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The Honorable Ricardo Lara Senate Appropriations Committee State Capitol, Room 2206 Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Lara:

ASSEMBLY BILL 2812 (AMENDED MAY 27, 2016) SOLID WASTE: RECYCLING: STATE AGENCIES

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) is pleased to **support** Assembly Bill 2812 (AB 2812), as amended on May 27, 2016. This bill would require the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) to develop guidelines for collection and recycling recyclable materials in office buildings of state agencies and large state facilities in conjunction with requiring a covered state agency and state facility to provide adequate resources to ensure compliance with the law. Further, AB 2812 would require that the Annual Report to CalRecycle include a summary of the state agency's compliance with this bill's requirements.

The Task Force is supportive of efforts which would hold state agencies also accountable for statewide efforts to significantly reduce and divert solid waste from landfills. AB 341 and AB 1826 were major legislative milestones for California, and as jurisdictions, businesses, and residents struggle to comply with the requirements, state agencies ought to be required to do their fair share as well.

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 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, County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, City of

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

For the above reasons, the Task Force **supports** AB 2812 as amended. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Mike Mohajer, a Member of the Task Force at <a href="MikeMohajer@yahoo.com">MikeMohajer@yahoo.com</a> or (909) 592-1147.

Sincerely,

Margaret Clark, Vice-Chair

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Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/

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cc: Assembly Member Richard Gordon

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