attorneys' fees and costs.

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(For Violations of 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and the Due Process Clause of the Fifth and Fourteenth

Amendments to the United States Constitution)

- 52. Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations of Paragraphs 1 through 51 above as though fully set forth herein.
- 53. Title 42 U.S.C. § 1983 establishes that a person may bring an action for damages and injunctive relief against an individual or local government who deprive a plaintiff of rights, privileges, and immunities secured by the United States Constitution or federal law, including but not limited to the Due Process Clause of the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution.
- 54. California courts have held that "a deliberate flouting of the law that trammels significant personal or property rights" is actionable under the Fourteenth Amendment and 42 U.S.C. § 1983. Gallard v. City of Clovis (2001) 24 Cal. 4th 1003; see also Hardesty v. Sacramento Metro. Air Quality Mgmt. Dist., Docket Nos. 469, 529-30, Case No. 2:10-cv-2414-KJM-KJN (E.D. Cal. 2017) (jury awarding surface mining companies \$100 million in damages under Section 1983 for constitutional violations of public officials).
- 55. A governmental action violates due process if it is clearly arbitrary, irrational, or capricious.
- 56. Governmental interference with property rights constitute a violation of a property owner's substantive due process rights where it can be shown that the applicable regulation serves no legitimate governmental purpose or there is no rational relationship between the regulation/action to a government purpose.
- 57. In 1990, Plaintiff's predecessor entered into the Federal Contracts with BLM. The Federal Contracts, which are now held by Plaintiff, give Plaintiff the right, subject to federal and state regulatory approvals, to mine and produce 56.1 million tons of federally owned sand and gravel from the approximately 500-acre Soledad Canyon Project Site. These Contracts give Plaintiff a protected property interest in the ownership and reasonable use of the sand and gravel to be mined and produced.

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- 58. Consistent with its obligations under the Federal Contracts, Plaintiff has secured the primary entitlements for the Soledad Canyon Project and is currently working to obtain the remaining, ancillary entitlements.
- 59. Defendants, acting under the color of state law, City ordinances, regulations, customs, and usage of regulations and authority, and in violation of 42 U.S.C. § 1983, have deprived Plaintiff of its significant protected property interest under the Federal Contracts and federal law.
- 60. Defendants, acting under the color of state law, City ordinances, regulations, customs, and usage of regulations and authority, and in violation of 42 U.S.C. § 1983, have deprived Plaintiff of the rights, privileges, and immunities secured by the Due Process Clause of the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments, specifically the rights to procedural due process and substantive due process, through their ordinances, resolutions, customs, and usage of regulations and authority and practice by arbitrarily, intentionally, and irrationally undertaking efforts to stop or otherwise interfere with the Soledad Canyon Project. Indeed, Defendant City has gone on record to admit that the true purpose of its 2005 Annexation Effort was to interfere with and stop the Soledad Canyon Project. The same pretextual purpose underlies the 2017 Annexation Project.
- 61. The City's relentless campaign against the Soledad Canyon Project, of which the 2017 Annexation is part, is similar to the unlawful actions taken by public officials against two surface mining companies in *Hardesty*, *supra*, for which the jury awarded more than \$100 million in damages to the companies under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment.
- 62. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' actions as alleged herein, Plaintiff has been damaged in an amount to be determined at trial. These damages include, but are not limited to, the loss of Plaintiff's contractual rights, loss of the fair market value of the minerals to be mined and produced under the Federal Contracts, and the expenditure of substantial attorneys' fees and costs in connection with Defendants' unlawful actions.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for judgment against Defendants, and each of them as follows:

- 1. For specific performance of the Settlement Agreement;
- 2. For a temporary restraining order, preliminary injunction, and permanent injunction enjoining and restraining Defendants, and those acting in concert with Defendants or at their direction, from undertaking any further activities in connection with its 2017 Annexation Project, and directing Defendant City to (1) rescind Planning Commission Resolution No. P17-17 and all accompanying environmental documentation, including the ND/IS, and either (1) prepare an EIR for the 2017 Annexation Project and provide CEMEX proper notice and opportunity to be heard during the EIR process, pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, or (2) amend the 2017 Annexation Project to exclude the area of designated regionally significant aggregates, including the Soledad Canyon Project Site.
- 3. For a judicial determination by this Court of the respective rights, duties, and obligations of the parties under the Settlement Agreement to the effect that: (1) Defendant City cannot continue with its current course of conduct, and must refrain from approving or taking any further action on Master Case No. 17-178 unless and until the City prepares and EIR; (2) Defendant City must provide Plaintiff with written notices of any public hearing, meeting, or workshop regarding the 2017 Annexation Project or the EIR prior to engaging in any further activities in connection with their annexation plans; (3) Defendant City must provide copies via e-mail of any agenda items or staff reports regarding the 2017 Annexation Project as soon as those documents are made publicly available; (4) Defendant City must rescind Planning Commission Resolution No. P17-17 and all accompanying environmental documentation, including the ND/IS; and (5) Defendant City must withdraw the City's proposals for a General Plan Amendment (General Plan Amendment 17-002) and Zone Change (Prezone 17-001) to the extent they are predicated on the ND/IS.
- 4. For compensatory damages in an amount to be determined at trial pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983;

5. For the costs of suit and reasonable attorney's fees pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and Section 5.2 of the Settlement Agreement; and For such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper. 6. DATED: December 22, 2017 JEFFER MANGELS BUTLER & MITCHELL LLP KERRY SHAPIRO MATTHEW D. HINKS MATTHEW J. SANDERS LARA R. LEITNER By: Attorneys for Plaintiff CEMEX, INC.

EXHIBIT A

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This Settlement Agreement is entered into as of this ____ day of July, 2006, by and between CEMEX, Inc., a Louisiana Corporation ("CEMEX"), and the City of Santa Clarita (the "City") (CEMEX and the City are referred to collectively herein as the "Parties").

This Settlement Agreement is made with reference to the following facts:

WHEREAS, in 2005, the City initiated a project (Master Case 05-270) to amend the City's General Plan (GPA 05-007), prezone approximately 1,885-acres east of the City in the Soledad Canyon area of Los Angeles County ("Soledad Canyon Area"), expand its sphere of influence, and annex the area into the City (the "Annexation Project");

WHEREAS, the City prepared an Initial Study/Negative Declaration, Master Case 05-270 pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code Section 2710, et seq. ("CEQA");

WHEREAS, CEMEX submitted a September 29, 2005 comment letter on the Initial Study/Negative Declaration, claiming that the City was required to prepare a full Environmental Impact Report under CEQA for the Annexation Project;

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Land Management and C.A. Rasmussen (a property owner in the vicinity of the Annexation Project area) also submitted comments claiming that the City was required to prepare an EIR for the Annexation Project;

WHEREAS, on October 4, 2005, the City's Planning Commission conducted a public hearing and adopted Resolution No. P05-042 recommending that the City Council: (a) approve General Plan Amendment 05-007 and Prezone 05-001; (b) adopt the Negative Declaration prepared for the Annexation Plan; and (c) adopt a Resolution of Application to submit to LAFCO an application to annex the East Santa Clarita Annexation Area to the City of Santa Clarita;

WHEREAS, in an October 11, 2005 letter to the City, CEMEX requested that the City deny the Annexation Project;

WHEREAS, the City Council subsequently:

