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Re: Critical Care Transport Program;
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Via Fax (714) 834-4439

Dear Board Members:

Association, IAFF Local 3631 (OCPFA) and this letter is written on their behalf.

On March 14, 2013 the County announced the implementation, effective March 19, 2013, of the Critical Care Transport pilot program wherein interfacility transfers from one hospital to another would be serviced by Lynch Ambulance Company, a private paramedic service. It is our understanding that the award of such a contract to Lynch was unilaterally authorized by Emergency Medical Director Stratton, without a competitive request for proposal process, and in the absence of a open and public legislative proceeding pursuant to the Brown Act.

Moreover, the award of the contract was made without action or recommendation by the Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC) which is vested with the responsibility of advising the Board of Supervisors and Orange County Emergency Medical Services on all matters relating to emergency medical services in Orange County. As you are aware, any meetings of the Committee culminating in recommendations of this matter would have also been subject to the Brown Act. Lastly, as your records will confirm, the OCPFA lodged a conflict of interest complaint in this matter based upon the Board of Supervisor, Second District's appointment of Patrick Powers to the EMCC while also the Director of EMS Development and/or Vice President of Lynch Ambulance.

Based upon the foregoing, may this serve as a formal demand that the Board of Supervisors set aside the award of the Critical Care Transport pilot program to Lynch Ambulance Company where such contract violated the Brown Act, Emergency Medical Care Committee Bylaws, Request for Proposal requirements and conflict of interest regulations.

RICHARD A. LEVINE

cc: EMCC