

**NORTH OAKLAND COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE
INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
OAKLAND COUNTY
AND
[NAME OF MUNICIPALITY]**

This Interlocal Agreement ("the AGREEMENT") is made between Oakland County, a Constitutional and Municipal Corporation, 1200 North Telegraph, Pontiac, Michigan 48341 ("COUNTY"), and [Name and Address of Municipality] _____ ("MUNICIPALITY").

In this AGREEMENT the COUNTY and the MUNICIPALITY may also be referred to individually as "Party" or jointly as "Parties."

1. INTRODUCTORY STATEMENTS

- 1.1 The northern cities, villages and townships of Oakland COUNTY are committed to protection of the natural environment and preventing toxic materials from entering their waterways and landfill resources.
- 1.2 In order to accomplish this goal, there is a need to provide regular and easily accessible household hazardous waste collection services to north Oakland COUNTY residents.
- 1.3 These northern cities, villages and townships have sought the COUNTY'S assistance in coordinating a household hazardous waste collection program.
- 1.4 The COUNTY has agreed to assist these communities by coordinating and facilitating this AGREEMENT in order to form a comprehensive household hazardous waste management program.
- 1.5 This interlocal AGREEMENT will allow participating communities to obtain economic benefits of scale, without placing an undue burden on any one community, in the provision of a coordinated program of household hazardous waste collection and disposal. Residents of these communities will enjoy access to a coordinated, convenient, ongoing collection program supported by an aggressive educational program regarding the hazards of household hazardous wastes and their proper re-use and disposal.

2. PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT Pursuant to the Urban Cooperation Act of 1967, 1967 PA 7, MCL 124.501 *et seq.*, the COUNTY and the MUNICIPALITY enter into this AGREEMENT for the purpose of developing a comprehensive household hazardous waste management program ("Program") that will meet the following goals and objectives.

3. GOALS OF THE PROGRAM:

- 3.1 To provide regular, reliable and easily accessible household hazardous waste collection services to the residents of northern Oakland COUNTY. The Program will help prevent toxic materials from entering Oakland COUNTY'S waterways, water tables, and landfill resources and help to remove them from potentially hazardous situations in area households.
- 3.2 To establish, coordinate, and promote an educational program to inform residents about re-use, return, and reduction of potentially hazardous materials, bolster community spirit, and educate residents about environmentally sensitive behavior in general.

4. OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAM:

- 4.1 Increase public awareness of return, disposal, and source reduction options.
- 4.2 Initiate a reliable, regular, and convenient collection program for household hazardous waste collection;
- 4.3 Promote knowledge of program requirements;
- 4.4 Help divert significant quantities of household hazardous materials from landfills;
- 4.5 Help return significant quantities of potentially household hazardous materials to point of purchase or recycling outlets for proper disposition; and
- 4.6 Collect data about the amount and type of household hazardous materials in north Oakland COUNTY and their ultimate disposition.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises, obligations, representations, and assurances in this AGREEMENT, the Parties agree to the following:

5. DEFINITIONS The following words and expressions used throughout this AGREEMENT, whether used in the singular or plural, within or without quotation marks, or possessive or non-possessive, shall be defined, read, and interpreted as follows:

- 5.1 "**ACCEPTABLE HAZARDOUS WASTE**" shall be defined as any and all forms of HAZARDOUS WASTE that the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR specifically agrees to collect and properly dispose of and/or recycle at any and all collection events throughout this program.
- 5.2 "**ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS**" shall be defined as any and all Program costs, expenses, wages, salaries, fringe benefit costs, equipment, supplies, administrative overhead, building costs, or any costs and expenses that are incurred and/or paid by the COUNTY in the administration of this program. Administrative Costs and HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION COSTS are mutually exclusive cost categories.