- (1) Adopted Resolution No. 05-130, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 05-007 [MASTER CASE 05-270] AND ADOPTING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE EAST SANTA CLARITA ANNEXATION AREA, LOCATED EAST OF CITY BOUNDARIES IN CANYON COUNTRY NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF SOLEDAD CANYON ROAD AND SR 14 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES;
- (2) Adopted Resolution No. 05-131, "A RESOLUTION OF APPLICATION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING THAT THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION OF LOS

ANGELES COUNTY INITIATE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN UNINHABITED TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA EAST SANTA CLARITA ANNEXATION [MASTER CASE NO. 05-270]");

- (3) Approved General Plan Amendment 05-007; and
- (4) Adopted Ordinance No. 05-17, entitled "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, CALIFORNIA, TO APPROVE PREZONE NO. 05-001 (MASTER CASE 05-270) FOR THE EAST SANTA CLARITA ANNEXATION AREA GENERALLY LOCATED EAST OF CITY BOUNDARIES IN CANYON COUNTRY NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF SOLEDAD CANYON ROAD AND SR 14 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES" (collectively "the Resolutions)

WHEREAS on November 28, 2005, the City submitted application number 2005-36 to the Los Angeles County Local Agency Formation Commission ('LAFCO"), to seek permission to annex the proposed area in the Soledad Canyon Area ('LAFCO Application");

WHEREAS on December 14, 2005, CEMEX filed a writ of mandate and complaint for declaratory and injunctive relief against the City, entitled CEMEX, Inc. v. The City of Santa Clarita, Superior Court for the State of California, County of Los Angeles, Case No. BS100710 (the "CEQA Lawsuit"), alleging that the City's adoption of the Negative Declaration and the accompanying Resolutions were in violation of CEQA and that a full-blown EIR was required for the Annexation Project. and seeking to set aside the City's adoption of the Negative Declaration and the accompanying resolutions on that basis, among other claims;

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to compromise and settle and resolve all controversies, relating to the Negative Declaration and the Resolutions, to bring these matters to a conclusion and to avoid incurring costs and expenses which would be incident to the prosecution and defense of the CEOA lawsuit arising from these disputed matters.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties, for good and adequate consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, agree as follows:

1. PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT; WITHDRAWAL OF THE RESOLUTIONS

- 1.1 Any and all actions taken by the City prior to the effective date of this Agreement relating to annexation of the Soledad Canyon Area, which includes Master Case 05-270, shall hereby be rescinded, and shall not constitute an approval of the Annexation Project under any applicable statutes, rules and regulations, including CEQA;
- 1.2 The Annexation Project, as defined above, or any annexation plans similar thereto, shall require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report ("EIR") pursuant to CEQA;
- 1.3 Until such time as the City has rescinded its decisions to adopt the Resolutions, decertified the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Annexation

Project, and has prepared and certified an EIR for the Annexation Project, the City shall refrain from taking any action relative to the Annexation Project, including any continued prosecution of the LAFCO Application, or taking any other action that constitutes an "approval" of the Annexation Project as defined in California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15352;

- 1.4 A representative of CEMEX shall attend and meaningfully participate in any scoping meetings, required by CEQA, conducted on behalf of the City that facilitate the preparation of the EIR. The City shall provide CEMEX and its attorneys of record notice of each scoping meeting at least ten (10) business days prior to that meeting, or earlier if required by law. Although CEMEX will meaningfully participate in the scoping meetings, CEMEX will retain the same rights as any other member of the public to comment on the draft EIR and object to the sufficiency of any EIR that the City may ultimately adopt. Furthermore, by participating in the CEQA scoping process, CEMEX in no way waives its rights to object to any proposed City annexation that includes the Soledad Canyon Area, or any specific parcel(s) of land within the Soledad Canyon Area.
- 1.5 The City shall provide written notice of any public hearing, public meeting, or public workshop regarding the Project or the EIR to CEMEX and its counsel of record at least ten (10) business days prior to any such public hearing, public meeting, or public workshop, or earlier if required by the applicable provisions of law. Additionally, copies of any other notices required by law relative to the Annexation Project, including but not limited to the Notice of Preparation and Notice of Completion of the Draft EIR, shall be mailed to CEMEX and its legal representative upon issuance.
- 1.6 The City shall provide a copy of any agenda item and/or staff report regarding the Annexation Project to CEMEX and to CEMEX's counsel of record by email as soon as such agenda item and/or staff report is available to the public.
- 1.7 Upon issuance of the Draft EIR for the Project, the City shall make available a copy of the Draft EIR and all appendices thereto to CEMEX' counsel of record. CEMEX shall be responsible for picking up these documents from the City and shall be responsible for payment of all costs associated with reproduction of the Draft EIR that exceed \$50.00.
- 1.8 All notices and documents that are required to be provided to CEMEX and/or CEMEX's counsel of record shall be e-mailed to CEMEX and/or its counsel of record as follows:

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2. THE CEQA LAWSUIT

2.1 Within five (5) days of the effective date of this Agreement, CEMEX shall file a Request for Dismissal of the CEQA Lawsuit. The dismissal shall be without prejudice.

2.2 The Parties shall bear their own attorneys' fees and costs incurred in the CEQA Lawsuit.

3. THE LAFCO APPLICATION

- 3.1 Within five (5) days of the effective date of this Agreement, the City shall instruct LAFCO, in writing, to cease all further processing of the LAFCO Application until such time as the City certifies an EIR for the Annexation Project, as defined above, or any annexation plans similar thereto, pursuant to CEQA. The City shall copy CEMEX on this written communication to LAFCO. The parties listed in Paragraph 1.8 of this Agreement shall receive a copy of the letter by e-mail on the same date that it is sent.
- 3.2 The Parties recognize that CEMEX believes withdrawal of the LAFCO Application is required by California law and the City believes that such a withdrawal is unnecessary. Therefore, the Parties agree that CEMEX reserves any and all rights it has to challenge the LAFCO Application in any future proceeding on the basis that it should have been withdrawn once the Resolutions were rescinded.

4. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES:

4.1 Knowledge and Consent of Parties: The Parties to this Agreement mutually warrant and represent that they have read and understand this Agreement and that this Agreement is executed voluntarily and without duress or undue influence on the part of or on behalf of any Party hereto. The Parties hereby acknowledge that they have been represented in negotiations and for the preparation of this Agreement by counsel of their own choice, that they have read this Agreement and have had it fully explained to them by such counsel, and that they

are fully aware of the contents of this Agreement and of the legal effect of each and every provision thereof.

- 4.2 <u>Authority:</u> Each Party who signs this Agreement warrants that it has full authority to enter into the Agreement and will defend, indemnify, and hold harmless all other Parties if that authority is later challenged.
- 4.3 <u>Capacity</u>: Each Party who signs this Agreement specifically represents that it has the capacity to enter into this Agreement.

