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SENT VIA FAX: (916) 558-3177

The Honorable Arnold Schwarzenegger
Governor of California
State Capitol Building
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 1343 (Huffman) Paint Product Stewardship – SUPPORT

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger:

Napa County urges your support of AB 1343, which would establish a producer managed postconsumer paint recovery program. Paint is the single largest waste stream managed by local government household hazardous waste (HHW) programs, costing California residents approximately \$27 million dollars annually to manage. In 2009 the cost to manage waste paint at the Napa Vallejo Waste Management Facility was \$77,000. There is no earmarked funding source for managing this waste stream that continues to increase each year.

By creating a manufacturer run program, **AB 1343 can help save local governments and taxpayers millions of dollars.** Specifically, AB 1343 requires architectural paint manufacturers to develop and implement a stewardship plan to reduce the generation of postconsumer paint, promote the reuse, and manage the end-of-life of postconsumer paint in an environmentally sound manner. **California paint recyclers and manufacturers also support AB 1343** and we look forward to working with all the parties to successfully implement the program.

Local governments have shouldered 100% of the responsibility for managing leftover paint for too long. Napa County strongly urges your signature of AB 1343.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diane Dillon".

Diane Dillon
Chair, Napa County Board of Supervisors

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