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The Honorable Tom Torlakson
Chair, Senate Appropriations Committee
State Capitol Building, Room 2206
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 1391 (Brownley) Electronic Waste- **Support**

Dear Chairman Torlakson,

The Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) is composed of approximately 7000 public and private sector solid waste management professionals throughout North America dedicated to the development and enhancement of environmentally and economically sound practices and policies for the integrated management of municipal solid waste. There are approximately 900 members of SWANA in California, and on their behalf I am writing in support of AB 1391.

This bill would require that by July 1, 2009 a retailer who sells covered electronic devices to provide a consumer at the point of sale the Integrated Waste Management Board's website. The website would provide information on where and how to return, recycle and dispose of a covered electronic devices.

SWANA believes AB 1391 will provide much needed information to electronic consumers. This will have an increased return on the recycling of hazardous electronic devices and will reduce the amount of solid waste that enters our landfills.

For these reasons the California Chapters of SWANA support AB 1391.

Sincerely,

Paul Yoder
Legislative Advocate

Cc: The Honorable Julia Brownley
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