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Tom C. Hui
Department of Building Inspection, Director
1660 Mission Street, Sixth Floor
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Dear Director Hui:

Thank you for working to prepare for this Thursday's Government Audit and Oversight hearing. In addition to the questions we transmitted on September 12, 2016, please be advised of the following questions, as well:

- What other projects have been built on friction piles in the city? Out of those projects, which friction piles go into clay and which go into sand? Please provide a list for the hearing and indicate whether the buildings are constructed out of steel or concrete.
- Please provide an overview of the dewatering and drilling preparation work that happened at 301 Mission Street prior to 2010.
- How many permit expeditors were involved with the 301 Mission project over the course of its vetting and approval process?
- How many inspectors does the Department of Building Inspection (DBI) employ and how many are necessary to evaluate projects over 120 feet? How many inspectors were assigned to evaluate the seismic safety and structural soundness of 301 Mission Street?
- What is the relationship of Consolidation Engineering Laboratories (CEL) to the 301 Mission Street project and any other projects since? What about Construction Testing Service (CTS) Inspection Company?
- Who signs off on Requests for Information from engineers within DBI typically? Who signed off on any Requests for Information on the 301 Mission Street project, as well as any inspection punch lists?
- Has the successful performance of tower buildings on pads in a seismic zone (particularly on poor quality soil deposits) been proven?

Thank you for your attention to these inquiries, and I look forward to the September 22 hearing.

Aaron Peskin