

May 21, 2015

The Honorable Richard Bloom Assemblymember, 50th District California State Capitol Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 888 (Bloom) – NEUTRAL

Dear Assembly Member Bloom:

On behalf of the Personal Care Products Council, I write to inform you that the Council today wishes to revise our position on AB 888 from OPPOSE, UNLESS AMENDED to NEUTRAL.

As you know, AB 888 would prohibit the sale of personal care products containing plastic microbeads after January 1, 2020.

Microbeads were added to some personal care products because of their excellent safety profile in that they did not present any adverse health or safety concerns for consumers. However, due to potential environmental concerns our members have announced plans to reformulate with alternatives.

I appreciate the efforts you and your staff have made to address industry concerns and thank you for your willingness to engage all stakeholders.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Members, California State Assembly Elizabeth MacMillan, Assembly Committee on Natural Resources Shannon McKinney, Assembly Committee on Environmental Safety & Toxic Materials