



**February 19, 2021**

**To: Delegates Stein and Lierman**

**Re: HB 164 Department of the Environment – Office of Recycling – Recycling Market Development**

**To: Senators Kagan, West, and Hester**

**Re: SB 116 Department of the Environment – Office of Recycling – Recycling Market Development**

I am writing to express our sincere appreciation for your sponsorship of HB 164 and SB 116, Department of the Environment – Office of Recycling – Recycling Market Development. The passage of these bills should go a long way toward creating a vibrant recycling economy in Maryland that facilitates business growth, makes recycling economically viable and protects our natural resources.

The Maryland Recycling Network stands ready to continue serving as a sounding board and resource for legislators and others interested in pursuing our mission. Please do not hesitate to contact me via email [poustle@marylandrecyclingnetwork.org](mailto:poustle@marylandrecyclingnetwork.org), phone 301-725-2508 or mail - MRN, PO Box 1640, Columbia MD 21044 if you have any questions or would like additional information regarding the above.

We look forward to working with you to continue the strides we have all made to improve Maryland's recycling programs in a time- and cost-effective manner.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter M. Houstle".

Peter M. Houstle  
Executive Director

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