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RE: 2013 Electronic Annual Report (EAR) Review

Dear Ms. Vargas:

Thank you for your recent letter. Please note the following information regarding the **Construction and Demolition** and **Mandatory Commercial Recycling** issues presented.

Construction and Demolition

1) A description of the City's Construction and Demolition program including education, outreach, and monitoring.

Please see the attached policy document which documents the City's Construction and Demolition program. This information is provided to every person/entity requesting a building permit through the permitting process. Staff provides information to the requesting person/entity and clarifies questions while in the office or via the telephone. As noted in the policy, the person/entity submits information regarding waste diversion at the time of final inspection.

2) Total number of businesses that met CALGreen threshold in 2013 and associated recycling and disposal tonnage.

59 building projects reported meeting the 50% diversion target for a total of 1,574 tons of recycled material.

3) Number of exemption made to C&D recycling per CALGreen.

None.

Mandatory Commercial Recycling

1) The total number of business that meet the threshold and how many are not recycling.

2) The total number of multifamily complexes that meet the threshold and how many are not recycling.

3) How were the businesses/multifamily complexes that were not recycling informed of the law and how to recycle.

4) If applicable, the enforcement efforts and the rationale for allowing exemptions.



Some of the questions above cannot be answered at this time for a variety of reasons. In November 2013, the City of Wasco put out an RFP for green waste and recycling services as part of an overall attempt to reduce the amount of non-recyclable material entering into the waste stream. However, after receiving bids from the RFP respondents (2 entities responded), the City Manager at the time deemed the overall cost to implement the program as too expensive.

Subsequently, in August of 2014, a new RFP was put out for recycling services only. Sadly, only one agency responded. In addition, the agency that responded may have a potential conflict with the City in terms of service due to a Councilmember's involvement in the business. As a result, the City of Wasco is examining whether it can, in fact, accept the RFP and what the possible ramifications may be. It is anticipated if the legal challenges in the RFP are not overcome, a third RFP will be released with a longer contract period in order to encourage more businesses to participate.

Both RFP's required educational components and required the winning entity to keep a count of how many businesses were not recycling and which multifamily complexes met the threshold. In addition, information had been placed on the City website indicating the requirements for businesses and multifamily complexes as to the laws relating to recycling. Announcements were made to each of these entities via the City website or during business luncheons in 2012, 2013, and 2014.

To my knowledge, there have been no exemptions save for those indicated above.

If there are any additional questions or information required, please contact me at 661-758-7214 or by email at paparis@ci.wasco.ca.us

Thank you.

Respectfully,

J. Paul Paris
City Manager

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Roger Mobley, Planning Director
Bob Wren, Interim Director of Public Works



MEMO

From: PLANNING DIRECTOR

Date: JUNE 11, 2014

RE: C & D – CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION WASTE MANAGEMENT PROCESS

The 2013 California Green Code has revised the requirements for construction and demolition waste diversion and for reporting diversion on individual construction and/or demolition projects. The purpose of these requirements is to encourage recycling and to comply with mandatory construction and demolition waste diversion from landfill disposal.

REQUIREMENTS FOR C & D RECYCLING AND REPORTING ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. Construction waste diversion of at least 50%.
 2. Applies to all new construction.
 3. Applies to demolition permits.
 4. Applies to non-residential additions and alterations as follows:
 - Additions of $\geq 1,000$ sq. ft.
 - Alterations of $\geq \$200,000$ of permit valuation
 5. Applies to existing residential additions or alterations where the addition or alteration increases the building's conditioned area, volume or size.
 6. Submit a *Construction & Demolition Waste Management Plan (CWM)* at time of permit issuance. The Plan shall address the following:
 - Identify the construction and demolition waste materials to be diverted from disposal by recycling or reuse on the project.
 - Specify if construction and demolition waste materials will be sorted on-site (source separated) or bulk mixed.
 - Specify if the amount of construction and demolition waste materials diverted shall be calculated by weight or volume.
 7. To finalize a permit with a CWM the applicant shall submit the CWM with all necessary information regarding waste diversion at the time of Final Inspection.
 8. The Building Inspector will verify that the construction or demolition project has complied with the CWM and all information is completed prior to finalizing the permit.
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CITY OF WASCO CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION WASTE MANAGEMENT (CWM) PLAN

Project Name: _____

Address/Lot Number: _____

Contractor Name: _____

Project Manager: _____

Phone: _____

Franchise Waste Hauler: American Refuse, 661-758-5316

- All Subcontractors shall comply with the project's Construction Waste Management Plan.
- All Subcontractor foremen shall sign the CWM Plan Acknowledgment Sheet.
- **The project's Overall Rate of Waste Diversion Shall be a Minimum of 50%**

The chart on the next page identifies the waste materials that will be generated on this project, the diversion strategy for each waste type, and the total weight of recycled materials. The chart also provides a place to identify the weight of waste materials that went to a landfill.

Construction and demolition wastes can be handled on the job site in two ways, as follows:

COMMINGLED OPTION: The franchise hauler will provide a comingled roll-off at the job site for construction or demolition wastes. These comingled roll-offs will be taken to American Refuse in Wasco for sorting and disposal. The average diversion rate for comingled waste is estimated at ____%.

Source-Separated Option: Source separated waste refers to jobsite waste that is not comingled but is instead allocated to a debris box designated for a single waste material type. The franchise hauler will still provide roll-offs or bins that are dedicated to the single waste material types.

Notes:

1. American Refuse, the Franchise Hauler can track and calculate the quantity by weight of all waste leaving the project and then calculate the waste diversion rate for each roll-off or debris bin.
 2. Retain all records, receipts, and weigh tickets to show compliance with the diversion requirements.
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**CONSTRUCTION WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN
 METHOD OF WASTE MATERIALS RECYCLING AND TOTAL DIVERSION ACHIEVED**

Indicate method for each material, record diversion and waste to landfill by weight, and identify diversion rate (percentage) achieved.

<i>Material</i>	<i>Separated out of commingled load by recycling depot</i>	<i>Separated on-site into franchise hauler recycling roll-offs/bins</i>	<i>Separated on-site and self-hauled to recycling depot</i>
Cardboard & Paper			
Asphalt & Concrete			
Scrap Metal			
Wood			
Roofing Materials			
Drywall			
Landscape Debris			
Re-usable Fixtures			

<i>Total Diversion Weight</i>	<i>lbs./tons</i>
<i>Total Waste to Landfill Weight</i>	<i>lbs./tons</i>
<i>Overall rate of Waste Diversion</i>	<i>%</i>