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The Honorable Gavin Newsom Governor, State of California State Capitol Building, Suite 1173 Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Governor Newsom:

<u>REQUEST FOR SIGNATURE</u> – SENATE BILL 68 (ENROLLED ON SEPTEMBER 3, 2020) – SOLID WASTE.

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) respectfully requests your signature on Senate Bill 68 (SB 68).

SB 68 would, among other things, delete the existing January 1, 2021, sunset date for the use and proper management of treated wood waste, thereby extending these provisions indefinitely. The bill would also require the wood preserving industry to prepare, in consultation with the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), updated/expanded outreach materials on the appropriate handling, disposal, and other management of treated wood waste for generators of treated wood waste and for facilities that may receive or handle treated wood waste. The bill would require the wood preserving industry to annually update and renew the outreach materials, disseminate the outreach materials, and provide a specified update to DTSC relating to that dissemination. Further, the proposed legislation limits the reuse of treated wood waste only if the reuse occurs onsite at the facility at which the treated wood waste was generated. The bill would require DTSC to perform regular inspections of representative treated wood waste generator sites and treated wood waste disposal facilities. The bill would also direct DTSC, no later than March 1, 2022, to develop and submit an inspection and compliance plan to specified legislative committees.

Pursuant to Chapter 3.67 of the Los Angeles County Code and the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (Assembly Bill 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

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

Based on the foregoing, the Task Force **supports** SB 68 and respectfully requests your signature on 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/ Integrated Waste Management Task Force and

Mayor, City of Rosemead

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