1300 Perdido Street | City Hall-Room 4E01 | New Orleans, Louisiana 70112 | March 16, 2022

The Honorable Helena N. Moreno President New Orleans City Council City Hall – Suite 2W40 1300 Perdido Street New Orleans, La. 70112

RE: ITEP Question

Dear Councilmember Moreno:

The Assessor's Office acknowledges receipt of your March 14, 2022, email relative to Folger's Coffee Company tax liabilities.

In February, we made an inquiry to LED as to why the contracts in question were still indicated as "Pending" over a year after the School Board, Sheriff, and City Council rejected the exemptions. As you are aware, the Assessor's Office does not approve nor deny ITEs, we apply or remove these exemptions at the direction of LED.

On Monday, March 14, 2022, we received notice from LED that the six Folger's contracts had indeed been denied.

We are currently preparing change orders to submit to the Louisiana Tax Commission, which should be finalized and approved as soon as next week. Upon the LTC approval, the City will be electronically sent copies of their change orders to issue tax bills to Folger's Coffee for these investments. The estimated taxes to be collected are provide in the attached spreadsheet.

We thank you and vigilant groups such as Together New Orleans for the continued focus on this important matter. It is frustrating that these contracts have been allowed to languish and we will look to request rule changes from the Commerce and Industry Board to eliminate this as an issue moving forward.

Sincerely,

Erroll G. Williams, Assessor

Parish of Orleans

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Cc: Erin Hansen

FOLGER COFFEE COMPANY Schedule of Rejected ITE Applications as of 3/18/2022

Industrial Tax Exemption - Rejected/Withdrawn

					2022 Added	2023 Added	2024 Added	2025 Added	2026 Added	PROPOSED	Total Added
#	ADDRESS	TAX BILL#	BUSINESS NAME	ITE#	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Investment	Assessments
1	5500-CHEFMENTEURHWITE7	39W955165	FOLGER COFFEE COMPANY	20170466	3,739,620	3,947,610	3,945,640	4,238,400	0	36,785,981	15,871,270
2	5500-CHEFMENTEURHWITE8	39W955172	FOLGER COFFEE COMPANY	20180298	609,680	636,770	677,420			6,081,545	1,923,870
3	5500-CHEFMENTEURHWITE9		FOLGER COFFEE COMPANY	20190391	2,220,000						2,220,000
4	5500-CHEFMENTEURHWITE9	39W955173	FOLGER COFFEE COMPANY	20190279	Proposed Investments Withdrawn					11,500,000	, 0
5	14601-OLDGENTILLYHWITE10	39W956115	THE FOLGER COFFEECO	20190280	Proposed Investments Withdrawn					51,500,000	0
6	14601-OLDGENTILLYHWITE9	39W956113	THE FOLGER COFFEECO	20170467	3,018,490	3,191,050	3,191,050	3,431,233		29,060,522	12,831,823
7	14601-OLDGENTILLYHWITE11	39W956114	THE FOLGER COFFEECO	20190392	9,648,750			16		64,325,000	9,648,750
8	14601-OLDGENTILLYHWITE12	39W956107	THE FOLGER COFFEECO	20180297	814,080	880,420	968,200			10,768,156	2,662,700
9	Undocumented				2018 Change orders already submitted;				0	9,100,000	0
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TOTAL 20,050,620	8,655,850	8,782,310	7,669,633	=	210,021,204	45,158,413
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						Total Taxes
TOTAL TAXES/YEAR	2022	2021	2020	2019	Due	
Total Millage	140.71	143.95	145.38	151.08		
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City of NO Receiving Bodies	Varies/yr	691,746	314,554	319,149	292,903	1,618,352
School Board - Millage	45.31	908,293	392,110	397,839	347,434	2,045,676
Law Enforcement - Millage	2.8	56,142	24,236	24,590	21,475	126,444
Remainder - Eastbank	Varies/yr	1,165,543	515,023	535,106	499,140	2,714,811
Remainder - Westbank	Varies/yr	1,187,197	524,371	544,591	498,986	2,755,146

- **NOTE** A. Equipment purchases are not inculded in the above, but are subject to Sales and Use taxes, which The Assessor's Office is not the custodian.
 - **B.** Labor costs are not taxable under personal property laws.
 - C. Building investment doesn't always increase value. Some purchases are replacements or necessary to accommodate continued operations.