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NWRA URGES CHINA TO RECONSIDER CHANGES TO STANDARDS FOR RECYCLABLES

BLS Data Shows a 16 Percent Decline in Fatalities in 2016

Arlington, Va. (December 15, 2017) This week the National Waste and Recycling Association (NWRA) filed comments with the Standardization Administration of China in response to the notification to the World Trade Organization (WTO) that it would modify the standards for imported recyclable materials by March 1, 2018.

"NWRA supports high quality standards for recyclable materials and supports policies to achieve them. Our member companies' processing facilities work to completely eliminate all materials that do not meet those specifications. We support the use of existing, internationally recognized specifications. The global recycling industry will face significant challenges should these standards move forward as written," said NWRA CEO and President, Darrell Smith.

NWRA further commented that modifications to the standards would lead to a decline in recycling rates globally as well as an increase in green-house gas (GHG) emissions. Any pullback in these programs will result in an increase in raw material use and a significant increase in GHG emissions world-wide.

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ABOUT NWRA

The National Waste and Recycling Association represents the private sector waste and recycling services industry. Association members conduct business in all 50 states, and include companies that manage garbage, recycling and medical waste, equipment manufacturers and distributors, and a variety of other service providers. For more information about NWRA, please visit WWW.WASTERECYCLING.ORG.

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