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August 5th, 2019

1448 N Oak Street Calistoga, CA 94515 Attn: Ralph Strauss

Subject: Structural Assessment of Decommissioned Water Tower

Dear Mr. Strauss

On August 2nd, 2019, I made a site visit to 1448 N Oak Street, in Calistoga at your request. The purpose of this visit was to review the current conditions of the decommissioned water tower structure and provide an overall structural assessment. It should be noted that at this time, only visual observations of readily accessible areas were provided. I did not conduct destructive testing or material tests of any kind and therefore we cannot guarantee future performance.

Based on field observations, it is my opinion the building poses a significant risk to life safety. The current structure does not have a comprehensive lateral system and does not have a foundation. As such, it is highly likely the building would collapse during a significant wind or seismic event. The extent of retrofit required to reinforce the building in a way that would prevent collapse is likely financially unfeasible. Therefore, I recommend demolishing the building to prevent future risks. My professional opinions are based upon generally accepted principles and practices of the civil and structural engineering professions, as well as my education and experience as a structural engineer. No other warranty, either expressed or implied, is made.

If you have any questions or comment, please feel free to contact us at 925.516.3502. Further design recommendations may be provided at your request.

Sincerely,

(Signature)

Justen Peek, P.E. (C76751)

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