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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 1021 (ENROLLED SEPTEMBER 17, 2007)
GRANTS FOR BEVERAGE CONTAINER RECYCLING**

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) **requests your signature** on Senate Bill 1021 (SB 1021), which would provide up to \$15 million in grant funding from January 1, 2008, to January 1, 2009, to place source separated beverage container recycling receptacles at multifamily housing.

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.

A 2004 waste characterization study conducted by the California Integrated Waste Management Board found that over 25 percent of the multifamily waste stream is comprised of recyclable materials, and approximately 26 percent of the residential waste stream is generated by multifamily housing.

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SB 1021, if enacted, would enhance multifamily recycling opportunities by allocating up to \$15 million in grant funding from January 1, 2008, to January 1, 2009, to place source separated beverage container recycling receptacles at multifamily housing, thereby increasing the amount of recyclables collected and reducing the amount of waste disposed.

Therefore, the Task Force **requests your signature** on SB 1021. If you have any questions, please 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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cc: Senate President Pro Tem Don Perata
Assembly Speaker Fabian Nuñez
Senator Alex Padilla
Each Member of the Los Angeles County Legislative Delegation
California Department of Conservation, Division of Recycling
California Integrated Waste Management Board
Each Member of the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors
Each City Mayor in the County of Los Angeles
California State Association of Counties
League of California Cities
League of California Cities, Los Angeles County Division
Southern California Association of Governments
San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments
South Bay Cities Council of Governments
Each City Recycling Coordinator in Los Angeles County
Each Member of the Los Angeles County Integrated Waste Management Task Force