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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 MGT, 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

CURRENT ISSUES

Enforcement of Non-Franchisee Drop Boxes

The Company and the LEA have noticed an increasing number of non-franchisee drop boxes in the UVA area. The

LEA cited several offenders. The LEA will be present to provide the Board an update on this issue, which is important in that it directly impacts the financial operations of the company and the Agency.

<u>Update on Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Programs and Related Legislation</u>

EPR and "take back" requirements are growing trends to minimize the impact to the local government (and their rate payers) from products that are difficult to dispose of. Sonoma County has recently adopted an EPR Implementation Plan and various legislation, such as AB 1193 (Thermostat Recycling), and AB 501 (Sharps Take Back) is working its way through Sacramento. The Agency Manager will continue to update the Board on trends in this area.

WRAP Award Winners

Two area businesses, Beaulieu Vineyards and Trinchero Family Estates, were recently awarded excellence in waste reduction awards from the CIWMB.

Composting Classes

The last class, held in St. Helena, attracted 47 attendees.

<u>Correspondence</u>

Letters supporting the City of Napa and Del Norte County in separate Grant Proposal efforts are attached for the Board's information.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

Recycling Enclosures

Staff has commenced work with the City of Napa and their consultant to assist with developing an ordinance. Staff will be involved with this process in order to provide for consistency across the County. More information will be provided when it is available.

Financial Reports

The current financial reports are attached.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- A . Sonoma County EPR
- B . Del Norte Letter of Support
- C . Napa City Letter of Support
- D. UVWMA Financial Report

Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Belinda Yamate