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The Honorable Dr. Akilah Weber
 California State Assembly
 1021 O Street, Suite 4130
 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Assembly Bill 727 – Orange County Sanitation District SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Weber,

On behalf of Orange County Sanitation District (OC San), I write in support of your Assembly Bill 727, which seeks to ensure that additional perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are kept out of our environment. Specifically, this bill focuses on prohibiting manufacturing, selling, delivering, distributing, holding, or offering for sale in the state, a cleaning product that contains regulated PFAS.

OC San provides wastewater collection, treatment, and recycling for a population of about 2.6 million residents in central and northwest Orange County, California. OC San’s primary mission is to protect public health and the environment through its services.

In recent years, California has led the nation in source control legislation aimed at preventing additional PFAS substances from entering our environment. This important bill will add a well-known contributor of PFAS substances to the list of products being addressed in the spirit of source control.

Specifically, AB 727 would prohibit any person from manufacturing, distributing, selling, or offering for sale any cleaning products that contain regulated PFAS, and requires a manufacturer to use the least toxic alternative when removing regulated PFAS in cleaning products to comply with these provisions. This bill is consistent with other bills in recent years that have systematically addressed PFAS contamination across the state.

We appreciate your support on this critical source control bill and look forward to working with you in the future. If 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,

Chad P. Wanke
 Board Chairman

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