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Re: Expedited Review and Approval of Reporting Period, California Carpet Stewardship Plan

Dear Dr. Peoples:

On behalf of the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle), I wish to thank you for submitting a revised Carpet Stewardship Plan (Plan) that aims to advance carpet stewardship and recycling in California, and to respond to your request for an expedited review of the reporting cycle provision in this Plan.

The specific text under consideration for expedited review is this:

18. Effective 2Q 2013, the reporting cycle for mills and recyclers will change from 60 days to 30 days after the end of the quarter. There will be no grace period. This will shorten the time period for funds being released to recyclers by approximately 30 days. (Revised California Carpet Stewardship Plan, page 29)

This provision will shorten the payment cycle for processors by approximately 30 days. CARE considers this an important enhancement to the program and one which it says is appreciated by all the processors. CalRecycle requested feedback from stakeholders on this provision by June 10, 2013 through its Carpet listserv. One response was received from the California Product Stewardship Council in support of the change. To our knowledge there is no opposition. Based on this, CalRecycle approves this section (noted above) of the revised Plan.

CalRecycle anticipates having the revised Plan on the agenda for consideration at the public meeting to be held August 20, 2013, in Sacramento. CalRecycle appreciates CARE's acceptance of this extension to the plan review timeframe, as noted in your cover letter submitted with the revised Plan. This extension allows for CalRecycle to complete its public feedback period and review of the remainder of the Plan.



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During the review period, the conditionally approved Plan remains in effect as the active Plan. We understand that there may be some provisions of the Plan that CARE would like to start working on prior to approval, such as expansion of the Rural Pilot Program. In general, CalRecycle encourages early implementation of improvements that foster increased recovery of carpets and access to the program for all rate-payers. However, CalRecycle reserves the right to fully review and consider all aspects of the Plan, including the rural program, prior to making a determination on Plan approval.

CalRecycle looks forward to working with CARE to ensure that the program moves forward in an effective manner. If you have questions, please call me at (916) 322-4025 or direct them to Kathy Frevert at Kathy.Frevert@calrecycle.ca.gov or (916) 341-6476.

Sincerely,



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