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Mr. Jack Warren, Director
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Department of Public Works
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Auburn, California 95603

Dear Mr. Warren:

Thank you for your letter of February 5, 1993, concerning information about federal grants to support the design and construction of a regional Materials and Recovery Facility (MRF). As you stated, your project will help divert and/or reduce the amount of waste from landfills and support the U.S. domestic economy by providing jobs.

The Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Municipal Solid Waste Assistance program provides limited funding to help solve municipal solid waste generation and management problems at the local, regional, and national levels. Projects eligible for funding may include the following types of activities: training, public education programs, studies, and demonstrations. However, funding under this program is restricted to nonprofit organizations. I am enclosing a detailed description of this program for your information.

The Small Business Administration's (SBA's) Pollution Control loans program assists small businesses in financing the planning, design, or installation of pollution control facilities. Under this program, a qualifying small business may apply for SBA loan guarantees of up to \$1,000,000, less the outstanding amount of any SBA financing. I have also enclosed a description of this program.

I hope this information is helpful. We appreciate your interest in reducing waste and providing employment which will support the U.S. domestic economy. We commend your initiatives in both of these areas.

Sincerely yours,

Sylvia K. Lowrance
Director
Office of Solid Waste

Enclosures