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Ernie Loveless Foreperson Sonoma County Grand Jury P.O. Box 5109 Santa Rosa CA 95402

Dear Mr. Loveless:

This letter is written in response to the Grand Jury's Final Report of 2012-2103. The Transportation and Public Works Department would like to thank you and the committee members for your hard work on behalf of the citizens of Sonoma County. There were two recommendations which required responses from our department. The responses are set forth below:

Santa Rosa City Streets - Who Turned the Lights Out?

Recommendation R1

Continue to monitor improvements in street lighting technology.

Response to Recommendation R1

Department of Transportation and Public Works staff has a long standing practice of staying current with improvements in street lighting technology. The Bay Area Climate Collaborative in particular provides frequent classes and direct support to agencies such as ours, and we frequently take advantage of this resource. We maintain close relationships with vendors of street light products, and get in-house demonstrations of new technology.

Recommendation R2

Periodically brief the Santa Rosa City Council and interested citizens on its plans for implementing new programs that will continue to control lighting costs, reduce greenhouse gasses, and provide safe and consistent light levels on City streets.

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Response to Recommendation R2

The City's website will be updated periodically as new street light technology initiatives are implemented. The Council will be briefed as part of the annual budget process, and as particular projects are brought to Council for their approval.

Should you have any questions regarding the above or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

RICHARD A. MOSHIER

Director of Transportation and Public Works

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cc: Hon. René Auguste Chouteau

Kathy Millison, City Manager Santa Rosa City Council