March 28, 2022

The Honorable Richard Bloom Assembly Member California State Assembly P.O. Box 942849 Sacramento, CA 94249-0019

RE: AB 2247 (Bloom) - Support

Dear Assembly Member Bloom:

The Orange County Sanitation District (OC San) is pleased to support your bill AB 2247, which would require manufacturers of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) or products containing PFAS to disclose the presence of PFAS in those products in a publicly accessible database. OC San provides wastewater collection, treatment, and recycling for approximately 2.6 million people in central and northwest Orange County, CA. OC San's primary mission is to protect public health and the environment through its services.

PFAS have recently become a topic of public concern due to their high mobility and resistance to breaking down naturally in the environment, as well as the persistent detection of PFAS compounds in people's bodies and in public water systems. Early detection and disclosure of PFAS in products available to the public would give the water and wastewater industry more information and data to make informed decisions about treatment requirements to remove PFAS compounds.

AB 2247 would allow the water and wastewater industry to use the PFAS disclosure data required from manufacturers of PFAS or products containing PFAS to optimize pollution prevention programs at the local level through local pre-treatment programs, as well as generate consumer awareness about the chemicals used in everyday products and how they impact the environment.

For these reasons, we support your bill AB 2247. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jennifer Cabral, Administration Manager at (714) 593-7581 or via mail at JCabral@ocsan.gov.

Sincerely,

John B. Withers Board Chairman

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