- 5.3 **“AGENT” OR “AGENTS”** of the COUNTY or the MUNICIPALITY, shall be defined to include any and all of that Party’s officers, elected officials, appointed officials, directors, board members, council members, authorities, boards, committees, commissions, employees, managers, departments, divisions, volunteers, AGENTS, representatives, and/or any such persons’ successors or predecessors, employees, attorneys, or auditors (whether such persons act or acted in their personal, representative, or official capacities), and/or any and all persons acting by, through, under, or in concert with any of them. AGENT shall also include any person who was an AGENT at any time during this AGREEMENT but for any reason is no longer employed, appointed, or elected in that capacity. AGENT, as defined for any purpose in this AGREEMENT, shall NOT include the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR.
- 5.4 **“AGREEMENT”** means the terms and conditions of this AGREEMENT, Exhibits A and B referenced below and any other mutually agreed to and properly executed modification, amendment, addendum, or change order.
- 5.4.1. **Exhibit A** (ADMINISTRATIVE and HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION COSTS)
- 5.4.2. **Exhibit B** (Population statistics and estimates of percentage of total participation in program contributed by MUNICIPALITY used to calculate ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS of this program for participating MUNICIPALITIES).
- 5.5 **“CLAIM(S)”** means any alleged losses, claims, complaints, demands for relief or damages, suits, causes of action, proceedings, judgments, deficiencies, liability, penalties, litigation, costs, and/or expenses of any kind which are imposed upon, incurred by, or asserted against a Party.
- 5.6 **“COLLECTION SCHEDULE”** means the dates scheduled for hazardous waste collection services throughout North Oakland County. Oakland County will schedule dates and times for hazardous waste collection services for the 2011 year program in cooperation with the NO HAZ Board.
- 5.7 **“COLLECTION SITE PROTOCOL”** shall be a clearly defined set of operating procedures for every scheduled hazardous waste collection event. This protocol shall clearly define the duties and responsibilities of the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR, COUNTY, and MUNICIPALITY at each collection event. The protocol shall clearly provide that the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR is solely responsible for the collection, sorting, transport and proper disposition of all ACCEPTABLE HAZARDOUS WASTE collected at an event. The COUNTY has developed this protocol in consultation with the NO HAZ VENDOR and NO HAZ BOARD, and will update as needed or requested by the parties

- 5.8 **“COUNTY”** means Oakland County, a Municipal and Constitutional Corporation including, but not limited to, all of its departments, divisions, the County Board of Commissioners, elected and appointed officials, directors, board members, council members, commissioners, authorities, committees, employees, AGENTS, subcontractors, volunteers, and/or any such persons’ successors.
- 5.9 **“HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR”** shall be defined as the vendor selected by the COUNTY to perform hazardous waste collection services on behalf of participating municipalities. The HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR will conduct and oversee household hazardous waste collection events throughout northern Oakland County. The vendor will be responsible for all core operations at each event including receiving and handling of household hazardous wastes, waste characterization, manifestation and ultimate disposition of materials collected. The vendor will assume all liability for ACCEPTABLE HAZARDOUS WASTE once collected.
- 5.10 **“HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION COSTS”** shall be defined as any and all actual amounts paid to the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR by the COUNTY on behalf of participating MUNICIPALITIES for the collection and disposal of ACCEPTABLE HAZARDOUS WASTE.
- 5.11 **“MUNICIPALITY”** as defined above also includes, without limitation, its Council, any and all of its departments, its divisions, elected and appointed officials, directors, board members, council members, commissioners, authorities, committees, employees, AGENTS, subcontractors, volunteers, and/or any such persons’ successors.
- 5.12 **“NORTH OAKLAND HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE ADVISORY BOARD” (“NO HAZ BOARD”)** means an advisory board made up of one appointed representative from each participating MUNICIPALITY. This board shall provide counsel and recommendations to the COUNTY regarding the operation and administration of this Program.
- 5.13 **“PARTICIPATING MUNICIPALITY”** means a city, village or township that has agreed to participate in the North Oakland Household Hazardous Waste Program. Municipal participation shall be evidenced by a duly executed Interlocal Agreement between Oakland County and a city, village or township.
- 5.14 **“PROGRAM HOST”** means any entity, public or private, which has agreed to allow the COUNTY, the PARTICIPATING MUNICIPALITIES, and the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR to conduct a hazardous waste collection event on its premises.
6. **COUNTY RESPONSIBILITIES** Subject to the terms and conditions contained in this AGREEMENT, and applicable changes in law, the COUNTY shall carry out the following:

