COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION & THE ENVIRONMENT

MARY M. CHEH, CHAIR

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON

Implementation of the Sustainable Solid Waste Management Amendment Act of 2014 and B22-501 - Residential Composting Incentives Amendment Act of 2017

Thursday, December 7, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 412 of the John A. Wilson Building 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

On December 7, 2017, Councilmember Mary M. Cheh, Chairperson of the Committee on Transportation and the Environment, will hold a public hearing on the progress the District has made to implement the Solid Waste Management Amendment Act of 2014 and on B22-501, the Residential Composting Incentives Amendment Act of 2017. The hearing will begin at 10:00 a.m. in Room 412 of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.

The Sustainable Solid Waste Management Amendment Act of 2014 aimed to move the District towards its goal of 80% waste diversion by 2030. The legislation included new requirements about separating recyclable materials from solid waste and created an Office of Waste Diversion within the Department of Public Works to implement the legislation. The Committee would like to hear from the public and the Department of Public Works about the agency's progress in implementing this legislation, and how the District can move more swiftly towards its 80% waste diversion goal. The Committee will also hear testimony on B22-501, the Residential Composting Incentives Amendment Act of 2017, which would create a rebate and training program for District residents that purchase home composting systems.

The Committee invites the public to testify or to submit written testimony, which will be made a part of the official Hearing Record. Anyone wishing to testify should contact Ms. Aukima Benjamin, Staff Assistant to the Committee on Transportation and the Environment, at (202) 724-8062 or via e-mail at abenjamin@dccouncil.us. Persons representing organizations will have five minutes to present their testimony. Individuals will have three minutes to present their testimony. Witnesses should bring eight copies of their written testimony and should submit a copy of their testimony electronically to abenjamin@dccouncil.us.

If you are unable to testify in person, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Copies of written statements should be submitted to Ms. Benjamin at the following address: Committee on Transportation and the Environment, John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 108, Washington, D.C. 20004. Statements may also be e-mailed to abenjamin@dccouncil.us or faxed to (202) 724-8118. The record will close at the end of the business day on December 21, 2017.