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The Honorable Alex Padilla
Senator, 20th District
State Capitol Building, Room 4032
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: SB 1021 (Padilla) – Beverage Containers; Grants – SUPPORT

Dear Senator Padilla,

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 your SB 1021, regarding beverage container grants.

SB 1021 would additionally authorize the department to expend up to \$15,000,000 from January 1, 2008, to January 1, 2009, to provide grants to local governments or nonprofit agencies to place source separated beverage container recycling receptacles in multifamily housing, thereby making an appropriation.

We believe that SB 1021 provides a tremendous opportunity to expand recycling by collecting at specified locations. Utilizing a portion of unclaimed [CRV] funds to support local government efforts to collect recyclable beverage containers at multifamily housing units is an opportunity well worth supporting.

For these reasons, we support this measure.

Sincerely,

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cc: Members and Consultants, Senate Appropriations Committee
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