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The Honorable Patricia Wiggins
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 4081
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Wiggins:

**RE: SB 1016 (Wiggins) Diversion: Annual Report-
Support as Proposed to be Amended**

On behalf of the Solid Waste Association of North America, we would like to express our Support as Proposed to be Amended position of SB 1016 (Wiggins).

SB 1016 would change the State's diversion rate reporting requirements to a jurisdictional equivalent disposal measurement requirement. SB 1016 proposes a new compliance measurement system that would place more emphasis on the implementation of waste reduction, recycling, and other waste diversion programs, and less emphasis on the current mathematical accounting system.

It is our understanding that your office is preparing amendments that would include clarifying intent language regarding the evaluation of a local jurisdictions' good faith efforts, as well as an amendment that would allow jurisdictions that are in the process of or have completed a new generation study covering 2007, be allowed to have these studies considered in creating the new proposed base year. With these amendments SWANA will be pleased to Support this legislation.

SWANA especially appreciates the work of the author, sponsors and staff of SB 1016 (Wiggins) to craft a bill that local governments in California can support and your willingness to accept these last amendments for our organization to offer their Support.

Sincerely,

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