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June 4, 2019

The Honorable Bill Quirk, Chair Assembly Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials 1020 N Street, Room 171 Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assembly Member Quirk:

SUPPORT – SENATE BILL 726 (CABALLERO) AS AMENDED ON APRIL 3, 2019 – HAZARDOUS WASTE: PUBLIC AGENCIES: MATERIALS EXCHANGE PROGRAM

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) **supports** Senate Bill 726 (SB 726), as amended on April 3, 2019. If enacted, the proposed legislation, among other things, would authorize a public agency's contractor to conduct a materials exchange program as a part of its household hazardous waste collection program.

The Task Force supports the proposed legislation as it allows greater reuse of Household Hazardous Waste material than is currently being allowed which supports state and local solid waste diversion mandates and goals.

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 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.

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Based on the foregoing, the Task Force **supports** SB 726. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Mike Mohajer, a member of the Task Force, at <u>MikeMohajer@yahoo.com</u> or 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: Senator Caballero

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