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September 26, 2007

The Honorable Arnold Schwarzenegger  
Governor of the State of California  
State Capitol Building  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger:

**SENATE BILL 735 (ENROLLED SEPTEMBER 11, 2007)  
TRACKING THE USE OF RECYCLED MATERIALS IN CALTRANS PROJECTS**

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) **requests your signature** on Senate Bill 735 (SB 735), which would require among other things, that the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and its contractors keep track of the use of recycled material and virgin material used for subbase, base, and lean concrete base use in street and highway construction and repair projects beginning April 1, 2010, and biennially thereafter.

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 its 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.

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SB 735 would require CalTrans and its contractors to track the type of recycled material and virgin material used for subbase, base and lean concrete base, as defined, and the amount and percentage of recycled material and virgin material for each street and highway construction and repair projects. SB 735 would assist in creating oversight and accountability to ensure that Caltrans and its contractors are diverting and reusing construction waste materials.

Therefore, the Task Force **requests your signature** on SB 735. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Mike Mohajer of the Task Force at (909) 592-1147.

Sincerely,



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

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Each Member of the Los Angeles County Legislative Delegation  
California Integrated Waste Management Board  
California Department of Transportation  
Each Member of the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors  
Each City Mayor in the County of Los Angeles  
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League of California Cities, Los Angeles County Division  
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San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments  
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Each City Recycling Coordinator in Los Angeles County  
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