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March 13, 2013

Mr. Barry Jacobs, Chair
Orange County Board of County Commissioners
200 S. Cameron St.
Hillsborough, NC 27278

Re: Changes in Orange County Recycling Program

Dear Barry,

The Carrboro Board of Aldermen strongly opposes the proposed plan to privatize the County's recycling program. This proposed move towards a franchise agreement requires that the Town of Carrboro either absorb the cost of a recycling program within our Town limits or force our residents into an "opt-in" agreement with a franchise hauler. An "opt-in" recycling program will increase inefficiency and decrease participation in recycling, which will ultimately lead to an increase in the amount of solid waste we will haul to Durham, another cost that Carrboro taxpayers will have to absorb.

The Board of Aldermen urges the Board of County Commissioners to keep the recycling program as is, and asks that the County find another funding source for the program. We look forward to working with you concerning the funding options and strongly urge you to find a workable solution. We are all proud of the great recycling program our communities have built, together, and do not wish to see the program disbanded.

Warm Regards,

Mark Chilton
Mayor
Town of Carrboro, NC

CC: Board of Aldermen
Board of County Commissioners
Mayor of Chapel Hill
Mayor of Hillsborough