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December 17, 2012

Orange County Grand Jury
700 Civic Center Dr. West
Santa Ana, CA 92701

SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO "TRANSPARENCY BREAKING UP COMPENSATION FOG"
REPORT

Dear Honorable Judge:

On December 4th the City of Seal Beach was contacted by the Grand Jury regarding a response from the City of Seal Beach to a request from the Grand Jury regarding Compensation Cost Transparency Report entitled "Transparency Breaking up Compensation Fog – But why hide the pension costs?" Mr. Nindy Mahal indicated that a request was sent to the City of Seal Beach dated June 20, 2012, and that the Grand Jury had not received a response from the City of Seal Beach.

The City of Seal Beach takes very seriously both being transparent in total compensation cost reporting, as well as being responsive to inquiries from the Grand Jury. Unfortunately, the June 20, 2012 letter of request was never received by the City of Seal Beach.

In that regard, the City of Seal Beach has reviewed the Report, and we hereby concur with recommendations within the Report regarding the reporting of compensation information on agency websites. The City of Seal Beach is currently in the process of reviewing and updating our website, and it is anticipated that we will be complete with that process by February 2013.

In the meantime, if there are any additional questions, please contact me directly at (562) 431-2527 ext. 1303 or via email at jingram@sealbeachca.gov.

Sincerely,

Jill R. Ingram
City Manager