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RE: Chanate Campus RFP

Dear Judy,

At this time, the CalCHA/Catalyst/BUILD team is respectfully withdrawing its response to the Chanate Campus request for proposal. As we have become more familiar with the site and some of the legacy issues surrounding its development, we have concluded that we cannot justify the required expenditure of resources, bandwidth and capital with a long, uncertain and contentious entitlement process. In this particular case, the process is further complicated by the need to obtain approvals from two independent jurisdictions, the County of Sonoma and the City of Santa Rosa.

We believe that we have developed an ingenious and creative new way to build middle-income housing in a regional market that is so desperately in need of it. We now realize that the bond structure is best suited to the development of housing on previously-entitled sites where we can move quickly to construction.

Despite our decision, it has been a pleasure to work with County staff and the Board of Supervisors to create potential paths forward to meet Sonoma County's housing needs. Perhaps we will have the opportunity to work together in the future.

Sincerely,

California Community Housing Agency

Catalyst Housing Group LLC

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