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May 24, 2017

The Honorable Lorena S. Gonzalez Fletcher, Chair Assembly Appropriations Committee State Capitol, Room 2114 Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assembly Member Gonzalez Fletcher:

SUPPORT ASSEMBLY BILL 1572 (AGUIAR-CURRY): INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT PLANS: SOURCE REDUCTION AND RECYCLING ELEMENT: REVIEW SCHEDULE

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) is pleased to **support** Assembly Bill 1572 (AB 1572), as amended on, April 25, 2017. If enacted, AB 1572 would extend the sunset date from January 1, 2018 to January 1, 2022 for the State Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) ability to review local jurisdictions' recycling compliance plans every four years instead of every two years for those jurisdictions consistently meeting the State's requirements.

Many jurisdictions currently meet, and often far exceed, the State's solid waste diversion and program recycling requirements, which makes frequent compliance review unnecessary and wasteful. AB 1572 helps reduce burdens associated with compliance review for jurisdictions that consistently meet and/or exceed the State's recycling requirements as well as allows CalRecycle to focus its time and resources on jurisdictions that need assistance in meeting the program requirements.

Pursuant to the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (Assembly Bill 939) and Chapter 3.67 of the Los Angeles County Code, the Task Force is responsible for coordinating the development of all major solid waste planning documents prepared for the County of Los Angeles and the 88 cities in Los Angeles County with a combined population in excess of ten million. Consistent with these responsibilities and to ensure a coordinated and cost-effective and environmentally sound solid waste management system in Los Angeles County, the Task Force also addresses issues impacting the system on a countywide basis. The Task Force membership includes representatives of the League of California Cities-Los Angeles County Division,

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County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, City of Los Angeles, the waste management industry, environmental groups, the public, and a number of other governmental agencies.

For the foregoing reasons, the Task Force **supports** AB 1572 as amended on April 25, 2017. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Mike Mohajer, a Member of the Task Force, at MikeMohajer@yahoo.com or at (909) 592-1147.

Sincerely,

Margaret Clark, Vice-Chair

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Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/

Integrated Waste Management Task Force and

Council Member, City of Rosemead

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