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Mr. Mike Jacob
Vice President and General Counsel
PMSA
70 Washington Street, Suite 305
Oakland, CA 94607

Re: Response to Request for Retraction of Alleged Statement

Dear Mr. Jacob:

This letter responds to your September 25, 2020 letter in which you complain about a quote you attribute to me from the August 27, 2020 meeting of the State Board of Pilot Commissioners and allege I defamed PMSA. Your letter goes on to accuse me of defamation and demands that I apologize in writing and share that apology with all the people you copied on your accusatory letter.

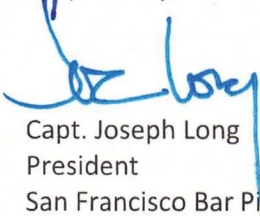
I did not say what you quote me as saying in your letter, but your written accusation that I did and your publication of your accusation is what is defamatory (and actionable).

I am left to ask myself what you sought to accomplish by impugning my integrity and publishing the accusation. I very much doubt you did it to advance the prospects for constructive dialogue, let alone good faith negotiations.

We remain interested in respectful, thoughtful and productive dialogue leading to resolution. If PMSA interested in the same, then let's both set this aside and get to work for our members and for the people of California.

We are available to discuss these issues in more detail if you believe it to be necessary.

Respectfully,



Capt. Joseph Long
President
San Francisco Bar Pilots

cc: President Dave Connolly, Board of Pilot Commissioners
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Allen Garfinkle, Executive Director, Board of Pilot Commissioners
Stephanie Dougherty, California State Transportation Agency