

MEMORANDUM

Date: February 15, 2017

To: The Honorable Chair and Members

Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry

County Administr

Re: Board of Supervisors February 21, 2017 Meeting - Agenda Item Nos. 7, 8 and 10

Regarding Foreign Trade Zone Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement for New Employer

Monsanto Company

Pursuant to the attached letter received this morning, Monsanto Company has decided to withdraw its proposal for a Foreign Trade Zone Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement with Pima County.

Based on Monsanto's decision, I am requesting that Item Nos. 7, 8 and 10 regarding this subject be removed from the Board's February 21, 2017 Agenda.

CHH/mjk

Attachment

c: Julie Castaneda, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Dr. John Moffatt, Director, Economic Development
Patrick Cavanaugh, Deputy Director, Economic Development

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Mr. C.H. Huckelberry County Administrator Pima County Governmental Center 130 W. Congress Street, Floor 10 Tucson, AZ 85701-1317

Dear Mr. Huckelberry,

I am writing to inform you that after much thought, the Monsanto Company has decided to withdraw our Foreign Trade Zone Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement proposal scheduled for consideration by the Pima County Board of Supervisors at their February 21, 2017 meeting.

We appreciate the immense amount of time and effort expended by the Pima County staff to conduct the five public forums and agricultural science advisory commission meeting. They are to be commended for their professionalism and perseverance. Monsanto Company remains committed to partnering with the community in Pima County and we look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

George Gough, Director

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