

August 15, 2018

To: Bob Peoples, Executive Director CARE and Scott Smithline, Director CalRecycle
From: California Carpet Stewardship Advisory Committee (members listed below)

Re: Advisory Committee Comments & Recommendations related to the Draft CARE California Carpet Stewardship Program Annual Report January 2017 – December 2017

As required by the Product Stewardship for Carpets Law (Public Resources Code Section 42970 - 42983), the California Carpet Stewardship Advisory Committee (“Advisory Committee”) has received a copy of the *Draft CARE California Carpet Stewardship Program Annual Report January 2017 – December 2017* (required pursuant to Section 42976) from Carpet America Recovery Effort (“CARE”), the carpet stewardship organization. The Advisory Committee received the draft Annual Report 30 days before submittal to CalRecycle as required in Section 42972.1 (b).

Included in this letter are comments and recommendations to CARE by the Advisory Committee based on the review of the *Draft CARE California Carpet Stewardship Program Annual Report January 2017 – December 2017*. As required in Section 42972.1 (c), to the extent feasible the Advisory Committee’s recommendations are to be incorporated into the Annual Report by CARE before being submitted to CalRecycle.

If CARE is unable to incorporate the recommendations, a written explanation must be provided to the Advisory Committee and CalRecycle. The explanation should detail whether CARE plans to incorporate the recommendations into a subsequent Annual Report.

California Carpet Stewardship Advisory Committee Members

The Product Stewardship for Carpets Law (Public Resources Code Section 42970 - 42983), requires CalRecycle to appoint an Advisory Committee to provide recommendations to a carpet manufacturer or stewardship organization and to the department on carpet stewardship plans, plan amendments, and annual reports. An additional appointee to the Advisory Committee is also made by both the Senate Committee on Rules and the Speaker of the Assembly.

The Director of CalRecycle appointed the members to the California Carpet Stewardship Advisory Committee according to the general stakeholder categories recommended in the statute. The committee member from the Senate Committee on Rules has also been appointed. The committee member appointee from the Speaker of the Assembly has not yet been announced.

Agendas, meeting minutes and previous committee recommendations are posted on the CalRecycle Carpet Stewardship Advisory Committee webpage at <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Carpet/AdvisoryComm/default.htm>

Advisory Committee Members	Organizations	Representing
DOUG KOBOLD	County of Sacramento	Local Government
DOUGLAS WILLIAMS	Los Angeles Fiber Co./ Reliance Carpet Cushion	Collection and sorting, processing and manufacturing
ERIC NELSON	Interface	Carpet Mills, Collection, processing & recycling of carpet
FRANCO ROSSI	Aquafil USA	Processing & recycling of carpet, Manufacturing
GAIL BRICE	XT Green, Inc.	Processing & recycling of carpet
HOWARD SAPPER	Carpet Manufacturers Warehouse	Carpet Retailers
JOANNE BRASCH, Ph.D	CA Product Stewardship Council	Environmental Community
JOE YARBROUGH	The Carpet & Rug Institute	Carpet Mills
JOHN DAVIS	Mojave Desert & Mountain Recycling Integrated Waste Mgmt Joint Powers Authority	Local Government
KELLY MCBEE	Californians Against Waste	Environmental Community
NAT ISAAC	City of Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation	Local Government
RACHEL PALOPOLI	Planet Recycling	Carpet Collections/Sorting
RACHEL ROSS	Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency	Local Government
STEVE BELONG	Carpet, Linoleum, & Soft Tile Workers Local Union No. 12, District Council 16	Northern CA Floor Covering Finishing Trades Institute Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee
STEVE LANDRETH	ProSpectra Flooring	Senate Committee on Rules
WES NELSON	GreenWaste Carpet Recycling	Carpet Collections/Sorting
VACANT	To Be Appointed	Speaker of Assembly

Advisory Committee Draft Annual Report Review Meeting

The California Carpet Stewardship Advisory Committee participated in teleconference on August 10, 2018 to discuss the *Draft CARE California Carpet Stewardship Program Annual Report January 2017 – December 2017*, which was submitted to the Advisory Committee on July 30, 2018. All committee members participated in the August 10th teleconference except: Franco Rossi, Steve Belong and Wes Nelson. Joe Yarbrough attended the first hour of the meeting but was unable to stay on the call and did not participate in the vote. A quorum was met. Members of the public also attended through the teleconference. The meeting was conducted in compliance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act.

Advisory Committee Draft Annual Report Review Comments and Recommendations

The comments and recommendations of the Advisory Committee regarding the *Draft CARE California Carpet Stewardship Program Annual Report January 2017 – December 2017* are included in the following Motion:

Motion 1.0

1.1 The Committee recommends that CARE makes the following changes to the draft Annual Report:

- a) Present planned and actual expenditures for each subsidy, showing actual tons collected, processed and recycled for each subsidy.
- b) Clarify distinctions between recycled yield, output and rate; including a summary table.
- c) Provide a definition of “recyclability.”
- d) Clarify on Table 1 that “Waste to Landfill” is processing waste and that “Total PCC Waste Disposal to landfill” is inclusive of processing waste.
- e) Include additional justification and demonstrate effectiveness for the expenditures in the Education and Outreach Program, including follow up for the 99 commitments to recycle.
- f) Clarify procedures and follow up for grant recipients.
- g) Include safeguards for safe and legal use of recycled output, such as land spreading of Calcium Carbonate (PC4).

1.2 The Committee has the following comments to CARE regarding the draft Annual Report:

- a) Total PCC Waste Disposal to Landfill in Table 1 increased, while reuse decreased, which does not align with California’s waste hierarchy.
- b) Sixteen counties still have no carpet collection sites.

1.3 The Committee recommends that CalRecycle clarify goal achievement as “continuous and meaningful improvement” and determine applicable goal for 2017.

Motion to approve by John Davis. Seconded by Joanne Brasch

Ayes (11): Doug Kobold, Eric Nelson, Gail Brice, Howard Sapper, Joanne Brasch, John Davis, Kelly McBee, Nat Isaac, Rachel Palopoli, Rachel Ross, Steve Landreth

Nays: (1) Douglas Williams,

Abstain: (0)

Absent/Non-Voting Members: (4) Franco Rossi, Joe Yarbrough, Steve Belong, Wes Nelson

The Motion Passes

Respectfully,

Rachel Palopoli

Rachel Palopoli, Advisory Committee Chair

August 15, 2018

Date