



April 11, 2017

Greetings,

Enclosed is your municipality's Solid Waste and Recycling Services Agreement (Agreement) with the Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation (Resource Recovery) for Fiscal Years 2018-19, which encompass the one-year periods beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018, beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019. After soliciting feedback on the draft contract from public works directors and recycling coordinators, we reviewed changes and incorporated the changes in the enclosed Agreement. You'll notice a few key changes in this agreement, compared to FY15-17:

- Term: changed to two years for consistency with the Rule "Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation Municipal Cap Calculation Procedure" for the municipal solid waste disposal fees. The fees are specified for each year. The over-the-cap fee is still tied to the 1000-ton contract price of \$67/ton, but holds true for the duration of this agreement.
- Acceptance criteria and Board-approved rate sheet: the acceptance criteria is now an all-encompassing document for all materials we accept here. The former contract included the fees for items such as tires, white goods, and mattresses; the attachments eliminate the need to refer to specific pricing. This also moved most of the language referring to MRF acceptance criteria and loads rejection fees to the acceptance criteria attachment and rate sheet.
- Variance requests for sending materials elsewhere are now required to be submitted at the beginning of the contract and are tied to the two-year term, rather than submitted yearly.
- Recycling incentives: Resource Recovery will continue to offer profit share (Board-authorized, and the municipality has to report yearly on its use), municipal grants, discount on the wholesale cost of recycling bins and a Fiscal Year-End Tip Fee Rebate.

**Please sign and return the enclosed Agreement by close of business (4:30 PM) August 1, 2017. Please return the ten pages that make up the agreement only (not the attachments) to save paper.** After the Corporation receives your signed copy, we will then sign the contract and forward to you a copy of the fully-executed agreement. For each ton disposed on or after August 1, 2017 and up to the date the Agreement is fully executed, over-the-cap fee of \$67/ton will be charged to the municipality for all MSW, until RIRRC receives the signed Agreement. After receiving the signed Agreement, the municipal disposal fee shall be applied. There will be no retroactive adjustments made to any contract solid waste disposal fees charged to the municipality during the time the municipality was disposing MSW without a fully executed Agreement past the Agreement execution deadline.

Please don't hesitate to contact me (x111) or Kristin Littlefield (x252) regarding the agreements.

Sincerely,

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