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Robert Barry  
Planning Division  
201 N. Broadway  
Escondido, CA 92025-2798

**RE: Public Sewer Connection Urgency; 2417 Haas Street; APN 239-330-66**

Dear Mr. Barry,

The Department of Environmental Health & Quality (DEHQ) has received notification from Tunnell Plumbing and Drains (Lic. #1102033) that the onsite wastewater treatment system (OWTS) serving the existing residence at the address referenced above has failed and is in urgent need of replacement. The leach field is partially encumbered by intrusive roots which do not allow for proper draining of the system. However, there is limited usable area available for a compliant replacement system on the lot, and public sewer exists within 100' of the home. DEHQ requests the City of Escondido to allow this property to be annexed into to the city's sewer district in order to connect as soon as possible.

If there are any questions, I can be reached at (619) 613-1397 and [Cara.Schiksnis@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Cara.Schiksnis@sdcounty.ca.gov).

Thank you,

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