- 6.1 The COUNTY shall be responsible for development and operation of the Program and shall enter into contracts for the benefit of the Program. Such contracts include, but are not limited to, a contract with the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR.
- 6.2 The COUNTY, together with the NO HAZ BOARD, will monitor the services and activities of the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR in order to insure that all terms and conditions of the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR contract are satisfied. The COUNTY will take whatever steps are reasonably necessary, in its sole discretion, to modify or correct a deficiency in the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR service and/or to enforce or terminate the agreement in the event of default by the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR.
- 6.3 The COUNTY shall be responsible for selecting dates and locations for hazardous waste collection services with the recommendation of the NO HAZ BOARD.
- 6.4 The COUNTY, in consultation with the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR and NO HAZ BOARD, shall develop a COLLECTION SITE PROTOCOL for hazardous waste collection events within the MUNICIPALITY.
- 6.5 The COUNTY, in consultation with the NO HAZ BOARD, shall formulate a survey to be filled out by MUNICIPAL residents upon their arrival at a scheduled collection event. This survey will require residents to provide their name and address (including street, city or township and zip code). Information gathered within this survey shall only be used for reasons directly related to the administration of the NO HAZ program including, but not limited to, the calculation of HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION COSTS for PARTICIPATING MUNICIPALITIES. Each NO HAZ BOARD member shall have the right at any time to review the addresses of participants to verify all are located within the MUNICIPALITY. All personal identifying information collected from MUNICIPAL residents shall be regarded as confidential and will not be released by the COUNTY, the MUNICIPALITY or a NO HAZ BOARD member except as required by law or court order.
- 6.6 The COUNTY shall provide educational support for the Program.

7. **MUNICIPALITY'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 7.1 Upon approval of this agreement, the MUNICIPALITY shall appoint a MUNICIPAL AGENT to the NO HAZ BOARD to represent its interests. This Board member shall be available to assist the COUNTY, as necessary, in the administration of the program within the MUNICIPALITY.
- 7.2 Each MUNICIPALITY will provide MUNICIPAL AGENT(S) to work at each collection event as the Parties agree that many workers are needed to make each collection event run smoothly. The MUNICIPAL AGENT(S) provided shall assist the COUNTY and HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR in the set-up and operation of hazardous waste collection events. Such

7.2.1 A MUNICIPALITY with a population of 30,000 or less will provide one MUNICIPAL AGENT at each scheduled collection event. A MUNICIPALITY with a population of 30,001 or more is required to provide two MUNICIPAL AGENTS at each scheduled collection event. One additional MUNICIPAL AGENT will be provided by each MUNICIPALITY for the collection event held at Oakland University.

7.3 In the event that a MUNICIPALITY fails to supply the required MUNICIPAL AGENTS to work at any given collection event, the MUNICIPALITY will be assessed the following fees based upon the most recent available census figures.

7.3.1 A MUNICIPALITY that had 125 participants or less at the 2010 NO HAZ events will be assessed \$50.00 per collection event in 2011.

7.3.2 A MUNICIPALITY that had more than 126 but less than 401 total participants at the 2010 NO HAZ events will be assessed \$125.00 per collection event in 2011.

7.3.3 A MUNICIPALITY that had 401 or more total participants at the 2010 NO HAZ events will be assessed \$250.00 per collection event in 2011.

7.3.4 In the event a PARTICIPATING MUNICIPALITY that is new to the Program in 2011 fails to provide the required MUNICIPAL AGENT(S) at a scheduled collection event, the MUNICIPALITY will be assessed a fee of \$50.00 per event if it has a population of less than 10,000, \$125.00 per event if it has a population between 10,001 and 50,000, and \$250.00 per event if it has a population of 50,001 or more.

