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The Honorable Jenny Oropeza State Capitol, Room 5114 Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Oropeza:

SENATE BILL 1052 (INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 16, 2010) ELECTRONIC WASTE: STATE AGENCIES

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) **supports** Senate Bill 1052 (SB 1052), which would, among other things, require the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle), and the Department of General Services to adopt an electronic waste management plan.

Pursuant to Chapter 3.67 of the Los Angeles County Code and the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (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 10 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, the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, the City of Los Angeles, the waste management industry, environmental groups, the public, and a number of other governmental agencies.

If enacted, SB 1052 would require DTSC, CalRecycle, and Department of General Services to jointly collaborate and identify methods that State agencies shall adopt to properly handle and dispose of certain electronic waste, and would require each State agency to adopt an electronic waste management plan to accurately track the amount

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of such electronic waste that is generated, handled, recycled, and disposed of. The bill would require each State agency to submit a plan to DTSC by January 1, 2012, and to submit an annual report to DTSC regarding the implementation of the plan each year thereafter.

SB 1052 would increase the State's accountability for properly managing its electronic waste; therefore the Task Force **supports** SB 1052. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Mike Mohajer of the Task Force at (909) 592-1147.

Sincerely,

Margaret Clark

Margaret Clark, Vice-Chair Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/ Integrated Waste Management Task Force and Mayor, City of Rosemead

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cc: Senate President Pro Tem Darrell Steinberg

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Each City Recycling Coordinator in Los Angeles County

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