

November 4, 2009

The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr., Attorney General
California Department of Justice
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Dear Attorney General Brown,

I am writing to ask your office to look into the matter of Sutter Health sweeping millions of dollars in profit out of Marin County and into their corporation. I know that other elected leaders in this community have asked you to investigate this matter. I believe that your doing so is the only way to get to the bottom of Sutter's actions before they take even more money, leaving Marin General Hospital with essentially no reserves to make seismic upgrades and to continue providing vital health services to our community.

Assemblyman Jared Huffman has asked the Marin General Hospital Board to explain their decision to allow this sweeping of profits to take place. Many of us do not understand why the local board would allow Sutter to take profits as opposed to reinvesting in the hospital. One would assume they have a fiduciary responsibility to see that the hospital has enough capital in reserve to continue once Sutter leaves town on June 30, 2010. Marin General has to replace most of the existing facility to meet California earthquake standards by 2015, which makes the decision to allow profits to leave the community even more puzzling. Maybe your office can get some answers. I certainly hope so on behalf of all of the taxpayers in my community, and in Marin.

Very truly yours,

Mayor David Weinsoff
Town of Fairfax

cc. The Honorable Lynn Woolsey, Member of Congress, 6th District, California
Senator Mark Leno, California State Senate, 3rd District
The Honorable Jared Huffman, California State Assembly, 6th District
The Honorable Harold C. Brown, President, Marin County Board of Supervisors
Andrew Pansini, Chairman of the Board, Sutter Health
Robert Heller, Chairman Marin General Hospital Board of Directors