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August 30, 2016

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

Dear Governor Brown:

## <u>REQUEST FOR SIGNATURE</u> – ASSEMBLY BILL 2396 (ENROLLED AUGUST 25, 2016) SOLID WASTE: ANNUAL REPORTS

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) respectfully requests your signature on Assembly Bill 2396 (AB 2396). This bill would require each state agency to include in their annual reports to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) a summary of the state agency's compliance with requirements related to mandatory commercial recycling as established pursuant to AB 341 (2011, Chesbro) and AB 1826 (2014, Chesbro). The Task Force supports requiring state agencies to report on the state's efforts to divert and recycle increased waste.

The Task Force is supportive of efforts which hold state agencies accountable for statewide efforts to significantly reduce landfilled solid waste. AB 341 and AB 1826 were major legislative milestones for California, and as jurisdictions, businesses, and residents grapple to comply with the requirements, state agencies ought to be required to do the same.

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 2396 and respectfully requests your signature on this legislation. 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 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

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Assembly Member Kevin McCarty

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Each City Recycling Cordinator in Los Angeles County

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