5. MISCELLANEOUS:

- 5.1 <u>Construction, Jurisdiction, Etc.</u>: This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of California. The Parties and their counsel have participated in the preparation of this Agreement and this Agreement is the result of the joint efforts of the Parties. Any uncertainty or ambiguity existing in this Agreement shall not be interpreted against any Party as a result of the manner of the preparation of this Agreement.
- 5.2 Enforcement Costs: If any Party brings an action to enforce the terms of this Agreement or to declare rights hereunder, the prevailing party in any such action, trial and appeal, shall be entitled to her or his reasonable attorneys' fees and costs to be paid by the losing Party or Parties.
- 5.3 <u>Successors:</u> This Agreement and each and all of the representations, warranties and covenants of the Parties made herein are binding upon the Parties and each and all of their respective successors, assigns, heirs and representatives.
- 5.4 Entire Agreement: This Agreement contains the sole and entire agreement and understanding of the Parties with respect to the entire subject matter hereof, and any and all prior discussions, negotiations, commitments or understandings related thereto, if any, are hereby merged herein and therein. No representations, oral or otherwise, express or implied, other than those specifically referred to in this Agreement have been made by any Party hereto. No other agreements not specifically contained or referenced herein, or otherwise, shall be deemed to exist or to bind any of the Parties hereto.
- 5.5 No Reliance: Each Party hereby represents and acknowledges that in executing this Agreement, such Party does not rely and has not relied upon any representation or statement made by any of the Parties or their agents or representatives with regard to the subject matter, basis or effect of this Agreement except as those specifically stated in this written Agreement.
- 5.6 <u>Severability:</u> If any provision of this Agreement or the application thereof is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Agreement, which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application and to this end the provisions of this Agreement are declared to be severable.

- 5.7 <u>Waiver, Modification and Amendment:</u> No provision hereof may be waived unless in writing signed by all Parties hereto. Waiver of any one provision herein shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any other provision herein. This Agreement may be amended or modified only by a written agreement executed by all of the Parties hereto.
- 5.8 <u>Binding Effect:</u> This Agreement is binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the Parties hereto, and their respective agents, employees, representatives, attorneys, assigns, beneficiaries, heirs, and successors.
- 5.9 <u>Titles and Captions</u>: Paragraph titles or captions contained in this Agreement are inserted only as a matter of convenience and for reference and in no way define, limit, extend or describe the scope of this Agreement or the intent of any provision hereof.
- 5.10 <u>Execution:</u> CBMEX and the City hereby execute this Agreement by their authorized representatives. An executed faxed signature page of this Agreement will have the same force and effect as an executed original. The Agreement may be signed in counterparts.

The undersigned Parties have read the foregoing Agreement and accept and agree to the provisions it contains and hereby execute it voluntarily with full understanding of its consequences.

CONFIRMED AND AGREED TO ON BEHALF OF:

NAME:

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DATED: July 25, 2006

ATTORNEY FOR CEMEX, INC.

BURKE, WILLIAMS & SORENSEN, LLP.

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I am employed in the City and County of Los Angeles, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action; my business address is: 1900 Avenue of the Stars, 7th Floor, Los Angeles, California 90067.

On August 15, 2006 I served the document(s) described as **REQUEST FOR DISMISSAL** in this action by placing the true copies thereof enclosed in sealed envelopes addressed as follows:

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December 22, 2017

VIA E-MAIL AND HAND DELIVERY

Mary Cusick, City Clerk City of Santa Clarita 23920 Valencia Blvd., Suite 120 Santa Clarita, CA 91355 mcusick@santa-clarita.com

Re: CEMEX, Inc.'s Claim for (1) Breach of Contract; (2) Tortious Interference with Contractual Relations; and (3) Conversion, pursuant to the California Government Claims Act, Cal. Gov't Code § 900 et seq.

Dear Ms. Cusick:

As attorneys for and on behalf of our client CEMEX, Inc. ("CEMEX"), we hereby submit to the City of Santa Clarita ("City") this claim for damages for (1) breach of contract; (2) tortious interference with contractual relations; and (3) conversion, pursuant to the California Government Claims Act, Cal. Gov't Code § 900 et seq. and Santa Clarita Municipal Code § 3.16.010.

I. Introduction and summary

As the City is aware, CEMEX has two contracts ("Federal Contracts") with the U.S. Bureau of Land Management ("BLM") to mine and sell 56.1 million tons of sand and gravel in the unincorporated area of Los Angeles County known as Soledad Canyon, near but outside the City limits. The sand and gravel are owned by the United States and managed by BLM. The Federal Contracts give CEMEX the exclusive right to extract, process, and sell the sand and gravel, subject to royalties to be paid by CEMEX to BLM, along with the accompanying right to use the surface for such mining operations. BLM has issued a Record of Decision approving of CEMEX's mining plan, and Los Angeles County has issued a Surface Mining Permit, for the mining project, which is formally known as the Soledad Canyon Sand and Gravel Mining Project ("Soledad Canyon Project"). CEMEX is currently pursuing the remaining ancillary permits required to begin mining operations, as discussed in more detail below.

As the City is also aware, the City has a long history of interfering with and opposing the Soledad Canyon Project. The City has brought multiple lawsuits concerning the Project's

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entitlements, all of which have failed and a number of which resulted in significant awards of attorneys' fees against the City as sanctions for bad faith litigation. The City has also tried multiple times to assert jurisdiction over the Soledad Canyon Project site, including by extending the City's sphere of influence in 2000 and attempting to annex the site and surrounding area in 2005 ("2005 Annexation Project"). All of these efforts have also failed. As the City is aware, the City's 2005 Annexation Project resulted in a settlement agreement between CEMEX and the City, entered into in 2006 after CEMEX sued the City for failing to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), Cal. Pub. Res. Code § 21000 et seq. Among the provisions contained in the Settlement Agreement is an express mandate that the City prepare an Environmental Impact Report ("EIR") for the 2005 Annexation Project or for "any annexation plans similar thereto." See Settlement Agreement, § 1.2. The City is also required to provide CEMEX notice of hearing, meetings, documents, and other matters in connection with any such annexation plans. Id., §§ 1.5-1.6. A true and correct copy of the Settlement Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

The City has now undertaken additional actions to try to stop and otherwise interfere with the Soledad Canyon Project. Specifically, the City has prepared and proposed the Eastside Open Space Annexation project, Master Case No. 17-178, for the annexation of approximately 2,694 acres of land, which area includes nearly the entirety of the Soledad Canyon Project site. Master Case No. 17-178, which the City initiated on September 12, 2017, consists of Annexation 17-001, Prezone 17-001, General Plan Amendment 17-002 and Negative Declaration/Initial Study ("ND/IS") 17-009 (collectively, "2017 Annexation Project"). The City's Planning Commission issued the ND/IS on November 14, 2017, closed the public comment period on December 5, 2017, and issued Resolution No. P17-17 on December 5, 2017. Resolution No. P17-17 recommends that the City Council adopt the ND/IS and approve the proposed prezoning and General Plan amendments. The City provided no notice to CEMEX of the 2017 Annexation Project, including the availability of the ND/IS, and has not prepared an EIR for that Project. These actions violate the Settlement Agreement, CEQA, the City's General Plan, and the California Surface Mining and Reclamation Act ("SMARA"), Cal. Pub. Res. Code § 2710 et seq.

With the 2017 Annexation Project, the City is attempting to do again what it tried to do, and was prevented from doing, before: use an unlawful process to annex the Soledad Canyon Project site in an effort to stop and otherwise interfere with the Soledad Canyon Project and CEMEX's valuable Federal Contracts. By its actions, the City has breached the Settlement Agreement, tortiously interfered with CEMEX's contractual relations, and has caused or will cause the conversion of CEMEX's personal property. In connection with these harms, CEMEX has incurred, and continues to incur, damages for which it is entitled to full compensation under the Government Claims Act (also called the Government Tort Claims Act), Cal. Gov't Code § 900 et seq., and Santa Clarita Municipal Code § 3.16.010.





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II. CEMEX is entitled to monetary damages for breach of contract.

