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Mr. Rose Hess, Public Works Director
City of Buelton
107 W Highway 246
Buellton, CA 93427

Dear Mr. Hess:

We are writing regarding the status of CalRecycle's most recent review of whether the City of Buelton is in compliance with meeting AB 939 requirements, most importantly in terms of implementing diversion programs. Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 41825 specifies a schedule for this review and requires CalRecycle to make an independent evaluation and finding of whether each jurisdiction was in compliance with PRC Section 41780 during the review period. As a result of this review, CalRecycle may find that:

- 1) A jurisdiction is meeting the requirements of AB 939 because:
 - a. it has adequately implemented its diversion programs and has achieved the diversion requirement; or
 - b. while it has not achieved the diversion requirement, it has made a good faith effort to implement diversion programs; or
- 2) A jurisdiction has failed to adequately implement its Source Reduction and Recycling Element (SRRE) and/or Household Hazardous Waste Element (HHWE) and the process should commence to consider whether issuance of a compliance order would be appropriate. Jurisdictions that fail to satisfy the conditions of a compliance order may be subject to a fine of up to \$10,000 per day.

The 2012-2015 Jurisdiction Review has been finalized. CalRecycle has found that the City of Buelton is meeting the requirements of AB 939. We commend the City of Buelton for continuing to dedicate resources to meeting the requirements of AB 939. Your efforts are helping to conserve natural resources, strengthen the State's economy, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

We also want to note that as the economy continues to grow, businesses are producing more, consumers are buying more, and construction has increased. While this is great news, we expect that more solid waste is generated and discarded. As result, continuing the City of Buelton's diversion programs is critical to ensuring continued compliance with AB 939. In particular, in addition to meeting and maintaining the requirements of AB 939, the City of Buelton is responsible for implementing the Mandatory Commercial Recycling and Mandatory Commercial Organics Recycling education, outreach and monitoring requirements of AB 341 and AB 1826.

As required by law, your Local Assistance and Market Development Julie Trueblood will contact you to set up an annual site visit to verify the implementation of diversion programs and continued compliance with AB939.

In conclusion, we are pleased that the City of Buelton has been found to be in compliance with PRC Section 41780 as part of the 2012-2015 Jurisdiction Review. At the same time, we are looking to the future and want to work with you to ensure the continued success of the jurisdiction's overall diversion efforts. If you have any questions, please contact your LAMD representative, Julie Trueblood at (916) 341-6535.



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kristin Yee". The signature is written in a dark grey or black ink on a white background.

Kristin Yee, Section Manager

CC: Julie Trueblood, Supervisor