

**REQUEST FOR ACTION**

**To:** Caroll Mortensen  
Director

**From:**



Mark de Bie  
Deputy Director, Waste Permitting, Compliance, and Mitigation

**Request Date:** October 7, 2013

**Decision Subject:** Approval to Formally Notice Proposed Compostable Material Handling and In-Vessel Digestion Regulations

**Action By:** October 15, 2013

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**Summary of Request:** Staff requests approval to begin the formal rulemaking process and to formally notice the proposed Compostable Material Handling and In-Vessel Digestion Regulations.

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends approval of the "Proposed Compostable Material Handling and In-Vessel Digestion Regulations" so that the regulations may be submitted to the Office of Administrative Law to initiate the formal rulemaking process under the California Administrative Procedure Act.

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**Action:** On the basis of the information and analysis in this Request for Approval and the findings set out above, I hereby approve the "Proposed Compostable Material Handling and In-Vessel Digestion Regulations" and direct staff to submit the regulatory packet to the Office of Administrative Law to initiate the formal rulemaking process under the California Administrative Procedure Act.

**Dated:**



Caroll Mortensen  
Director

**Attachments:** Proposed draft Compostable Material Handling and In-Vessel Digestion Regulations

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6. Staff developed a consolidated set of draft regulations in February 2013 in response to comments received on initial discussion draft regulatory text. Written comments on the consolidated set of draft regulations were accepted until March 29, 2013. Staff held 4 workshops from March 2013 through May 2013 to obtain further stakeholder input on the consolidated set of draft regulations.

7. Staff completed revisions to the consolidated set of draft regulations based on written stakeholder in August 2013.

8. Staff have determined that the current informal proposed draft regulations are ready for the start of the formal rulemaking process with a formally notice of the proposed Compostable Material Handling and In-Vessel Digestion Regulations.