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Upper Valley Waste Management Agency **Board Agenda Letter**

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Steven Lederer - Manager

Upper Valley Waste Management Agency

REPORT BY: Alice Ramirez, Senior Office Assistant - 259-6716

SUBJECT: Franchises' Status

RECOMMENDATION

FRANCHISES' STATUS

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Manager and Company to provide an update concerning the implementation of franchises' activities.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To brief the Board on various company activities, that may include, but are not limited to:

Specific Items:

- 1. Holiday Newsletter (see attached)
- 2. Adoption of Outreach and Education Plan
- 3. Pond Odor issue at UVDS
- 4. Status of By-back center at CFL

Standing Items that may or may not be discussed further:

- 1. The new Quarterly report (required by our updated Franchise Agreement) is attached for the Board's information.
- Update on the status of the C&D line (damaged in the Glass Fire)
- 3. Provide an update on recent customer outreach efforts
- 4. The Company is considering an investment into a Bio-gasification plant for CFL, which would use woody organics as a fuel to create electricity and biochar. If financially feasible (\$7 million), the plant would support Climate Action plan goals, SB 1383 purchasing requirements, and would be an efficient way to dispose of woody debris. Barriers include permits, financing, and guaranteeing adequate feedstock to "feed" the plant.
- 5. Other happenings of interest to the Board.

6. Update on recycling markets and relevant legislation.

No Board action is anticipated.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

County Strategic Plan pillar addressed:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

Nothing additional.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- A. UVWMA_Q3_2021_Report
- B. Upper Valley Newsletter Holiday 2021
- C. Upper Valley Newsletter Holiday 2021-Spanish

Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Steven Lederer