

April 8, 2024

The Honorable Diane Papan California State Assembly 1021 O Street, Suite 4220 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Assembly Bill (AB) 2515 (Papan) - Support

Dear Assembly Member Papan:

On behalf of Orange County Sanitation District (OC San) I write in support of your bill AB 2515, which seeks to ensure that additional perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are kept out of our environment. OC San's primary mission is to protect public health and the environment. As a clean water agency, we provide wastewater collection, treatment, and recycling for approximately 2.6 million people in central and northwest Orange County, CA.

In recent years, California has led the nation in source control legislation aimed at preventing additional PFAS substances from entering our environment. Specifically, your bill would prohibit any person from manufacturing, distributing, selling, or offering for sale any menstrual products that contain regulated PFAS, and requires a manufacturer to use the least toxic alternative when removing regulated PFAS in menstrual products to comply with these provisions.

The bill would also require a manufacturer of a menstrual product to provide persons that offer the product for sale or distribution in the State with a certificate of compliance stating that the product is compliant with these provisions and does not contain any regulated PFAS.

We appreciate your support on this critical source control bill and look forward to working with you in the future. For the reasons above, OC San strongly supports AB 2515. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Cabral, OC San Administration Manager, at (714) 593-7581 or via email at JCabral@ocsan.gov.

Sincerely

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