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Dear Rolfe Phillip and Matt Malkin,

Thank you for engaging with the Regional District of Central Okanagan (RDCO) on November 4, 2021 to discuss Brenda Renewables upcoming organic management business plans.

As discussed within the meeting, the Regional District of Central Okanagan performs Solid Waste Management for the Central Okanagan region, including:

- the implementation of initiatives to meet the goals and targets of the regional Solid Waste Management Plan, and;
- Administers and chairs the Solid Waste Technical Advisory Committee, a team of Solid Waste professionals from each Central Okanagan Municipality, and;
- Administration of regionally significant contracts, such as Curbside Waste disposal, and
- The overall curbside collection program on behalf of all Member Municipalities.

Earlier this year, the RDCO completed a waste composition study. That study confirmed that approximately 50% of landfill bound waste from Single Family homes, and 40% of landfill bound waste from the Commercial sector to be compostable. Those values are not inclusive of our already well-established curbside yard waste program, which collects approximately 5,000 MT per quarter. In addition to yard waste collection, the RDCO also generates approximately 5,500 MT of biosolids per year from operation of the Westside Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant in West Kelowna. The City of West Kelowna also has solids available from existing and future water treatment facilities.

For 2022, the RDCO and its Member Municipalities endeavor to complete an 'Organics Feasibility Study' to determine the feasibility of various organics collections service models and recommend a path forward for the regional management of all residential organic wastes. It is our intent to include Brenda Renewables as an option within that study, to best understand the feasibility of working together to reduce our collective environmental footprint and improve our municipal services.

Please accept this letter as confirmation of our interest in Brenda Renewables and their composting operations for the management of regional residential organics and biosolids. Brenda Renewables commitment to prioritize local organic waste for inclusion within their operations is commendable, and ties directly into priorities established by the Central Okanagan and its Member Municipalities.

Please note, that while we are very much interested in working together to manage this significant waste stream within the Central Okanagan, we cannot commit to use of Brenda Renewables as a regional service provider until we've completed appropriate due diligence,

including, but not limited to: a feasibility study, a service-appropriate pilot, community engagement, and Board consideration.

Thank you for engaging with the RDCO regarding your upcoming operations. We're excited about next steps, and look forward to working with Brenda Renewables as we complete our due diligence in the immediate future.

Regards,

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