

February 24th, 2021

Delegate Kumar Barve, Chair Environment and Transportation Committee 251 House Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: HB 1103 – SUPPORT – Task Force to Study Recycling and the Processing of Solid Waste

Dear Chairman Barve and Members of the House Environment and Transportation Committee:

The Maryland Transportation Builders and Materials Association ("MTBMA") has been and continues to serve as the voice for Maryland's construction transportation industry since 1932. Our association is comprised of 200 members. MTBMA encourages, develops, and protects the prestige of the transportation construction and materials industry in Maryland by establishing and maintaining respected relationships with federal, state, and local public officials.

We greatly appreciate the Sponsor's goals with this legislation and ask this committee to show support for HB 1103. This bill establishes a task force to study and offer recommendations for improving recycling practices. This will provide our State and industry with opportunities to enhance an outdated system, while indirectly addressing environmental and public health concerns. As technology is rapidly changing the way our world works, we must move alongside advancements to effectively serve our region to the best of our ability, and this legislation would provide the necessary and operational guidance to reach these goals we share as a region.

We thank you for your time and consideration and ask for a <u>FAVORABLE</u> report on House Bill 1103.

Thank you

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