MSWMAC

Metropolitan Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee

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To: King County Executive Dow Constantine

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King County Councilmember Reagan Dunn

CC:

Christie True, DNRP Director

Pat McLaughlin, Solid Waste Division Director

RE: ADVISORY NOTE IN SUPPORT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Please accept this advisory note from the Metropolitan Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee ("MSWMAC") in support of the draft Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan ("Comprehensive Plan") to be transmitted to the Metropolitan King County Council ("MKCC") for its consideration.

MSWMAC strongly supports the policies, goals, and actions in the plan and requests that the MKCC, in its deliberations, recognize that our Comprehensive Plan was developed through a transparent, collaborative, and credible process and, accordingly, substantially reflects the will of the majority of the cities to which King County provides transfer and disposal services. In partnership with the King County Solid Waste Division, the Solid Waste Advisory Committee, and stakeholders, MSWMAC members spent the last two years collaboratively and exhaustively reviewing, discussing, and crafting all elements, data, language, and implications of the plan. The plan was also informed and influenced by a preliminary city review period, a robust and accountable public review and comment process, and a Department of Ecology review.

Furthermore, we respectfully request that the MKCC formally approve the Comprehensive Plan without any substantial modification to the policies, goals, and actions contained therein. We believe that King County Executive's recommendations in our plan, particularly those with regard to the siting and construction of a Northeast Recycling and Transfer Station and the maximization of the capacity at the Cedar Hills Regional Landfill, are substantially supported by MSWMAC and, as such, this consensus should carry significant weight in the MKCC's deliberations when considering approval of our plan.

We thank the MKCC for the leadership it has shown in encouraging the completion of the Comprehensive Plan and look forward to the upcoming city approval process following the MKCC's approval of the plan.

Signed on behalf of MSWMAC,

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Chair, Metropolitan Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee
Councilmember, City of Kirkland

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