Section 1.2 of the Settlement Agreement obligates the City to prepare an EIR for the 2005 Annexation Project and for "any annexation plans similar thereto." See Exhibit A, § 1.2. The City's 2017 Annexation Project constitutes an "annexation similar thereto" to the 2005 Annexation Project for the following reasons: (1) both annexation projects would annex nearly the entire CEMEX Soledad Canyon Project site; (2) both projects would annex the same portions of the CEMEX Soledad Canyon Project site; and (3) both projects require zoning amendments and amendments to the City's General Plan and sphere of influence, as well as prezoning, to permit annexation of the Soledad Canyon Project site. The Soledad Canyon Project remains unchanged relative to the City's two annexation attempts; it was fully reviewed and entitled in 2005, and remains fully reviewed and entitled in 2017. The City breached the specific terms and implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing embodied in the Settlement Agreement when it prepared an ND/IS in lieu of an EIR as required by Section 1.2 of the Settlement Agreement.

The City has also violated the notice requirements of Sections 1.5 and 1.6 of the Settlement Agreement. Section 1.5 requires the City to "provide written notice of any public hearing, public meeting, or public workshop regarding the Project or the EIR to CEMEX and its counsel of record at least ten (10) business days prior to any such" hearing, meeting, or workshop, public hearing, and copies of any other notices required by law, including the Notice of Preparation and Notice of Completion of the Draft EIR. Further, Section 1.6 requires the City to email CEMEX copies of any agenda item and/or staff report "regarding the Annexation Project" as soon as such items are available to the public. Since the City was required to prepare an EIR for the 2017 Annexation Project pursuant to Section 1.2 of the Settlement Agreement, it was also required to provide the notices mandated by Sections 1.5 and 1.6 prior to any pertinent' public hearings. The City has failed to comply with these provisions of the Settlement Agreement, and refuses to provide Plaintiff with the requisite documentation. The City's failure to do so is a breach of the Settlement Agreement. The timely delivery of such notices was and is especially important to CEMEX in that CEMEX, as the proponent of the Soledad Canyon Project, is legally and contractually entitled to a meaningful opportunity to be heard in the annexation process, particularly the CEQA review of the 2017 Annexation Project.

The City's actions are not taken in good faith. Though the City publicly acknowledged during the August 23, 2006, scoping session that the EIR process was the result of a litigation settlement, the City's actions and representations regarding the 2017 Annexation Project are unresponsive to, and inconsistent with, the underlying substance of CEMEX's lawsuit and the "spirit" of that settlement. All parties understood and contractually acknowledged that the annexation of the Soledad Canyon site could lead to potentially significant environmental impacts, and that CEMEX, as the proponent of the Soledad Canyon Project, deserved a meaningful opportunity to be heard in the City's process of considering those impacts. It was for these reasons that the City obligated itself to analyze the potentially significant impacts of the annexation of the Soledad Canyon site in an EIR, and to notify and include CEMEX in the review and approval process.



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As a result of the City's material breaches of the Settlement Agreement, CEMEX may be deprived of its right to the preparation of an EIR in connection with the City's 2017 Annexation Project, a right provided, *inter alia*, in the Settlement Agreement. As a further result of the City's breaches of the Settlement Agreement, CEMEX may be deprived of an adequate forum to respond to the City's annexation plans because CEMEX has never timely received notification of public hearings and meetings pertinent to the 2017 Annexation Project as required by Sections 1.5 and 1.6 of the Settlement Agreement.

The City's material breaches of the Settlement Agreement are the legal cause of significant harm to CEMEX, resulting in significant damages. CEMEX is currently in the process of objecting to, commenting on, appealing, and challenging the 2017 Annexation Project and the City's actions taken in connection therewith, in order to try to mitigate the damages the City has caused and will continue to cause in the future as a result of its breach of contract. Accordingly, CEMEX's damages include, but are not limited to, the significant fees and costs that CEMEX has incurred in undertaking these actions, including the preparation by CEMEX and its attorneys and consultants of administrative letters, appeals, protests, comments, and court filings, and other related or anticipated actions. These actions, and the resulting damages, are ongoing and increasing, and continue to increase as long as the City continues its wrongful conduct. In addition, these breaches of contract, if unremedied, will result in the City being responsible for all damages caused by the City's interference, including potentially the amount of profit CEMEX could anticipate if the Federal Contracts were performed.

III. CEMEX is entitled to monetary damages for tortious interference with contractual relations.

The City's 2017 Annexation Project also constitutes tortious interference with CEMEX's contractual relations. The City is well aware of CEMEX's contractual relationship with BLM for the extraction and sale of minerals. The City has undertaken every effort to interfere with that relationship, including (but not limited to) the City's prior unsuccessful 2005 Annexation Project. Indeed, the City all but admitted that the 2005 Annexation Project was designed to stop or otherwise interfere with the Soledad Canyon Project. The 2017 Annexation Project, which as described above is the same as the 2005 Annexation Project relative to the Settlement Agreement and the Soledad Canyon Project, is designed to serve the same unlawful purpose.

The City's intentional and unjustified interference with CEMEX's contractual relationship with BLM, by and through the 2017 Annexation Project, is making performance of the Federal Contracts substantially more expensive and difficult. Among other things, the 2017 Annexation Project would, if approved, make the City the lead agency under SMARA and change the zoning for the Soledad Canyon Project site, which changes the City might try to use to stop or otherwise interfere with the Project. Even without those changes, the documents associated with the 2017 Annexation Project, including the ND/IS, fail to mention or discuss the Soledad Canyon Project; the designation of the Soledad Canyon Project site and surrounding area as a regionally



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significant source of aggregates; the fact that the United States owned the mineral estate in and around the Soledad Canyon Project site; or the effect the 2017 Annexation Project might have on the Soledad Canyon Project. These unlawful omissions may complicate CEMEX's efforts to perform under the Federal Contracts, including its efforts to obtain the required ancillary permits from various federal, state, and local agencies, including, but not limited to, a Clean Water Act Section 404 permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; a Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement from the California Department of Fish & Wildlife; a permit to appropriate water from the State Water Resources Control Board; permits to construct and operate from the Air Pollution Control District; and traffic and building permits from the County of Los Angeles.

The City's conduct has subjected, and continues to subject, CEMEX to violations of its contractual, statutory, and common-law rights, thereby depriving CEMEX of its right to use the Contract Area for mineral extraction. The City's actions have forced and continue to force CEMEX to engage in a costly and time-consuming effort to oppose the City's improper annexation actions. CEMEX is currently in the process of objecting to, commenting on, appealing, and challenging the 2017 Annexation Project and the City's actions taken in connection therewith. Accordingly, the City is liable for monetary damages, which include the amount of money CEMEX would have made under the Federal Contracts, had it not been delayed or otherwise prevented by the City from exercising its rights pursuant to those Federal Contracts. The City is also liable for the significant fees and costs that CEMEX has incurred. and will continue to incur, in commenting on and opposing the 2017 Annexation Project, including the preparation by CEMEX and its attorneys and consultants of letters and court filings and other anticipated actions. These actions, and the resulting damages, are ongoing and increasing, and continue to increase as long as the City continues its wrongful conduct. In addition, this tortious interference, if unremedied, will result in the City being responsible for all damages caused by the City's interference, including potentially the amount of profit CEMEX could anticipate if the Federal Contracts were fully performed.

IV. CEMEX is entitled to monetary damages for conversion of CEMEX's personal property.

The City is also liable for conversion of CEMEX's personal property as a result of its 2017 Annexation Project. The City has intentionally interfered with CEMEX's personal property—the minerals that CEMEX is legally entitled to mine and sell as part of the Soledad Canyon Project—with the only apparent goal being to prevent CEMEX from accessing those minerals.

