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IMPLEMENTATION OF SENATE BILL (SB) 1249 (Hill, Chapter 756, Statutes of 2014)

Dear Ms. Fockler:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the Department of Toxic Substances Control's (DTSC) planned implementation of SB 1249.

SB 1249, which became law on January 1, 2015, requires DTSC to thoroughly evaluate metal shredding facilities and the wastes they generate to ensure their activities and the management of their wastes do not pose a threat to public health or the environment.

Based on the findings from the evaluation, DTSC will determine if waste management requirements that are protective of human health and the environment can be developed specifically for metal shredding activities and the management of metal shredder waste as an alternative to full hazardous waste management requirements. Based upon available information, DTSC understands that metal shredder waste has been and/or continues to be placed into your solid waste disposal facility as alternative daily cover or for disposal. To carry out elements of the evaluation and analysis required by SB 1249, DTSC will be seeking additional information from you regarding your facility's receipt and management of metal shredder waste. Your cooperation in responding to these requests will assist DTSC in its efforts and allow DTSC to conduct the evaluation required by SB 1249 within the bill's mandated deadlines. Very soon, DTSC will be sending a detailed request for information and is asking that you respond with the requested information as quickly as possible.

DTSC is developing a detailed Work Plan that will describe the activities DTSC intends to carry out to implement SB 1249. DTSC will post its draft Work Plan on its Internet web page and invites your feedback on this plan when it becomes available.
For your information, DTSC has created a new web page that summarizes SB 1249

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and DTSC's responsibilities under the bill. The web page also includes the previously posted historical information regarding the metal shredding industry as well as the treatability study work plan and other documents related to that study. DTSC also welcomes your feedback and suggestions on that web page.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation. If you have any comments or questions about this letter or DTSC's planned efforts please feel free to contact Mr. Kevin Sanchez of my staff at (916) 322-8677 or Kevin.Sanchez@dtsc.ca.gov.

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