

February 20, 2017

Senator Troy Balderson Chair, Ohio Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee Ohio Senate Statehouse Columbus, Ohio 43215

RE: Proponent for SB 2

Dear Chairman Balderson:

On behalf of Waste Management of Ohio, I write to share our support for SB 2. Waste Management provides solid waste collection, recycling and disposal services throughout Ohio which includes the management of construction and demolition debris. We commend Senator Hite and the Ohio EPA for bringing this bill forward and believe it provides necessary and appropriate regulation for processing and transfer of construction and demolition debris.

The bill authorizes the creation of a regulatory program governing the oversight of Construction and Demolition Recycling and Transfer activities. We support Ohio EPA developing a regulatory program as outlined in the bill because it assures continued recycling operations with appropriate and common sense oversight. These processing facilities would be subject to licensing, financial assurance and siting requirements which would assure the activity is appropriate regulated. We also support the limited expansion of the Ohio EPA authority to address abandoned sites to protect human health and the environment.

We are happy to support SB 2 and respectfully request your support for this bill. Thank you for your time and please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Waste Management of Ohio, Inc.

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Cc: Member Ohio Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee

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