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Subject: Notification of Compliance Evaluation for the City of Tehachapi's Waste Diversion Programs

Corey Costelloe:

This correspondence serves as notice that the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery's (CalRecycle) Jurisdiction and Agency Compliance and Enforcement Branch (JACE) will be conducting a compliance evaluation of the City of Tehachapi (Jurisdiction) pursuant to Section 18996.1(c) of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (14 CCR). This compliance evaluation will determine if the Jurisdiction is compliant with the following:

- Short-Lived Climate Pollutants (SLCP) (14 CCR sections 18981.1 through 18998.4),
- Mandatory Commercial Organics Recycling (MORe) (Public Resources Code (PRC) sections 42649.8 through 42649.87),
- Mandatory Commercial Recycling (MCR) (PRC sections 42649 through 42649.7 and 14 CCR sections 18835 through 18839), and
- Efforts to implement Source Reduction and Recycling Element (SRRE) (PRC Section 41000 or PRC Section 41300) and Household Hazardous Waste Element (HHWE) (PRC Section 41500 or PRC Section 41510).

A member of JACE will be contacting you shortly with more information about what to expect during the evaluation. A second letter will be sent with a request for information regarding the Jurisdiction's waste diversion programs, including requesting access to the Jurisdiction's SLCP Implementation Record pursuant to 14 CCR Section 18996.1(b). Once the Implementation Record is reviewed and any additional information

has been received, a field visit will be arranged with you that will also include visiting applicable solid waste facilities. With the completion of the field visit and complete analysis of all the available information, a draft report will be shared with you with a request to confer on the findings. The report will then be finalized and sent to you for your records.

If you have any questions about JACE's compliance evaluation, please do not hesitate to contact Francine Robles at [Francine.Robles@CalRecycle.ca.gov](mailto:Francine.Robles@CalRecycle.ca.gov) or (562) 426-7289.

Sincerely,

**Signature on file**

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