

6. SB #1365 will take authority away from local governments regarding flow control power over solid waste; it is being proposed after the industry lost court battles under current law. SB #1365 will "gut" the flow control statute as a MRF can effectively operate as a transfer station (indeed, in the Montgomery/Blacksburg lawsuits the company claimed that its facility was a transfer station, even though it is licensed as a MRF).
7. The Montgomery County and Blacksburg ordinances were enacted to save the taxpayers money by maintaining the economies of scale for the regional solid waste authority – this bill would increase costs to local governments and thus to citizens and taxpayers.
8. The amendment to SB #1365 specifically exempts "residue" generated at a MRF. A MRF is built to perform recycling activities, not perform as a transfer station.

Sincerely,
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