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Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814
Via Fax: (916) 558-3160

RE: ABX8 7 (Evans) Bottle Bill Fix – Support

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger:

On behalf of the residents and ratepayers of Central Contra Costa, we urge you to sign Assembly Bill 7 (Evans), the Bottle Bill budget fix, which will help preserve California's successful Bottle Bill recycling infrastructure along with thousands of recycling jobs.

California's successful Beverage Container Recycling Program is under threat by significant cuts to core elements of the program. Due to the imbalance in the Beverage Container Recycling Fund, the Department of Conservation was forced to cut over \$100 million in core recycling funding for local governments, local conservation corps, curbside recycling, and recycling market development and other performance-based incentives for recycling.

These and other cuts endanger thousands of recycling jobs and threaten consumers' ability to conveniently recycle their beverage containers. AB 7 will maintain thousands of recycling jobs and will strengthen California's recycling infrastructure. Without your signature on AB 7, recyclers, local governments, conservation corps and other key components of California recycling economy will continue to be eroded.

I respectfully urge your signature on AB 7.

Sincerely,

Sue Rainey, CCCSWA Board Chair

Carol Federighi, CCCSWA Legislative Ad-Hoc Committee Chair

cc: Bryan Early, CAW
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