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Landfill Owners/Operators:

This letter is being sent to owners/operators of landfill facilities potentially affected by recent actions of the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) regarding automobile shredder wastes. Please be advised that on September 17, 2009, DTSC granted an extension to the effective repeal date regarding conditional authorization-- which allows automobile shredder waste from certain authorized shredder facilities to be classified as non-hazardous waste, under specified conditions.

On September 29, 2008, DTSC informed the owners/operators of each automobile shredding facility operating in the state that DTSC was considering repealing the conditional authorization under which these facilities have been operating since 1986. The conditional authorization allows automobile shredders to treat certain shredder wastes onsite and to dispose of it as non-hazardous waste, under specified conditions. Several solid waste landfills in California accept this treated automobile shredder waste for disposal, often for use as Alternative Daily Cover.

On September 17, 2009, DTSC granted an extension to the proposed repeal of the conditional authorization. The current extension is contingent on continuing progress in the development of alternative management standards that are protective of human health and the environment and does not specify a new effective date for the repeal of the conditional authorization.

As a result, automobile shredder waste from certain authorized facilities managed pursuant to Title 22, California Code of Regulations, Section 66260.200(f) and Policy and Procedure #88-6 may continue to be managed as non-hazardous waste.

If you have questions or require additional assistance in this matter, please contact me at (916) 324-8293 or wbeckman@dtsc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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