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MEMORANDUM

TO: Environmental Concerns Committee

THROUGH: Carl S. Goldsmith, Director of Public Works *CG*

FROM: David P. Gorman, Asst. Director of Public Works *D.P.G.*

SUBJECT: **New Commercial Recycling Program**

DATE: April 18, 2011

As discussed previously, Waste Management has implemented a couple new initiatives to increase commercial recycling. First, Yorktown Center is now collecting recyclables from all stores within the mall and is looking into options to increase dock space in order to divert more recyclables from the refuse dumpsters to recycling containers. Secondly, the attached letter was sent to all commercial accounts to offer a free 96-gal recyclables toter (as per the contract) as well as free weekly collection for that toter (outside the contract). Jim Karls will attend the next meeting to provide an update for these initiatives and answer any questions.

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attachment: letter dated 3/18/11



March 18, 2011

Teco Properties
632 E Broadway
Lombard, IL 60148
Acct# 152-8092871

To: All Commercial Customers,

Waste Management is pleased to announce a new initiative to increase commercial recycling. All businesses in the Village of Lombard may obtain one 96-gallon recycling toter and have it serviced on the normal collection day at no charge. Additional 96-gallon-recycling toters would each be charged \$12.69/month. Businesses that are currently paying a weekly collection fee for a recycling toter will be released from that fee for their first toter as of April 1st.

All recyclables may be commingled in the one toter. Acceptable items include aluminum, glass and iron/steel food and beverage containers; plastics labeled #1 through #6 and cardboard and paper without wax liner. Items that are not accepted and cause contamination include #7 or unnumbered plastics (including plastic bags); tempered glass (including mirrors, windows, cooking glassware and light bulbs); ceramics & porcelain; and tempered steel (including coat hangers, pots, pans and household appliances).

A new five-year contract with the Village of Lombard begins on April 1, 2011. The current fees will increase by 3% on that date and by the Consumer Price Index on subsequent years. Additional information is at www.villageoflombard.org. This new recycling initiative is being offered outside of the contract in order to incentivize business owners to increase recycling. It's a good move for you, our company, the Village of Lombard and our environment. Please contact Waste Management Customer Service at 800-796-9696 or wmillin@wm.com to request your recycling toter.

P.S. The Village of Lombard would like to remind property owners that dumpsters as well as all toters must be kept in an enclosed area. As a result, many businesses keep their recycling toter in the building until their collection day.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jim Karls', written over a horizontal line.

Jim Karls
Municipal Marketing Manager

