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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: Steven Lederer, Director of Environmental Management - 253-4471

**SUBJECT:** Manager's Report

#### RECOMMENDATION

## **MANAGER'S REPORT**

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Manager to provide an update on the status of current activities.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Manager to provide an update on the status of current activities.

#### **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**

<u>Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) and other Legislative Activities</u>

No new information to provide pending resolution of the State's budget situation.

## Recycling Markets

Because of the current problems in the economy, markets for recycled goods have plummeted in the past months. The Company will provide a brief update on the situation as it relates to UVDS. The CIWMB continues to discuss this subject at their Board meetings as well.

## Accuracy of Weight Information for Public Drive-in Customers at CFL

The agency and company have been reviewing weight records for drive-in customers at CFL. Customers with small loads are charged a set fee (\$11/load) assuming a conversion factor of cubic yards to tons (the rates set at CFL are based on weight, but since small loads are not weighed this conversion factor is needed). It appears that the conversion factor used is underestimating the weight of the average load, and therefore the amount being charged at the gate is, on average, also low. As such, both the company (and UVA via the landfill surcharge), are being under compensated for this service. This issue is addressed in the rate package by readjusting the conversion factor and setting of a minimum charge for small loads. The company is also reviewing it's procedures to ensure that loads that are diverted to the C&D area are properly allocated as such.

# Protection of Customer Information

Recent Federal legislation requires companies that maintain customer account information adopt policies and practices to ensure that information is kept safe. This is the so called "Red Flags" rule. The agency has formally requested (see attached correspondence) that UVDS review its policies and report back its conformance with this federal requirement.

# Monthly Financial Reports

The most recent financial reports are attached. The Manager will provide an analysis of these reports for the Board.

#### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A . Financials

Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Steven Lederer