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Honorable Clifford R. Anderson, III
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RE: Grand Jury Report on Guadalupe, dated May 20, 2003

The following is our response to the above referenced report.

Finding 15:

The Santa Barbara County Economic Development Advisory Committee approved a grant in the amount of \$45,700 to the Guadalupe Chamber of Commerce.

Recommendation 15:

The Santa Barbara County Office of the Auditor-Controller and the Santa Barbara County Counsel's Office should review the grant to determine if the current relationship between the Community Connection, Inc. and the Guadalupe Chamber of Commerce is consistent with the terms and conditions of the grant....

Management Comment:

We agree with the above finding and will work with the Auditor-Controller's Office to implement the recommendation that the Grant should be reviewed to determine the Guadalupe Chamber of Commerce's compliance and to resolve any problems. In the circumstances presented, we agree that County Counsel should review this grant to determine if its terms have been breached. When the contract and other pertinent documents are received, we will review them and report our findings.

We thank the Grand Jury for their attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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