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Honorable Joseph C. Spero, United States Magistrate Judge United States District Court
Northern District of California
450 Golden Gate Avenue
Courtroom A, 15th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94102

RE:

<u>Defendant Patrick O'Connell's, in his Official Capacity as Clerk-Recorder for the County of Alameda, Response to this Court's Order [Document 267] in the Matter of PERRY V. SCHWARZENEGGER, Case No. C 09-2292 VRW</u>

Dear Honorable Judge Spero:

Defendant Patrick O'Connell, in his Official Capacity as Clerk-Recorder for the County of Alameda, (County) does not take a position on the terms of the proposed protective order. However, the County respectfully urges this Court to consider adopting language that minimally impacts the cost of enforcing any such protective order this Court should issue.

Very truly yours,

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