CEMEX has never consented to this conversion, and has in fact, vigorously opposed the City's wrongful and actionable conduct. As a direct and proximate result of the City's conduct, CEMEX is entitled to the fair market value of the minerals converted, as well as reasonable compensation for the time and money spent by CEMEX to gain and maintain access to its personal property.



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V. Conclusion

CEMEX has incurred, and will continue to incur, significant damages as a result of the City's breach of contract, tortious interference with contractual relations, and conversion of personal property. CEMEX has also incurred, and will continue to incur, significant fees and costs associated with commenting on and opposing the 2017 Annexation Project, including the preparation by CEMEX and its attorneys and consultants of letters and court filings and other anticipated actions. As the party solely responsible for these damages, the City is liable for all such fees and costs. Although not yet fully quantified, these damages substantially exceed the jurisdictional limitation for unlimited civil cases.

The Government Claims Act provides that the City "shall act on a claim . . . within 45 days after the claim has been presented." Cal. Gov't Code § 912.4. Should the City fail to respond within this time, CEMEX will deem the claim rejected, and will amend its complaint for injunctive and declaratory relief to demand monetary damages, filed today in Superior Court for the County of Los Angeles (Cemex, Inc. v. City of Santa Clarita, case number not yet assigned), for the significant damages, fees, and costs that CEMEX has incurred as a result of the City's unlawful actions. This letter is provided by CEMEX with a full reservation of all rights and defenses, and nothing contained in or omitted from this letter or the enclosures hereto shall be deemed an admission or waiver of any kind. All rights are reserved.

Please send all notices, determinations, and related correspondence to CEMEX's counsel, Kerry Shapiro, at Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell, Two Embarcadero Center, 5th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94111-3813.

Very truly yours,

MATTHEW D. HINKS of

Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell LLP

cc:

Kerry Shapiro

Enclosure





EXHIBIT A

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SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This Settlement Agreement is entered into as of this _____ day of July, 2006, by and between CEMEX, Inc., a Louisiana Corporation ("CEMEX"), and the City of Santa Clarita (the "City") (CEMEX and the City are referred to collectively herein as the "Parties").

This Settlement Agreement is made with reference to the following facts:

WHEREAS, in 2005, the City initiated a project (Master Case 05-270) to amend the City's General Plan (GPA 05-007), prezone approximately 1,885-acres east of the City in the Soledad Canyon area of Los Angeles County ("Soledad Canyon Area"), expand its sphere of influence, and annex the area into the City (the "Annexation Project");

WHEREAS, the City prepared an Initial Study/Negative Declaration, Master Case 05-270 pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code Section 2710, et seq. ("CEQA");

WHEREAS, CEMEX submitted a September 29, 2005 comment letter on the Initial Study/Negative Declaration, claiming that the City was required to prepare a full Environmental Impact Report under CEQA for the Annexation Project;

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Land Management and C.A. Rasmussen (a property owner in the vicinity of the Annexation Project area) also submitted comments claiming that the City was required to prepare an EIR for the Annexation Project;

WHEREAS, on October 4, 2005, the City's Planning Commission conducted a public hearing and adopted Resolution No. P05-042 recommending that the City Council: (a) approve General Plan Amendment 05-007 and Prezone 05-001; (b) adopt the Negative Declaration prepared for the Annexation Plan; and (c) adopt a Resolution of Application to submit to LAFCO an application to annex the East Santa Clarita Annexation Area to the City of Santa Clarita;

WHEREAS, in an October 11, 2005 letter to the City, CEMEX requested that the City deny the Annexation Project;

WHEREAS, the City Council subsequently:

- (1) Adopted Resolution No. 05-130, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 05-007 [MASTER CASE 05-270] AND ADOPTING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE EAST SANTA CLARITA ANNEXATION AREA, LOCATED EAST OF CITY BOUNDARIES IN CANYON COUNTRY NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF SOLEDAD CANYON ROAD AND SR 14 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES;
- (2) Adopted Resolution No. 05-131, "A RESOLUTION OF APPLICATION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING THAT THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION OF LOS

ANGELES COUNTY INITIATE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN UNINHABITED TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA EAST SANTA CLARITA ANNEXATION [MASTER CASE NO. 05-270]");

- (3) Approved General Plan Amendment 05-007; and
- (4) Adopted Ordinance No. 05-17, entitled "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, CALIFORNIA, TO APPROVE PREZONE NO. 05-001 (MASTER CASE 05-270) FOR THE EAST SANTA CLARITA ANNEXATION AREA GENERALLY LOCATED EAST OF CITY BOUNDARIES IN CANYON COUNTRY NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF SOLEDAD CANYON ROAD AND SR 14 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES" (collectively "the Resolutions)

WHEREAS on November 28, 2005, the City submitted application number 2005-36 to the Los Angeles County Local Agency Formation Commission ('LAFCO"), to seek permission to annex the proposed area in the Soledad Canyon Area ('LAFCO Application');

WHEREAS on December 14, 2005, CEMEX filed a writ of mandate and complaint for declaratory and injunctive relief against the City, entitled CEMEX, Inc. v. The City of Santa Clarita, Superior Court for the State of California, County of Los Angeles, Case No. BS100710 (the "CEQA Lawsuit"), alleging that the City's adoption of the Negative Declaration and the accompanying Resolutions were in violation of CEQA and that a full-blown EIR was required for the Annexation Project, and seeking to set aside the City's adoption of the Negative Declaration and the accompanying resolutions on that basis, among other claims;

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to compromise and settle and resolve all controversies, relating to the Negative Declaration and the Resolutions, to bring these matters to a conclusion and to avoid incurring costs and expenses which would be incident to the prosecution and defense of the CEOA lawsuit arising from these disputed matters.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties, for good and adequate consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, agree as follows:

1. PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT; WITHDRAWAL OF THE RESOLUTIONS

- 1.1 Any and all actions taken by the City prior to the effective date of this Agreement relating to annexation of the Soledad Canyon Area, which includes Master Case 05-270, shall hereby be rescinded, and shall not constitute an approval of the Annexation Project under any applicable statutes, rules and regulations, including CEQA;
- 1.2 The Annexation Project, as defined above, or any annexation plans similar thereto, shall require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report ("EIR") pursuant to CEQA;
- 1.3 Until such time as the City has rescinded its decisions to adopt the Resolutions, decertified the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Annexation

Project, and has prepared and certified an EIR for the Annexation Project, the City shall refrain from taking any action relative to the Annexation Project, including any continued prosecution of the LAFCO Application, or taking any other action that constitutes an "approval" of the Annexation Project as defined in California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15352;

