



December 6, 2016

Chair Martinez &
Members of the Energy & Environment Committee
Los Angeles City Council
200 N. Spring St., Ste. 470
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: 10-1797-S17; 10-1797-S16 – Strong Support for Zero Waste LA Program.

Dear Chair Martinez and Members of the E & E Committee:

I write to support moving forward with the Zero Waste LA Program. We are near the finish line of more than six years of thoughtful and deliberate work to fix the current broken system for waste collection at businesses and multi-family buildings in Los Angeles. This historic action should make all people in the City feel proud of putting forward a very progressive program to improve how waste is collected.

Zero Waste LA brings multiple benefits to our city, including guaranteed access to recycling for all Angelenos. This new system will reduce negative impacts on the environment by helping our city achieve its goal to divert waste from landfills. Moreover, the program will mean this sector of waste collection finally triggers South Coast Air Quality Management District Rule 1193, which takes dirty diesel waste trucks off of the road.

The myriad benefits to everybody in this City are too important to delay one second. Please approve this final step and send this vital program to full City Council. I appreciate your consideration of these comments.

Sincerely,

Adriano L. Martinez

CC: LA City Council