

June 5, 2026

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Dear Mr. Peter Dilnot,

We are writing on behalf of the City of Garden Grove and our residents, businesses, and first responders who have been impacted by the hazardous chemical incident at the Western Avenue GKN Aerospace facility.

Now that the immediate emergency has passed, we believe GKN has a responsibility to step forward and address the community directly. This incident caused significant hardship to many in our community and placed first responders in a dangerous and volatile situation. Garden Grove and our surrounding communities demands answers.

We are requesting that GKN Aerospace attend the June 9, 2026, City Council meeting and communicate directly with the impacted community to provide clear, timely information about what occurred. The community deserves a full accounting of how this incident happened and what actions must be taken to protect public health, safety and the surrounding community.

GKN's \$3 million contribution to the OC Community Resilience Fund is a start, but it is not nearly enough to address the full impact experienced by the community.

We want to be clear on the following point: the City of Garden Grove expects accountability. The community should not be left to absorb the consequences of this incident without answers, support and a clear commitment from GKN to prevent future harm. We insist that GKN meet this moment by engaging directly with the public, answering difficult questions, accepting responsibility, and outlining a meaningful plan to support those impacted by the incident.

We look forward to your response as soon as possible.

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Sincerely,



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cc. Steve Carlin, GKN Senior Vice President

Sent via email