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October 2, 2007

Honorable Arnold Schwarzenegger  
Governor, State of California  
State Capitol, First Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: SB 1021 (Padilla) Multi-family Recycling Grants**

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger:

I write to respectfully urge your signature on Senate Bill 1021, which will facilitate the expansion of recycling collection services at multifamily dwellings. Specifically, the bill would authorize the Department of Conservation to expend up to \$15 million in surplus redemption funds to help offset the cost of providing beverage container recycling services at multifamily dwellings.

Despite California's leadership in recycling and waste reduction, the residents of multifamily dwellings have fewer recycling opportunities than residents of single family homes. Less than 40% of those living in multifamily residences have access to convenient recycling and, as a result, more than 85% of the waste generated at multi-family residences goes to landfills.

SB 1021 would help address this problem by helping offset the costs for local agencies, recycling services providers, apartment owners, and ultimately residents to have access to basic recycling opportunities. This measure compliments AB 548 (Levine), also on your desk awaiting signature, which would require owners of multi-family dwellings to provide recycling opportunities to their tenants.

Together, these measures could lead to 900 thousand tons of materials being diverted from landfill and recycled, resulting in a greenhouse gas reduction of nearly 1 million tons of CO2 per year.

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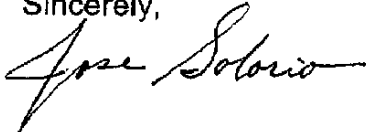


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In closing, I thank you for your consideration and urge your signature SB 1021 (Padilla), which would significantly increase recycling in California by helping to bring a residential recycling opportunity to every resident in the state.

Sincerely,



JOSE SOLORIO  
State Assemblyman

cc: Chris Kahn, Legislative Affairs Secretary, Office of the Governor  
John Moffat, Deputy Legislative Secretary, Office of the Governor  
Californians Against Waste  
Senator Alex Padilla

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