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Mr. Roger Mitchell, PG
Division of Water Quality
State Water Resources Control Board
9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100
San Diego, California 92123-4340

Subject: State Clearinghouse (SCH) No. 2012091002 – Draft Initial Study (IS)/
Negative Declaration (ND) for the adoption of *General Waste Discharge
Requirements for the Discharge of Wastes at Compost Management Units*
(Order); statewide project.

Mr. Mitchell:

The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the ND prior to its adoption. Based on CalRecycle staff review and subsequent discussions with you, CalRecycle does not have any substantive comments on the document at this time. However, we wish to note that it is fully expected that some of the materials currently received at existing composting facilities will be redirected to land application as a result of the implementation of the Order. We look forward to continuing to work with the State Water Resources Control Board on the potential issues that will result from the increase in material being applied to land.

CalRecycle staff requests that the Department continue to be noticed of the dates, times and locations of any public hearings regarding the project proposal at least ten days in advance.

If you have any questions regarding these comments, please contact me at (916) 341-6331, or e-mail me at Mark.DeBie@CalRecycle.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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