

May 27, 2015

Assembly Member Kevin Mullin
State Capitol Building, Room 3160
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assembly Member Mullin:

As you have worked to improve California's Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection programs through your sponsorship of Assembly Bill 45, recent discussions have centered upon the appropriate participatory role of impacted industries should this legislation be enacted.

Our constituencies have consistently indicated that the appropriate role for the pharmaceutical, biotech and medical device manufacturing industries is in the area of public and consumer education about the proper handling, storage, and disposal of our products.

Towards that end, the undersigned associations commit that following the enactment of AB 45 in a form that our member companies believe will ensure a strong commitment by local government to a comprehensive state-wide approach to disposal of household hazardous waste, we will facilitate the establishment and funding of an appropriate non-profit entity dedicated to providing education to California consumers about the appropriate handling and disposal of our industries' products.

This entity, which we propose to be funded by the industry participants represented by the signatories of this letter, as well as other impacted groups, would be funded at the amount of \$5 million dollars over a 5-year period.

The nonprofit entity will provide funds for educational programs through local governments, and also work with other interested parties to publicize the proper handling and disposal of household hazardous waste.

Should you have further questions, please contact Merrill Jacobs at 916-233-3480.

Thank you,

Advanced Medical Technology Association (AdvaMed)
Biotechnology Industry Organization (Bio)
Consumer Healthcare Products Association (CHPA)
Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA)

