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August 18, 2011

Kevin M. Wing, Air Quality Specialist
San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District
1990 East Gettysburg Avenue
Fresno, CA 93726-0244

RE: San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District, RFP TAP11-01
SJVAPCD Technical Assistance Program Proposal

Dear Mr. Wang:

The Association of Compost Producers (ACP) is pleased to submit this proposal in response to the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District, RFP TAP11-01.

As stated more fully in the attached proposal, ACP is a 501(c)3 non-profit association of public and private organizations dedicated to research, demonstration and education about the beneficial and environmental, social and economically sustainable use of organics residuals. Organics recycling by compost production, or renewable carbon management, is a key component of sustainable management of biogenic carbon in solids (plant, animal, human, soil forms), water (dissolved carbon nutrients) and air (CO₂, VOC, HAPs, GHG, etc.).

While this grant proposal is being submitted by the association, whose Board of Directors are listed on the side panel of this letter, the ACP Executive Director, Dan Noble, will be the primary contact person, and the full requested information related to this proposal, is as follows:

Name: Association of Compost Producers
Address: PO Box 1538, Julian, CA 92036-1538
Telephone number: 619-992-8389
DUNS number: 965817914
Total project cost: \$305,000
Requested funding: \$230,000
Contact person for the proposal: Dan Noble

We are excited to submit this proposal on behalf of the compost producers in our state, for the following important reasons:

- Our membership takes seriously its responsibility to enhance, and not degrade, environmental quality, both from its renewable compost products, but also with every more environmentally operations.
- This Proposal addresses all three Focus Areas of:
 - Focus Area I: Renewable Energy—Demonstrating the use of solar energy to power electric blowers in aerated static compost piles.
 - Focus Area II: Waste Solutions—Demonstrate significant and very cost effective VOC, NOx, PM and GHG reduction from positively aerated static compost piles with pseudo biofilter caps.
 - Focus Area III: Mobile Sources—Demonstrate the replacement of large diesel-powered compost loaders with electric powered conveyors, greatly reducing NOx, PM and GHGs by greatly reducing diesel powered equipment on site.
- Technologies proposed are off-the-shelf, but hitherto not used by, or even demonstrated to, the compost industry
- A world class team of compost project managers, operators, air quality scientists and communicators.

We look forward to a positive consideration of this proposal. It will both serve to improve the air quality of the San Joaquin air basin, as well as enhance a sustainable green industry which is required ongoing in the San Joaquin Valley for its agriculture, landscape and natural lands management. This relatively small proposed demonstration project investment can reap large environmental and financial benefits for generations to come.

Very truly yours,



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