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California Resource Recovery Association

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Assembly Member Wesley Chesbro, Chair Assembly Natural Resources Committee California State Capitol Sacramento, CA 95814 FAX: 916-319-2101

RE: AB 2139 (Chesbro) - SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Chesbro,

CRRA supports your measure AB 2139, a bill that would establish a product stewardship system for household pesticides, sharps, and propane tanks of 1.5 quarts and smaller. AB 2139 would establish a much needed consistent, statewide material management system for these products which are banned from landfill disposal, and are hazardous and expensive to manage.

The product stewardship system that AB 2139 would establish would require manufacturers of the covered products to design, fund and operate a program to properly manage the products they sell in California. Such a system would have end-of-life management costs far lower than a patchwork of local government programs. It would also be an incentive for manufacturers to design products that have less environmental impacts, as well as provide businesses and consumers with convenient recycling opportunities for these products statewide.

AB 2139 will reduce an inefficient burden on local governments, and protect public health by realizing the intent of the landfill disposal bans on these products. It will also create private sector green jobs collecting and managing these products.

CRRA strongly supports AB 2139.

Sincerely,

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President

Cc: Members of the Assembly Natural Resources Committee
Members of the Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee