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The Honorable Kumar P. Barve, Chair
House Environment and Transportation Committee
Room 251
House Office Building
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re: House Bill 161 - Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority – Evaluation and Termination of Bond Authority (Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority Sunset Act)

Dear Chairman Barve,

The Maryland Environmental Service (MES) is committed to completing the task of reviewing and analyzing whether MES can assume a portion or all of the functions, employees and active contracts of the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority (NMWDA). We will report back to the legislature on or before December 1, 2024.

MES is a leader in Solid Waste Management operations providing engineering, construction, and operations of sustainable 21st Century large scale, diversified and integrated solid waste management systems. The majority of MES's solid waste management work is the operation and engineering support for large scale and sustainable recycling operations, including both traditional recycling and organics recycling as well as renewable energy projects that captures landfill methane emissions at our two Midshore landfills. Beyond that, MES also provides contract support for many of our county and municipal partners.

We look forward to providing the Committee with our analysis and working with the Committee on the appropriate path forward. In the meantime, we are happy to answer any questions.

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