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December 20, 2021

Chris Smith
President
The Drug Takeback Solutions Foundation
635 Vine Street
Winston-Salem, NC 27101

Sent via e-mail

Re: CalRecycle's Completeness Review of The Drug Takeback Solutions Foundation's Covered Drugs Stewardship Plan

Dear Mr. Smith:

The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) received The Drug Takeback Solutions Foundation's (The Foundation) stewardship plan for covered drugs on November 19, 2021, titled, *Stewardship Plan for Covered Drugs: October 21, 2021: Version 2 (November 15, 2021)* and received an addendum on December 16, 2021, titled, *Addendum to Stewardship Plan for Covered Drugs: October 21, 2021: Version 2 (November 15, 2021)*. The California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 14, section 18973.1(b) requires CalRecycle to determine if the stewardship plan is complete and notify The Foundation of its determination within 30 days of receipt.

Staff reviewed The Foundation's stewardship plan for completeness pursuant to the requirements in the Public Resources Code section 42032(c) and CCR section 18973.1(b) and found the stewardship plan is complete. This completeness determination is separate from the compliance determination CalRecycle will now conduct (see CCR sections 18973.1(d)-(f)). CalRecycle has 90 days from the date of the stewardship plan submittal (i.e., February 17, 2022) to review for compliance with all statutory and regulatory requirements and approve, disapprove, or conditionally approve the stewardship plan. Should it be necessary for CalRecycle to consult with other state agencies, CalRecycle's review time may be extended pursuant to CCR section 18973.1(c).

Questions regarding this letter can be directed to pharmasharps@calrecycle.ca.gov.

Regards,

Signed by: Rachel Machi Wagoner, Director Dated: December 20, 2021

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