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Warren Johnson
Metro
Regulatory Affairs Department
600 N.E. Grand Ave.
Portland, OR 97232

RE: Proposed changes to Metro Code Chapters 5.00, 5.01, 5.02, 5.05 and 7.01

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Republic Services, Inc. is unable at this time to provide constructive commentary regarding the proposed changes to Metro Code Chapters 5.00, 5.01 5.02 5.05 and 7.01. You have informed us that the "proposed changes seek greater consistency in how Metro reviews and authorizes solid waste facilities, greater transparency in how Metro implements its requirements to protect the environment and the public health, and greater adaptability to changing conditions, all while making the (Metro) Code easier to use and understand." Our inability to comment at this time stems from the lack of a context upon which we can evaluate the ramifications resulting from a change in a provision of the Metro Code you are proposing.

David White, our representative with Oregon Refuse and Recycling Association (ORRA), recommended some time ago that the changes to the Metro Code proposed by you should be considered during the review of the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan. I believe this review will take place in next 12 to 18 months. Republic Services believes a more suitable process would be to adopt the evaluating of your proposed changes to Metro Code 5.00, 5.01 5.02 5.05 and 7.01 during the review of RSWMP which would provide the needed context.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason Jordan".

Jason Jordan
General Manager

cc: Brian May, Republic Services, Inc.
David White, ORRA