



March 25, 2019

The Honorable Cathleen Galgiani
 California State Senate
 State Capitol Building
 Sacramento, CA 95814

Position: Support

Location: Senate Environmental Quality Committee

Re: SB 68 (Galgiani) Hazardous waste: treated wood waste (As Introduced 1/9/19)

Dear Senator Galgiani:

We the undersigned are writing in support of SB 68, legislation that will amend Section 25150.7 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to treated wood waste. This legislation is very important to the producers, workers, haulers, and users of treated wood as the legislation seeks to extend the operations of the current provisions for handling treated wood waste in California.

The prior authorization includes AB 1353 (Matthews) in 2004 (Chapter 597, Statutes of 2004), SB 909 (La Malfa) in 2011 (Chapter 601, Statutes of 2011) and SB 162 in 2015 (Chapter 351, Statutes of 2015).

SB 68 is critical in preserving the economic vitality of the value-added wood preserving industry, which represents over \$110 million in product and supports in excess of \$60 million per year in employment and business tax benefits to the State of California. Also, California citizens, businesses, agriculture, telecommunications, transporters, and government agencies, such as CalTrans and our parks system, that use treated wood products are provided with high standards in health and safety protection for disposing of treated wood waste.

We strongly believe the passage of SB 68 is critical in maintaining a successful program envisioned by the legislature when the original statute was passed in 2004. This bill is good for state and local governments, regulators, producers, workers, haulers, and users of preservative treated wood and California's economy.

Thank you for your leadership on this bill, and we offer our own support for this measure.



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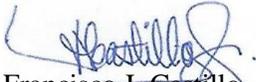
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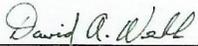
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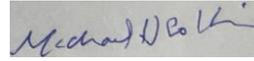
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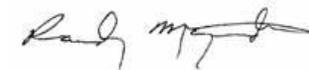
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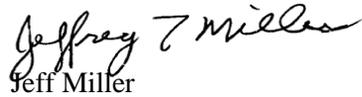
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