- 1.4 A representative of CEMEX shall attend and meaningfully participate in any scoping meetings, required by CEQA, conducted on behalf of the City that facilitate the preparation of the EIR. The City shall provide CEMEX and its attorneys of record notice of each scoping meeting at least ten (10) business days prior to that meeting, or earlier if required by law. Although CEMEX will meaningfully participate in the scoping meetings, CEMEX will retain the same rights as any other member of the public to comment on the draft EIR and object to the sufficiency of any EIR that the City may ultimately adopt. Furthermore, by participating in the CEQA scoping process, CEMEX in no way waives its rights to object to any proposed City annexation that includes the Soledad Canyon Area, or any specific parcel(s) of land within the Soledad Canyon Area.
- The City shall provide written notice of any public hearing, public meeting, or public workshop regarding the Project or the EIR to CEMEX and its counsel of record at least ten (10) business days prior to any such public hearing, public meeting, or public workshop, or earlier if required by the applicable provisions of law. Additionally, copies of any other notices required by law relative to the Annexation Project, including but not limited to the Notice of Preparation and Notice of Completion of the Draft EIR, shall be mailed to CEMEX and its legal representative upon issuance.
- The City shall provide a copy of any agenda item and/or staff 1.6 report regarding the Annexation Project to CEMEX and to CEMEX's counsel of record by email as soon as such agenda item and/or staff report is available to the public.
- Upon issuance of the Draft EIR for the Project, the City shall make available a copy of the Draft EIR and all appendices thereto to CEMEX' counsel of record. CEMEX shall be responsible for picking up these documents from the City and shall be responsible for payment of all costs associated with reproduction of the Draft EIR that exceed \$50.00.
- 1.8 All notices and documents that are required to be provided to CEMEX and/or CEMEX's counsel of record shall be e-mailed to CEMEX and/or its counsel of record as follows:

Leslie S. White Executive Vice President and General Counsel CEMEX, Inc. 840 Gessner, Suite 1400 Houston, Texas 77024 Facsimile: (713) 722-5110

E-Mail: lwhite@cemexusa.com

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2. THE CEQA LAWSUIT

- Within five (5) days of the effective date of this Agreement, CEMEX shall file a Request for Dismissal of the CEQA Lawsuit. The dismissal shall be without prejudice.
- 2.2 The Parties shall bear their own attorneys' fees and costs incurred in the CEQA Lawsuit.

3. THE LAFCO APPLICATION

- Within five (5) days of the effective date of this Agreement, the City shall instruct LAFCO, in writing, to cease all further processing of the LAFCO Application until such time as the City certifies an BIR for the Annexation Project, as defined above, or any annexation plans similar thereto, pursuant to CEQA. The City shall copy CEMEX on this written communication to LAFCO. The parties listed in Paragraph 1.8 of this Agreement shall receive a copy of the letter by e-mail on the same date that it is sent.
- The Parties recognize that CEMEX believes withdrawal of the LAFCO Application is required by California law and the City believes that such a withdrawal is unnecessary. Therefore, the Parties agree that CEMEX reserves any and all rights it has to challenge the LAFCO Application in any future proceeding on the basis that it should have been withdrawn once the Resolutions were rescinded.

4. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES:

Knowledge and Consent of Parties: The Parties to this Agreement mutually warrant and represent that they have read and understand this Agreement and that this Agreement is executed voluntarily and without duress or undue influence on the part of or on behalf of any Party hereto. The Parties hereby acknowledge that they have been represented in negotiations and for the preparation of this Agreement by counsel of their own choice, that they have read this Agreement and have had it fully explained to them by such counsel, and that they

are fully aware of the contents of this Agreement and of the legal effect of each and every provision thereof.

- 4.2 <u>Authority:</u> Each Party who signs this Agreement warrants that it has full authority to enter into the Agreement and will defend, indemnify, and hold harmless all other Parties if that authority is later challenged.
- 4.3 <u>Capacity:</u> Each Party who signs this Agreement specifically represents that it has the capacity to enter into this Agreement.

5. <u>MISCELLANEOUS:</u>

- 5.1 <u>Construction, Jurisdiction, Etc.</u>: This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of California. The Parties and their counsel have participated in the preparation of this Agreement and this Agreement is the result of the joint efforts of the Parties. Any uncertainty or ambiguity existing in this Agreement shall not be interpreted against any Party as a result of the manner of the preparation of this Agreement.
- 5.2 <u>Enforcement Costs:</u> If any Party brings an action to enforce the terms of this Agreement or to declare rights hereunder, the prevailing party in any such action, trial and appeal, shall be entitled to her or his reasonable attorneys' fees and costs to be paid by the losing Party or Parties.
- 5.3 <u>Successors:</u> This Agreement and each and all of the representations, warranties and covenants of the Parties made herein are binding upon the Parties and each and all of their respective successors, assigns, heirs and representatives.
- 5.4 Entire Agreement: This Agreement contains the sole and entire agreement and understanding of the Parties with respect to the entire subject matter hereof, and any and all prior discussions, negotiations, commitments or understandings related thereto, if any, are hereby merged herein and therein. No representations, oral or otherwise, express or implied, other than those specifically referred to in this Agreement have been made by any Party hereto. No other agreements not specifically contained or referenced herein, or otherwise, shall be deemed to exist or to bind any of the Parties hereto.
- 5.5 No Reliance: Each Party hereby represents and acknowledges that in executing this Agreement, such Party does not rely and has not relied upon any representation or statement made by any of the Parties or their agents or representatives with regard to the subject matter, basis or effect of this Agreement except as those specifically stated in this written Agreement.
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- 5.7 <u>Waiver, Modification and Amendment:</u> No provision hereof may be waived unless in writing signed by all Parties hereto. Walver of any one provision herein shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any other provision herein. This Agreement may be amended or modified only by a written agreement executed by all of the Parties hereto.
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- 5.10 Execution: CEMEX and the City hereby execute this Agreement by their authorized representatives. An executed faxed signature page of this Agreement will have the same force and effect as an executed original. The Agreement may be signed in counterparts.

The undersigned Parties have read the foregoing Agreement and accept and agree to the provisions it contains and hereby execute it voluntarily with full understanding of its consequences.

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JOEL D. DEUTSCH

DATED: July 25, 2006

ATTORNEY FOR CEMEX, INC.

BURKE, WILLIAMS & SORENSEN, LLP.

DATED: July 26, 2006

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA, CITY AND COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

I am employed in the City and County of Los Angeles, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action; my business address is: 1900 Avenue of the Stars, 7th Floor, Los Angeles, California 90067.

On August 15, 2006 I served the document(s) described as **REQUEST FOR DISMISSAL** in this action by placing the true copies thereof enclosed in sealed envelopes addressed as follows:

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- Plaintiff must file this cover sheet with the first paper filed in the action or proceeding (except small claims cases or cases filed under the Probate Code, Family Code, or Welfare and Institutions Code). (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.220.) Failure to file may result in sanctions.
- File this cover sheet in addition to any cover sheet required by local court rule.

6. If there are any known related cases, file and serve a notice of related case.

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- If this case is complex under rule 3.400 et seq. of the California Rules of Court, you must serve a copy of this cover sheet on all
 other parties to the action or proceeding.
- Unless this is a collections case under rule 3.740 or a complex case, this cover sheet will be used for statistical purposes only.

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar Numb

Matthew D. Hinks (Bar No. 200750); Lara R. Leitner (Bar No. 303162)

1900 Avenue of the Stars, 7th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90067

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Date: December 22, 2017
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INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO COMPLETE THE COVER SHEET

To Plaintiffs and Others Filing First Papers. If you are filing a first paper (for example, a complaint) in a civil case, you must complete and file, along with your first paper, the Civil Case Cover Sheet contained on page 1. This information will be used to compile statistics about the types and numbers of cases filed. You must complete items 1 through 6 on the sheet. In item 1, you must check one box for the case type that best describes the case. If the case fits both a general and a more specific type of case listed in item 1, check the more specific one. If the case has multiple causes of action, check the box that best indicates the primary cause of action. To assist you in completing the sheet, examples of the cases that belong under each case type in item 1 are provided below. A cover sheet must be filed only with your initial paper. Failure to file a cover sheet with the first paper filed in a civil case may subject a party, its counsel, or both to sanctions under rules 2.30 and 3.220 of the California Rules of Court.

