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TO: California State Assembly Members

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

**SUPPORT – SENATE BILL 726 (CABALLERO) AS AMENDED ON JUNE 25, 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 June 25, 2019. If enacted, the proposed legislation, among other things, would define “materials exchange program” for these purposes to mean a program conducted at a household hazardous waste (HHW) collection facility that makes reusable household hazardous products or materials available to recipients. The bill would additionally authorize a public agency’s contractor to conduct a materials exchange program. The bill would revise the requirements for the preparation and implementation of a quality assurance plan to require, among other things, a quality assurance plan prepared by a public agency, or its contractor, be implemented at each HHW collection facility operated by the public agency, or its contractor, at which a materials exchange program is operated. The Task Force supports the proposed legislation as it allows greater reuse of HHW material than is currently being allowed which supports state and local solid waste diversion mandates and 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 respectfully requests your Aye on SB 726. 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.

cc: Senator Caballero