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TO: Members, California State Assembly

FROM: Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/ Integrated Waste Management Task Force

**SUPPORT AB 1158 (AS AMENDED SEPTEMBER 8, 2017) – CARPET RECYCLING**

For the reasons listed, the Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force **SUPPORTS** Assembly Bill 1158, as amended, which would create a multi-stakeholder advisory committee that would be required to make recommendations to the carpet stewardship organization(s) on their stewardship plan(s) and require the stewardship organization to incorporate the advisory committee's recommendations in the stewardship plan or if unable to include in the stewardship plan, provide a written explanation to the advisory committee.

- Among other things, this bill would establish a 24% recycling rate for postconsumer carpet by January 1, 2020, and authorize the Department of Resource Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) to adjust the recycling rate beginning in 2020 and every three years thereafter.
- The bill would also require the stewardship plan to include five year and annual goals on how the recycling rate will be achieved by explaining how it plans to, among other things, increase the weight of recycled postconsumer carpet, increase the collection convenience, and expand and incentivize the secondary markets for postconsumer carpet.
- Additionally, prohibit the carpet stewardship organization from expending any assessment funds for activities related to engineered municipal solid waste conversion, as defined in Section 40131.2 of the Public Resource Code, or cement kilns to burn carpet, penalties imposed, and litigation against the State.

As provided by AB 939 (1989) and Chapter 3.67 of the Los Angeles County Code, the Task Force is responsible for coordinating the development of major solid waste planning documents for Los Angeles County and the 88 cities in the County with a population of over ten million. The Task Force is also addresses issues impacting the solid waste management system on a countywide basis.

For the foregoing reasons, the **Task Force SUPPORTS AB 1158 and respectfully requests your AYE vote on the bill.** If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Mike Mohajer, a member of the Task Force, at [MikeMohajer@yahoo.com](mailto:MikeMohajer@yahoo.com) or (909) 592-1147.

cc: Assembly Members Kansen Chu, and Mark Stone