8. **MUNICIPAL AGENTS SHALL NOT BE DEEMED COUNTY EMPLOYEES** The Parties agree that no MUNICIPALITY AGENT shall be considered a COUNTY employee or COUNTY AGENT for any purpose under this AGREEMENT. The MUNICIPALITY agrees that it shall be solely and completely liable for any and all MUNICIPALITY AGENTS' past, present, or future wages, compensation, overtime wages, expenses, fringe benefits, pension or retirement benefits, travel expenses, mileage allowances, training expenses, transportation costs, and/ or other allowances of reimbursements of any kind, including, but not limited to, workers' disability compensation benefits,

unemployment compensation, Social Security Act protections and benefits, any employment taxes and/or any other statutory or contractual right or benefit based on or in any way related to any MUNICIPALITY AGENT'S employment status. The MUNICIPALITY agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the COUNTY from and against any and all CLAIM(S) which are imposed upon, incurred by, or which are based upon, result from, or arise from, or are in any way related to, any MUNICIPALITY AGENT'S wages, compensation, benefits or other employment-related or based rights, including, but not limited to, those described in this Paragraph.

9. **NEITHER THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY SHALL HANDLE OR DISPOSE OF HAZARDOUS WASTE** Neither the MUNICIPALITY nor the COUNTY is responsible for handling or disposing of household hazardous waste. This function will be performed solely by the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR.
10. **MUNICIPALITY MAY LIMIT PARTICIPATION OF RESIDENTS** If a MUNICIPALITY decides to limit the number of residents it will allow to participate at one or more collection events, the MUNICIPALITY will identify a method to limit such participation (which may include, for example, a voucher, pre-registration or other reasonable process). The MUNICIPALITY must communicate the process it intends to use to limit resident participation to the COUNTY in advance of a collection event to ensure smooth enforcement of this process and to allow the COUNTY ample time to communicate the process to potential resident participants in applicable advertising regarding upcoming events.
11. **PARTICIPATION FEES** The policy of the NO HAZ Consortium will be to charge each resident that participates in a collection event a participation fee of \$10.00 per collection event in 2011. All participation fees shall be applied directly to off-set the total HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION FEES owed by the resident's MUNICIPALITY. If a municipality elects not to charge its residents a participation fee, it will advise the COUNTY of this fact no less than 60 days prior to a collection event so that proper procedures may be put in place to register the MUNICIPALITY'S residents without collecting participation fees.
12. **FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES**
 - 12.1 The COUNTY, subject to the terms of this AGREEMENT, will advance such funds as are necessary to pay the HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION COSTS and ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS of the PROGRAM. The MUNICIPALITY shall repay the COUNTY in the following manner.
 - 12.2 The MUNICIPALITY shall repay the COUNTY a percentage of the total ADMINISTRATIVE COST of the PROGRAM. The MUNICIPALITY'S share of administrative costs under the program shall be the sum total of two different calculations. The first calculation, based upon MUNICIPAL population figures, represents half of the MUNICIPALITIES share of ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS under the program. This figure shall be based upon total MUNICIPAL population compared to the overall

population of participating MUNICIPALITIES program-wide. For purposes of illustration without limitation, if the MUNICIPALITY consists of 1,000 residents and there are a total of 10,000 MUNICIPAL residents served program-wide, then the MUNICIPALITY would pay 10 (ten) percent of this half of the PROGRAM'S total ADMINISTRATIVE COST. The second half of the MUNICIPALITY'S total ADMINISTRATIVE COST shall be the percentage of total MUNICIPAL participation compared to the overall participation of residents program-wide. For purposes of illustration without limitation, if 1,000 MUNICIPAL residents participate in the program and there are a total of 10,000 MUNICIPAL residents participating program-wide, then the MUNICIPALITY would pay 10 (ten) percent of this half of the ADMINISTRATIVE COST.