To Parties In Rule 3,740 Collections Cases. A "collections case" under rule 3.740 is defined as an action for recovery of money owed in a sum stated to be certain that is not more than \$25,000, exclusive of interest and attorney's fees, arising from a transaction in which property, services, or money was acquired on credit. A collections case does not include an action seeking the following: (1) tort damages, (2) punitive damages, (3) recovery of real property, (4) recovery of personal property, or (5) a prejudgment writ of attachment. The identification of a case as a rule 3.740 collections case on this form means that it will be exempt from the general time-for-service requirements and case management rules, unless a defendant files a responsive pleading. A rule 3.740 collections case will be subject to the requirements for service and obtaining a judgment in rule 3.740.

To Parties in Complex Cases. In complex cases only, parties must also use the Civil Case Cover Sheet to designate whether the case is complex. If a plaintiff believes the case is complex under rule 3.400 of the California Rules of Court, this must be indicated by completing the appropriate boxes in items 1 and 2. If a plaintiff designates a case as complex, the cover sheet must be served with the complaint on all parties to the action. A defendant may file and serve no later than the time of its first appearance a joinder in the plaintiff's designation, a counter-designation that the case is not complex, or, if the plaintiff has made no designation, a designation that the case is complex.

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Auto Tort
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Auto (22)-Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death Uninsured Motorist (46) (if the case Involves an uninsured motorist claim subject to arbitration, check this Item instead of Auto)

Other PI/PD/WD (Personal Injury/ Property Damage/Wrongful Death)

Asbestos (04)

Asbestos Property Damage Asbestos Personal Injury/ Wrongful Death Product Liability (not asbestos or toxic/environmental) (24) Medical Malpractice (45) Medical Malpractice-

Physicians & Surgeons Other Professional Health Care Malpractice

Other PI/PD/WD (23)

Premises Liability (e.g., slip

Intentional Bodily Injury/PD/WD (e.g., assault, vandalism)

Intentional Infliction of **Emotional Distress** Negligent Infliction of

Emotional Distress Other PI/PD/WD

Non-PI/PD/WD (Other) Tort

Business Tort/Unfair Business Practice (07)

Civil Rights (e.g., discrimination, false arrest) (not civil

harassment) (08) Defamation (e.g., slander, libel)

Fraud (16) P-_ 1

Intellectual Property (19) Professional Negligence (25)

Legal Malpractice N. 1 Other Professional Malpractice

(not medical or legal) Other Non-PI/PD/WD Tort (35) Employment

Wrongful Termination (36) Other Employment (15)

CASE TYPES AND EXAMPLES

Contract Breach of Contract/Warranty (06)

Breach of Rental/Lease Contract (not unlawful detainer or wrongful eviction) Contract/Warranty Breach-Seller

Plaintiff (not fraud or negligence) Negligent Breach of Contract/ Warranty

Other Breach of Contract/Warranty Collections (e.g., money owed, open book accounts) (09)

Collection Case-Seller Plaintiff Other Promissory Note/Collections Case

Insurance Coverage (not provisionally complex) (18)

Auto Subrogation Other Coverage Other Contract (37)

Contractual Fraud Other Contract Dispute

Real Property

Eminent Domain/Inverse Condemnation (14)

Wrongful Eviction (33)

Other Real Property (e.g., quiet title) (26) Writ of Possession of Real Property

Mortgage Foredosure **Quiet Title**

Other Real Property (not eminent domain, landlord/tenant, or

foreclosure)

Unlawful Detainer

Commercial (31) Residential (32)

Drugs (38) (if the case involves illegal drugs, check this item; otherwise, report as Commercial or Residential)

Judicial Review

Asset Forfeiture (05)

Petition Re: Arbitration Award (11)

Writ of Mandate (02)

Writ-Administrative Mandamus Writ-Mandamus on Limited Court

Case Matter Writ-Other Limited Court Case Review

Other Judicial Review (39) Review of Health Officer Order Notice of Appeal-Labor

Commissioner Appeals

Provisionally Complex Civil Litigation (Cal. Rules of Court Rules 3.400-3.403)

Antitrust/Trade Regulation (03) Construction Defect (10) Claims Involving Mass Tort (40) Securities Litigation (28)

Environmental/Toxic Tort (30) Insurance Coverage Claims

(arising from provisionally complex case type listed above) (41)

Enforcement of Judgment

Enforcement of Judgment (20) Abstract of Judgment (Out of

County) Confession of Judgment (nondomestic relations)

Sister State Judgment Administrative Agency Award (not unpaid taxes)

Petition/Certification of Entry of Judgment on Unpaid Taxes

Other Enforcement of Judgment Case

Miscellaneous Civil Complaint RICO (27)

Other Complaint (not specified above) (42)

Declaratory Relief Only Injunctive Relief Only (non-

harassment) Mechanics Lien

Other Commercial Complaint Case (non-tort/non-complex)

Other Civil Complaint

(non-tort/non-complex) Miscellaneous Civil Petition

Partnership and Corporate

Governance (21) Other Petition (not specified above) (43)

Civil Harassment Workplace Violence Elder/Dependent Adult

Abuse **Election Contest**

Petition for Name Change Petition for Relief From Late Claim

Other Civil Petition

CIVIL CASE COVER SHEET ADDENDUM AND STATEMENT OF LOCATION (CERTIFICATE OF GROUNDS FOR ASSIGNMENT TO COURTHOUSE LOCATION)

This form is required pursuant to Local Rule 2.3 in all new civil case filings in the Los Angeles Superior Court.



- **Step 1:** After completing the Civil Case Cover Sheet (Judicial Council form CM-010), find the exact case type in Column A that corresponds to the case type indicated in the Civil Case Cover Sheet.
- Step 2: In Column B, check the box for the type of action that best describes the nature of the case.
- **Step 3:** In Column C, circle the number which explains the reason for the court filing location you have chosen.

Applicable Reasons for Choosing Court Filing Location (Column C)

- 1. Class actions must be filed in the Stanley Mosk Courthouse, Central District.
- 2. Permissive filing in central district.
- 3. Location where cause of action arose.
- 4. Mandatory personal injury filing in North District.
- 5. Location where performance required or defendant resides.
- 6. Location of property or permanently garaged vehicle.

- 7. Location where petitioner resides.
- 8. Location wherein defendant/respondent functions wholly.
- 9. Location where one or more of the parties reside.
- 10. Location of Labor Commissioner Office.
- 11. Mandatory filing location (Hub Cases unlawful detainer, Ilmited non-collection, limited collection, or personal injury).

	A Clvll Case Cover Sheet Calegory No.	B Type of Action (Check only one)	C Applicable Reasons – See Step 3 Above
	Auto (22)	A7100 Motor Vehicle - Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death	1, 4, 11
Auto	Uninsured Motorist (46)	A7110 Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death - Uninsured Motorist	1, 4, 11,
ξιπ	Asbestos (04)	A6070 Asbestos Property Damage A7221 Asbestos - Personal Injury/Wrongful Death	1, 11 1, 11
Propei ath To	Product Liability (24)	A7260 Product Liability (not asbestos or toxic/environmental)	1, 4, 11
Personal Injury/ Property ge/ Wrongful Death Tort	Medical Malpractice (45)	A7210 Medical Malpractice - Physicians & Surgeons A7240 Other Professional Health Care Malpractice	1, 4, 11 1, 4, 11
Other Personal Injury/ Property Damage/ Wrongful Death Tort	Other Personal Injury Property Damage Wrongful Death (23)	A7250 Premises Liability (e.g., slip and fall) A7230 Intentional Bodily Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death (e.g., assault, vandalism, etc.) A7270 Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress A7220 Other Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death	1, 4, 11 1, 4, 11 1, 4, 11 1, 4, 11

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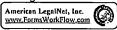


SHORT TITLE:	CASE NUMBER
Cemex, Inc. v. City of Santa Clarita.	

