

SB 1092 Recycling - Prohibition on the Chemical Conversion of Plastic  
Environment and Transportation Committee  
February 26, 2025

Position: SUPPORT

Chair Korman, Vice Chair Boyce and members of the Environment and Transportation Committee,

My family and I, friends and neighbors in District 43B and everyone I know in the state of Maryland support SB 1092. We do so because chemical or “advanced” recycling is another environmental scam. Chemical recycling plants generate little or no recycled plastic. They produce dangerous air pollution and generate large amounts of hazardous waste. Their construction and operation make environmental injustices much worse. Listed below are resources that explain how and why chemical recycling must be stopped.

I urge you to vote for HB1092 and speed its passage into law.

Beyond Plastic, “CHEMICAL RECYCLING: A DANGEROUS DECEPTION”, Authors: Lee Bell, IPEN - International Pollutants Elimination Network, Mercury and POPs policy advisor; and Jenny Gitlitz, Beyond Plastics director of solutions to plastic pollution, October, 2023, ISBN: 978-1-955400-22-0, [beyondplastics.org](https://beyondplastics.org)

Ohio River Valley Institute, Jacqueline Ebner, Ph.D., Kathy Hipple, MBA, Irina Spector, MBA, “Chemical Recycling: A False Promise for the Ohio River Valley”, July 17, 2024 <https://ohiorivervalleyinstitute.org/>

CENTER FOR CLIMATE INTEGRITY, “The Fraud of “Advanced Recycling”, April 2024. For questions or more information, reach out to [plastics@climateintegrity.org](mailto:plastics@climateintegrity.org). [www.nrdc.org](https://www.nrdc.org)

National Resources Defense Council Fact Sheet, “CHEMICAL RECYCLING” IS NOT RECYCLING: The Plastic Industry Is Greenwashing Incineration”, September 2022. For more information, please contact: Veena Singla [vsingla@nrdc.org](mailto:vsingla@nrdc.org).