

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

August 10, 2020

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: OIG Report on Biosolids

FROM: Charles J. Sheehan

Deputy Inspector General

TO: Greg Kester

Director of Renewable Resource Programs California Association of Sanitation Agencies

Thank you for your July 24, 2020, email to the Inspector General.

You provided the report, "W4170 Multistate Research Committee Response to USEPA OIG Report No. 19-P-0002," and requested that we post the report on the OIG website alongside the OIG November 15, 2018 report EPA Unable to Assess the Impact of Hundreds of Unregulated Pollutants in Land-Applied Biosolids on Human Health and the Environment, No. 19-P-0002. You also invited the OIG to a discussion on the Multistate Research Committee report.

While the information presented within your report is informative, we respectfully decline your invitation to meet or post your report on the OIG website.

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