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Honorable Valley Water Board Members,

I write now to follow up on my last email to you.

Please ask yourselves **who benefits from** and **who will be harmed by** any potential actions you may take in censuring a fellow Director for allegedly "potential theft" -- that is, on its oxymoronic face, for no good reason.

Here, Director Eisenberg *has not harmed anyone* by taking home documents she was entitled to view and I'm sure is also entirely entitled to obtain a physical copy of in the event there is any kind of lawsuit between her and Valley Water or any official thereof. Valley Water is able to reproduce these documents, surely. **In fact, it seems wasteful not to simply have all of these documents online with access 24X7 available solely to those who are entitled to view the documents, including Director Eisenberg.**

Enough is enough. You are all surely savvy enough to realize that **any action you may take in censuring Director Eisenberg will only benefit your CEO and will harm all of the Santa Clara County residents who Director Eisenberg represents.**

Your CEO has taken you by the nose down this insidious path. Are you going to allow yourselves to willingly become his tool or are you going to do the right thing -- which is apologize to Director Eisenberg and fire your CEO?

After all, your CEO has been a long part of Valley Water that has failed to provide my neighborhood from unsafe and extreme flood risks from the San Francisquito Creek for a quarter of a century -- that is 25 years. Our neighborhood feels severe anxiety every time there is strong rainfall. Meanwhile, your Valley Water is wasting money running pitiful ads that don't publicize your organization's massive failures, gross incompetence and arrogance -- for example, your staff's proposal not long ago to double the agricultural groundwater charge and thus put upward pressure on prices paid at the grocery store by low-income folks for locally grown produce.

I urge you do the right thing: please do not take any actions adverse to Director Eisenberg and refocus your attention instead on the matters of public interest noted above. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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