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August 16, 2002

Dear: Waste Hauler or Contractor

SUBJECT: WASTE HAULER PERMIT PACKAGE

On July 3, 2002, the Los Angeles City Council adopted an ordinance requiring that all private waste haulers collecting solid waste within the City obtain a waste hauling permit, pay an AB939 Compliance Fee of ten percent (10%) of gross receipts and submit an annual report with their application. The ordinance will become effective September 1, 2002. All waste hauling commencing September 1, 2002 will be subject to the fee.

The ordinance requires waste haulers to make quarterly payments to the City based on 10% of their gross receipts associated with the collection of waste. The fee shall be paid quarterly and will be due within thirty (30) days following the end of each calendar quarter. The first quarterly payment for the quarter ending September 2002 is due by October 30, 2002. Since the ordinances become effective September 1, the first quarter payment will consist of receipts for September only.

Receipts generated from the collection and sale of source-separated material shall not be subject to the fee. Also, waste haulers whose annual tonnage collected are below one thousand (1,000) tons per year are not subject to the fee. Contractors that haul more than one thousand (1,000) tons per year of their own waste will also be required to obtain a permit and pay a fee. As stated above, material that is source separated will not be subject to the fee. However, all haulers must submit the annual tonnage report.

The purpose of the fee is to establish recycling programs for multi-family residences (such as apartments, condominiums, townhouses), commercial businesses, and other private sector activities. The City will work through its stakeholders (waste haulers, processors, businesses, and residents) to develop programs to reach its goal of diverting 70 percent of the waste generated in the City from landfills. The fees will also be used for recycling incentives, such as a rebate system to provide a financial incentive to use recycling processing facilities.



Included in this package are the application and reporting forms, and instructions for completing the forms. The application and reporting forms are due to the City by September 10, 2002. The forms should be mailed to:

Solid Resources Citywide Recycling Division
433 S. Spring St, 5th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Re: Waste Hauler Permitting

As mentioned above the reporting forms are due with the application. The reporting period is from January 2001 through December 2001. Since information may not have been gathered in the format requested on the reporting documents, for 2001, estimates for this period will be acceptable.

A list of frequently asked questions is included to aid in responding to inquiries from customers. Also included is a letter from the City that may be sent to customers, upon request, explaining the new ordinance. All phone inquires should be directed to (213) 473-8228.

Identical meetings to answer questions on completing the forms will be held August 29 and 30, 2002, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at Los Angeles City Hall, 200 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012, Room 1050 and 1060. If you wish to attend one of these meetings please call (213) 473-8228 to confirm so that adequate seating can be provided. Additional meetings may be scheduled, as required.

Sincerely,

Judith A. Wilson, Director
Bureau of Sanitation

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Attachments

