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The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr. Governor, State of California State Capitol Building Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Governor Brown:

REQUEST FOR VETO – ASSEMBLY BILL 2908 (ENROLLED AUGUST 29, 2018) TIRE RECYCLING: CALIFORNIA TIRE REGULATORY FEE AND WASTE TIRE PROGRAM

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) respectfully requests that you veto Assembly Bill 2908 (AB 2908). If enacted, AB 2908 would require tire retailers, in addition to the existing California new tire fee, to pay a California tire **regulatory fee** (emphasis added), on a quarterly basis, at an amount to be determined by the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) not exceeding \$1.00 per tire. The bill would also enact the Tire Recycling Incentive Program after the Rubberized Pavement Market Development (RPMD) program expires on January 1, 2020.

The proposed legislation provides for CalRecycle to determine the types of programs the new tire regulatory fee would fund without considering input from local governments. In addition, the bill does not detail how the estimated \$38 million/year projected to be generated by the new tire regulatory fees would be distributed. The Task Force does not support policies which may negatively impact local jurisdictions' successful programs, nor a distribution of fees collected that is not based on a per capita basis.

Pursuant to Chapter 3.67 of the Los Angeles County Code and the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (AB 939), 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

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

Based on the forgoing, the Task Force opposes AB 2908, and respectfully requests that you veto this legislation. If you have any questions, 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/
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