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Ms. Carole Norris  
Board Chair  
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**Re: No Paid Property/Liability Claims in 2012-13**

Dear Ms. Norris:

This letter is to formally acknowledge the dedicated efforts of the Berkeley Housing Authority's Governing Body, management and staff towards proactive risk management and loss prevention training. Your agency's efforts have resulted in no "paid" property/liability claims for program year 2012-13. A "paid" claim for the purposes of this recognition represents the first payment on an open claim during the prior program year and excludes property claims. This is a great accomplishment!

It is through the efforts of members such as Berkeley Housing Authority that SDRMA has been able to continue providing affordable property/liability coverage to over 469 public agencies throughout California. In fact, 382 members or 81% in the property/liability program had no "paid" claims in program year 2012-13.

In addition to this annual recognition, members with no "paid" claims during 2012-13 earn 2 credit incentive points (CIPs) thereby reducing their annual contribution amount. Also, members with no "paid" claims for at least 3 consecutive program years may receive a lower "risk factor" which also reduces their annual contribution amount.

As SDRMA is dedicated to serving its members and preventing claims, we would appreciate your agency taking a moment and sharing with us what made your District successful in preventing property/liability losses. Our goal is to incorporate your successful ideas and suggestions into our loss prevention programs to benefit all members of SDRMA. Please forward any comments or suggestions to Dennis Timoney, SDRMA Chief Risk Officer at [dtimoney@sdrma.org](mailto:dtimoney@sdrma.org).

On behalf of the SDRMA Board of Directors and staff, it is my honor to congratulate the Governing Body, management and staff of Berkeley Housing Authority for their commitment to proactive risk management and loss prevention training.

Sincerely,  
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David Aranda, President  
Board of Directors