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To the Portola Hills Community:

We wanted to take this opportunity to reach out and provide an update on the current activities at our Portola Hills development. You may or may not have heard about, or detected yourself, an odd smell coming from a portion of our site. This odor is the result of organic material being exposed and reacting with the oxygen in the air. Rest assured this odor is not dangerous and we are currently in the process of removing the odorous material from the site.

Our consultants, along with representatives from the Southern California Air Quality Management District, are monitoring air quality levels at the site to ensure public safety. Furthermore, the City of Lake Forest has hired an independent expert who is also reviewing test results and has confirmed that the conditions are not hazardous to the surrounding community. During periods when we are not actively removing the material, such as evenings and weekends, we are spraying the disturbed areas and covering with plastic in an effort to reduce the odor. With the help of our consultants, we will continue to closely monitor the situation.

We apologize if the odor has caused any discomfort and want you to know that we are working hard to resolve the issue. We anticipate material removal to be completed later this month. Thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely,



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