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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: Belinda Yamate, Secretary, 253-4471

SUBJECT: Franchises' Status

RECOMMENDATION

FRANCHISES' STATUS

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

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Attached are the monthly reports for April 2007. Other information about company activities is included in the background section below.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

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

Company Web Site

Staff has noted that the Upper Valley Disposal Service (UVDS) website is out of date. UVDS has committed to

updating and improving the information on the site. The company will provide an update on progress to date.

Landfill Tip Fees

The recently approved franchise agreement revision for CFL became effective on May 1, and required raising fees at CFL on July 1. UVDS mistakenly raised the landfill fees on May 1. The problem was identified on May 8, and was immediately corrected by the company. All existing customers who could be identified have been provided refunds. The remaining overcharges were *de minimus* in nature (approximately \$1,000 in total). No further action is required on this matter.

E-Waste Event

An e-waste collection event was conducted on April 27, 2007 (for business) and April 28, 2007 (for residential) at the winery adjacent to the UVDS Whitehall Lane facility. The company reports that the event was very well attended.

CIWMB Audit of CFL

The CIWMB audited CFL in March (see attached letter) and raised the issue of better identifying the source of self-haul loads. CFL's response to resolve the issue is also attached.

Increased Recycling Incentives

As a result of comments received from customers, and after a meeting between staff and the company this past week, UVDS will now be offering up to three 96 gallon recycling containers at no charge to commercial customers who have at least 3 of the same size waste containers. Currently only the first recycling container is free. Several businesses which require a large amount of waste service has commented that they would like to recycle more, but are discouraged by the cost of additional recycling containers. Staff and the company believe that this will encourage more recycling with no significant financial impact.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- A. CFL Report
- B. Curbside Report
- C . Origins Report
- D . Single Stream Report
- E . Summary Report
- F. CIWMB Resolution
- G . CIWMB Site Visit to CFL
- H . CFL Response to CIWMB

Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Belinda Yamate