	A Civil Case Cover Sheet Category No.	Type of Action (Check only one)	C Applicable Reasons: See Step 3 Above
	Business Tort (07)	A6029 Other Commercial/Business Tort (not fraud/breach of contract)	1, 2, 3
perty Tort	Civil Rights (08)	A6005 Civil Rights/Discrimination	1, 2, 3
ny/ Pro i Deatl	Defamation (13)	A6010 Defamation (slander/libel)	1, 2, 3
al Inju ongful	Fraud (16)	A6013 Fraud (no contract)	1, 2, 3
Non-Personal Injury/ Property Damage/ Wrongful Death Tort	Professional Negligence (25)	☐ A6017 Legal Malpractice ☐ A6050 Other Professional Malpractice (not medical or legal)	1, 2, 3 1, 2, 3
žö	Other (35)	A6025 Other Non-Personal Injury/Property Damage tort	1, 2, 3
ent.	Wrongful Termination (36)	A6037 Wrongful Termination	1, 2, 3
Employment	Other Employment (15)	A6024 Other Employment Complaint Case A6109 Labor Commissioner Appeals	1, 2, 3 10
	Breach of Contract/ Warranty (06) (not insurance)	 A6004 Breach of Rental/Lease Contract (not unlawful detainer or wrongful eviction) A6008 Contract/Warranty Breach -Seller Plaintiff (no fraud/negligence) A6019 Negligent Breach of Contract/Warranty (no fraud) A6028 Other Breach of Contract/Warranty (not fraud or negligence) 	2, 5 2, 5 1, 2, 5 1 <u>2</u>)5
Contract	Collections (09)	A6002 Collections Case-Seller Plaintiff A6012 Other Promissory Note/Collections Case A6034 Collections Case-Purchased Debt (Charged Off Consumer Debt Purchased on or after January 1, 2014)	5, 6, 11 5, 11 5, 6, 11
	Insurance Coverage (18)	A6015 Insurance Coverage (not complex)	1, 2, 5, 8
	Other Contract (37)	A6009 Contractual Fraud A6031 Tortious Interference A6027 Other Contract Dispute(not breach/insurance/fraud/negligence)	1, 2, 3, 5 1, 2, 3, 5 1, 2, 3, 8, 9
	Eminent Domain/Inverse Condemnation (14)	A7300 Eminent Domain/Condemnation Number of parcels	2, 6
perty	Wrongful Eviction (33)	A6023 Wrongful Eviction Case	2, 6
Real Property	Other Real Property (26)	A6018 Mortgage Foreclosure A6032 Quiet Title A6060 Other Real Property (not eminent domain, landlord/tenant, foreclosure)	2, 6 2, 6 2, 6
iner	Unlawful Detainer-Commercial (31)	A6021 Unlawful Detainer-Commercial (not drugs or wrongful eviction)	6, 11
Zaraca (za za z	Unlawful Detainer-Residential (32)	A6020 Unlawful Detainer-Residential (not drugs or wrongful eviction)	6, 11
Z 3 M Z 3 Z 3 Z 3 Z 3 Z 3 Z 3 Z 3 Z 3 Z	Unlawful Detainer- Post-Foreclosure (34)	A6020F Unlawful Detainer-Post-Foreclosure	2, 6, 11
⊃̃	Unlawful Detainer-Drugs (38)	A6022 Unlawful Detainer-Drugs	2, 6, 11

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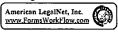
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Cemex, Inc. v. City of Santa Clarita.	

	A Civil Case Cover Sheet Category No.	B Type of Action (Check only one)	C Applicable Reasons See Step 3 Above
	Asset Forfeiture (05)	A6108 Asset Forfeiture Case	2, 3, 6
Me e	Petitlon re Arbitration (11)	A6115 Petition to Compel/Confirm/Vacate Arbitration	2, 5
Judicial Review	Writ of Mandate (02)	A6151 Writ - Administrative Mandamus A6152 Writ - Mandamus on Limited Court Case Matter A6153 Writ - Other Limited Court Case Review	2, 8 2 2
	Other Judicial Review (39)	A6150 Other Writ /Judicial Review	2, 8
u.	Antitrust/Trade Regulation (03)	A6003 Antitrust/Trade Regulation	1, 2, 8
itigati	Construction Defect (10)	A6007 Construction Defect	1, 2, 3
Provisionally Complex Litigation	Claims Involving Mass Tort (40)	A6006 Claims Involving Mass Tort	1, 2, 8
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sional	Toxic Tort Environmental (30)	A6036 Toxic Tort/Environmental	1, 2, 3, 8
Provi	Insurance Coverage Claims from Complex Case (41)	A6014 Insurance Coverage/Subrogation (complex case only)	1, 2, 5, 8
Enforcement of Judgment	Enforcement of Judgment (20)	A6141 Sister State Judgment A6160 Abstract of Judgment Confession of Judgment (non-domestic relations) A6140 Administrative Agency Award (not unpaid taxes) A6114 Petition/Certificate for Entry of Judgment on Unpaid Tax A6112 Other Enforcement of Judgment Case	2, 5, 11 2, 6 2, 9 2, 8 2, 8 2, 8, 9
(A)	RICO (27)	A6033 Racketeering (RICO) Case	1, 2, 8
Miscellaneous Civil Complaints	Other Complaints (Not Specified Above) (42)	A6030 Declaratory Relief Only A6040 Injunctive Relief Only (not domestic/harassment) A6011 Other Commercial Complaint Case (non-tort/non-complex) A6000 Other Civil Complaint (non-tort/non-complex)	1, 2, 8 2, 8 1, 2, 8 1, 2, 8
	Partnership Corporation Governance (21)	A6113 Partnership and Corporate Governance Case	2, 8
Civil Petitions	Other Petitions (Not Specified Above) (43)	A6121 Civil Harassment A6123 Workplace Harassment A6124 Elder/Dependent Adult Abuse Case A6190 Election Contest A6110 Petition for Change of Name/Change of Gender A6170 Petition for Relief from Late Claim Law A6100 Other Civil Petition	2, 3, 9 2, 3, 9 2, 3, 9 2 2, 7 2, 3, 8 2, 9

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COMMENCE YOUR NEW COURT CASE:

- 1. Original Complaint or Petition.
- 2. If filing a Complaint, a completed Summons form for issuance by the Clerk.
- 3. Civil Case Cover Sheet, Judicial Council form CM-010.
- 4. Civil Case Cover Sheet Addendum and Statement of Location form, LACIV 109, LASC Approved 03-04 (Rev. 02/16).
- 5. Payment in full of the filing fee, unless there is court order for waiver, partial or scheduled payments.
- 6. A signed order appointing the Guardian ad Litem, Judicial Council form CIV-010, if the plaintiff or petitioner is a minor under 18 years of age will be required by Court in order to issue a summons.
- 7. Additional copies of documents to be conformed by the Clerk. Copies of the cover sheet and this addendum must be served along with the summons and complaint, or other initiating pleading in the case.

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