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The Honorable Lorena Gonzales, Chair Assembly Appropriations Committee State Capitol, Room 2114 Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Assembly Member Gonzalez:

ASSEMBLY BILL 2323 (AMENDED APRIL 19, 2016)
ELECTRICITY: REBATES: LOW-CARBON FUEL PRODUCTION FACILITIES

The Los Angeles County Integrated Waste Management Task Force is pleased to **support** Assembly Bill 2323 (AB 2323), as amended April 19, 2016. If enacted, this bill would require electrical corporations partaking in programs designed to encourage transportation electrification with financial incentives such as time-of-use-rates and peak time rebates, to offer similar incentives to entities that provide low-carbon transportation fuel.

Aggressive reduction in greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions remains a critical strategy against global climate change. According to data compiled by the Air Resources Board (ARB), nearly 170 million metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalents (MMTCO₂E) were emitted statewide in 2013 from transportation activities, accounting for approximately 37 percent of aggregate GHG emissions. Legislation designed to provide economic incentives to low-carbon transportation fuel production facilities and public and private fueling stations could help the state achieve substantial long-term reduction in carbon emissions while also supporting the GHG reduction and climate change goals outlined in AB 32. It is the position of the Task Force that AB 2323, as amended, stands as practical and effective legislation for achieving these statewide goals.

Pursuant to Chapter 3.67 of the Los Angeles County Code and the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (Assembly Bill 939 [AB 939], as amended), 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, 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

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County Division, 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.

Based on the foregoing, the Task Force **supports** AB 2323, as this legislation serves as an effective medium to achieve the state's climate change goals. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Mike Mohajer of the Task Force at MikeMohajer@yahoo.com or (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

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cc: Assembly Member Sebastian Ridely-Thomas

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