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TO: California State Assembly

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

**SUPPORT – ASSEMBLY BILL 332 (ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS) AS AMENDED ON MARCH 26, 2021 – HAZARDOUS WASTE: TREATED WOOD WASTE: MANAGEMENT STANDARDS**

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) **SUPPORTS** Assembly Bill 332 (AB 332 Hazardous waste: treated wood waste: management standards as amended March 26, 2020).

Alternative Management Standards (AMS) for the handling of Treated Wood Waste (TWW) were adopted in the State regulations {Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR), Section 67386.1 et seq.} pursuant to AB 1353 (Matthews, 2004) to effectively manage TWW and allow for the disposal of TWW in a composite-lined portion of a solid waste landfill. The AMS sunset on December 31, 2020, and as a result TWW must now be managed as Hazardous Waste. The many additional Hazardous Waste management requirements, including transport to and disposal at a Class I hazardous waste landfill will significantly increase the costs of proper handling and disposal which could lead to an increase in illegal dumping of TWW. AB 332 as amended on March 26, 2021, would incorporate appropriate sections of the 22 CCR 67386.1 et seq. that sunset on December 31, 2020, to facilitate a clear and reasonable path for the proper management and disposal of TWW while protecting the environment.

The Task Force is in support of such a measure because while treated wood products have many beneficial uses, their proper management and disposal require this act to take effect immediately to protect human health and safety as well as to prevent further contamination of our environment and waste stream.

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 addresses issues impacting the solid waste management system on a countywide basis.

Based on the foregoing, the **Task Force SUPPORTS AB 332 and 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 at (909) 592-1147.

cc: Assembly Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials