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The Honorable Bob Wieckowski, Chair  
Senate Committee on Environmental Quality  
State Capitol, Room 2205  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Wieckowski:

**SUPPORT SENATE BILL 1335 (ALLEN) SOLID WASTE, INTRODUCED ON  
FEBRUARY 16, 2018: DISPOSABLE FOOD SERVICE PACKAGING: STATE  
AGENCIES AND LARGE STATE FACILITIES**

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) **supports** Senate Bill 1335 (SB 1335), as introduced February 16, 2018. If passed, SB 1335 would enact the Sustainable Packaging for the State of California Act of 2018.

SB 1335 would prohibit a food service facility in a state agency or large state facility to dispense prepared food to a customer using disposable food service packaging unless the type of disposable packaging is accepted for recovery by the recycling or composting program serving the state agency or large state facility, and it has been demonstrated that the type of disposable food service packaging is recovered for recycling or composting at a minimum rate of 75 percent. The proposed law would be in effect January 1, 2021, and would exempt community colleges and state prisons.

The measure can positively influence the expansion of processing infrastructure for recyclable and compostable materials. By requiring a minimum recycling rate for disposable food service packaging procured, SB 1335 promotes the quality and supply of feedstock for composting and recycling. The measure provides state government the opportunity to expand environmentally preferable procurement and fully embrace its capacity as a consumer of products and services and as a regulatory entity to provide incentives for waste processors to expand operations.

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

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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 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 1335. 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 at (909) 592-1147.

Sincerely,



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