

**CITY OF BALTIMORE**

CATHERINE E. PUGH, Mayor



**DEPARTMENT OF LAW**

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Baltimore, Maryland 21202

July 27, 2017

The Honorable President and Members  
of the Baltimore City Council  
Attn: Executive Secretary  
Room 409, City Hall  
100 N. Holliday Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 17-0034R – Request for State Action – Set a Strong  
Nitrogen Oxides Limit for the Wheelabrator Baltimore Incinerator

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 17-0034R for form and legal sufficiency. This resolution calls on the Maryland Department of the Environment to set certain limits for Nitrogen Oxides at the Baltimore Incinerator.

A resolution is an appropriate way for the City Council of Baltimore to request action from a state agency. *See, e.g., Inlet Assocs. v. Assateague House Condominium*, 313 Md. 413, 428 (1988). Therefore, the Law Department approves this Resolution for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

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Chief Solicitor

cc: David E. Ralph, Acting City Solicitor  
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