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Honorable Melissa Mark-Viverito Speaker, New York City Council City Hall New York, NY 10007

Dear Speaker Mark-Viverito:

Pursuant to Section 1043(b) of the New York City Charter, the New York City Department of Sanitation ("DSNY") submits to you a copy of its Final Rule governing registration requirements for recycling processing facilities in New York City that receive and process recyclable materials.

This rule requires recycling processing facilities to register with DSNY and authorizes DSNY to inspect a facility's site operations to ensure that recyclable materials are effectively processed and that such facility is accurately maintaining records detailing the amount of recyclables received by the facility. To further this goal, recycling processing facilities must submit quarterly reports to DSNY summarizing the amount of materials handled during each quarterly period. This will allow DSNY to more accurately determine the recycling diversion rate within New York City. The Commissioner of DSNY is authorized to adopt this rule pursuant to Sections 753 and 1043(a) of the New York City Charter and Sections 16-130 and 16-463 of the New York City Administrative Code.

DSNY published a Notice of Opportunity to Comment on its proposed rule in the <u>City Record</u> on May 10, 2016 and held a public hearing on the proposed rule on June 16, 2016. DSNY also submitted a copy of the Proposed Final Rule to the City Council on August 1, 2016 in accordance with Section 16-131(e) of the New York City Administrative Code. The Final Rule is being published in the <u>City Record</u> today. This rule will become effective October 24, 2016.

Sincerely,

Robert Orlin

cc: Kathryn Garcia, Commissioner

Jon Paul Lupo, Director, Mayor's Office of City Legislative Affairs Honorable Antonio Reynoso, Chair, NYC Council Committee on Sanitation & Solid Waste

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