



# Maryland

## Department of the Environment

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Dear Processor of Recyclable Materials:

The 1988 Maryland Recycling Act (MRA) requires each county in Maryland and Baltimore City to report annually to the Maryland Department of the Environment (the Department) the:

- (1) Amount and types of materials recycled;
- (2) Total amount, by weight, of solid waste collected;
- (3) Total amount, by weight, of solid waste disposed of at solid waste acceptance facilities;
- (4) Methods of disposal of solid waste used, other than recycling; and
- (5) Percentage reduction in the amount of solid waste needing disposal that has been achieved.

The *MRA Tonnage Report Form for Processors* is necessary so Maryland Counties and Baltimore City can accurately complete the required report.

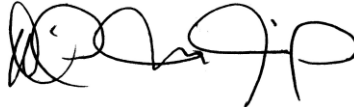
All of the materials necessary to complete the *MRA Tonnage Report Form for Processors* are available on-line in the “Processor MRA Reporting Forms” section of the “County Coordinator Resources” page at [www.mde.maryland.gov/recycling](http://www.mde.maryland.gov/recycling). The direct link for the information is <http://mde.maryland.gov/programs/Land/RecyclingandOperationsprogram/CountyCoordinatorResources/Pages/Programs/LandPrograms/Recycling/Coordinators/index.aspx>. The section includes:

- *MRA Tonnage Report Form for Processors* to be completed and **returned to the County where the recyclables originated**;
- *MRA Tonnage Report Form for Processors Guidelines* that contain information regarding completing the report form;
- *Processor Mailing List – 2017* that contains a list of all processors that received this report;
- *Maryland Zip Codes* that contains an alphabetized list of Maryland post offices and the corresponding county to help determine the origin of recyclables collected; and
- *County Recycling Coordinators Contact Information*.

**IT IS IMPORTANT** to refer to the processor guidelines when completing the form to ensure uniform reporting of recyclables across the State.

**DO NOT return completed forms to the Department.** Report forms should be completed and **returned to the County** (or Baltimore City) where the recyclables originated **by March 11, 2017**. If you have specific questions in completing the report form for a jurisdiction, please contact the appropriate County Recycling Coordinator (see website for the list of County Recycling Coordinators). If you have general questions please contact the Department's Waste Diversion Division at 800-633-6101 x4142, 410-537-3314, or [dave.mrgich@maryland.gov](mailto:dave.mrgich@maryland.gov). Thank you in advance for providing the information needed to determine Maryland's 2016 waste diversion rate.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Mrgich', written in a cursive style.

David Mrgich, Chief  
Recycling Unit

cc: Recycling Coordinator