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The Honorable Alex Padilla  
Chair, Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications Committee  
State Capitol Building, Room 2195  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 222 (Adams) Energy: biofuels- **Support**

Dear Chairman Padilla,

The Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA), the largest association of solid waste professionals (7,700 members), is committed to advancing the practices of environmentally and economically sound management of municipal solid waste. On behalf of their California Chapters, I am writing in support of AB 222 (Adams).

AB 222 would update the Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 to incorporate changes that will enable and expedite the production of advanced, non-food derived biofuels, green power and other biobased products from biomass. By providing a pathway for new investments in technologies to occur in California, and still retaining California's stringent environmental protections, AB 222 can allow California to lead the nation in the establishment of advanced technology facilities and provide additional resources for jurisdictions to meet SB 1016 disposal requirements.

For these reasons, SWANA supports AB 222 (Adams) and urges your "aye" vote when it is heard in committee.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Members and Consultants, Senate Energy, Utilities and  
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The Honorable Anthony Adams