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TO: California State Assembly Members

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

SUPPORT – ASSEMBLY BILL 843 (AGUIAR-CURRY) AS AMENDED ON MAY 24, 2021 – CALIFORNIA RENEWABLES PORTFOLIO STANDARD PROGRAM: RENEWABLE FEED-IN TARIFF: BIOENERGY MARKET ADJUSTING TARIFF PROGRAM: COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATORS

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) **SUPPORTS** Assembly Bill 843 (AB 843), as amended on May 24, 2021.

The proposed legislation, if enacted, would provide that the California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program standard tariff would apply to a qualifying electric generation facility that is developed to sell electricity to the electrical corporation or community choice aggregator (CCA) within the electrical corporation's service territory. The bill would authorize a CCA to voluntarily submit eligible bioenergy projects for cost recovery under similar conditions as apply to electrical corporations pursuant to the California Public Utility Commission's Decision 20-08-043 revising the Bioenergy Market Adjusting Tariff (BioMAT) program, if open capacity exists within the 250-megawatt program limitation for bioenergy projects.

The Task Force supports AB 843 as it would allow CCAs, which now serve more than 25 percent of all California's electricity customers, to participate in the BioMAT program creating market demand for bioenergy. Bioenergy is a beneficial product of organic waste diverted from landfills and landfill gas, helping us to achieve both the state's short-lived climate pollutant emission reduction and waste diversion goals.

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 843 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 or at (909) 592-1147.