- 12.2.1 If a MUNICIPALITY hosts a hazardous waste collection event as part of this program on municipally-owned property, the MUNICIPALITY shall be reimbursed by the COUNTY out of the program's administrative budget. The amount of money provided to reimburse a MUNICIPALITY for hosting a collection event shall be a set amount and will be determined by the NO HAZ BOARD. Any expenses incurred by a MUNICIPALITY which are beyond the amount determined by the NO HAZ BOARD to be appropriate for a collection event shall be the sole responsibility of the MUNICIPALITY.
- 12.2.2 The MUNICIPALITY shall also repay the COUNTY a portion of the HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION COSTS. The HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION COSTS will be all costs paid by the COUNTY to the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR for collecting and disposing of a MUNICIPAL resident's hazardous waste material. The MUNICIPALITY may cap its HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION COSTS by limiting the number of MUNICIPAL residents that may participate in collection events. The MUNICIPALITY shall advise the COUNTY of any such limitation upon MUNICIPAL resident participation.
- 12.2.3 The COUNTY shall submit an invoice to the MUNICIPALITY itemizing all amounts due under this AGREEMENT for its share of ADMINISTRATIVE and HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION COSTS. The MUNICIPALITY shall pay the invoice submitted to the COUNTY within thirty (30) days after receipt of the invoice.
- 12.2.4 Except as expressly provided in this AGREEMENT, the COUNTY is not responsible for any cost, fee, fine or penalty incurred by the MUNICIPALITY in connection with this AGREEMENT.

13. MUNICIPALITY'S FAILURE TO PAY

- 13.1 If the MUNICIPALITY, for any reason, fails to pay the COUNTY any monies when and as due under this AGREEMENT, the MUNICIPALITY agrees that unless expressly prohibited by law, the COUNTY or the County Treasurer, at their sole option, shall be entitled to setoff from any other MUNICIPALITY funds that are in the County's possession for any reason. Funds include but are not limited to the Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund ("DTRF"). Any setoff or retention of funds by the COUNTY shall be deemed a voluntary assignment of the amount by the MUNICIPALITY to the COUNTY. MUNICIPALITY waives any CLAIMS against the COUNTY or its Officials for any acts related specifically to the COUNTY'S offsetting or retaining such amounts. This paragraph shall not limit MUNICIPALITY'S legal right to dispute whether the underlying amount retained by the COUNTY was actually due and owing under this AGREEMENT.
- 13.2 If the COUNTY chooses not to exercise its right to setoff or if any setoff is insufficient to fully pay the COUNTY any amounts due and owing the COUNTY under this AGREEMENT, the COUNTY shall have the right to charge up to the then-maximum legal interest on any unpaid amount. Interest charges shall be in addition to any other amounts due to the COUNTY under this AGREEMENT. Interest charges shall be calculated using the daily unpaid balance method and accumulate until all outstanding amounts and accumulated interest are fully paid.
- 13.3 Nothing in this Section shall operate to limit the COUNTY'S right to pursue or exercise any other legal rights or remedies under this AGREEMENT against MUNICIPALITY to secure reimbursement or amounts due the COUNTY under this AGREEMENT. The remedies in this Section shall be available to the COUNTY on an ongoing and successive basis if the MUNICIPALITY at any time becomes delinquent in its payment. Notwithstanding any other term and condition in this AGREEMENT, if the COUNTY pursues any legal action in any court to secure its payment under this AGREEMENT, the MUNICIPALITY agrees to pay all costs and expenses, including attorney's fees and court costs, incurred by the COUNTY in the collection of any amount owed by MUNICIPALITY.

14. EACH PARTY RESPONSIBLE FOR ITS OWN ACTIONS UNDER AGREEMENT

- 14.1 Each Party shall be responsible for any CLAIMS made against that Party and for the acts of its Employees or AGENTS.
- 14.2 In any CLAIMS that may arise from the performance of this AGREEMENT, each Party shall seek its own legal representation and bear the costs associated with such representation including any attorney fees.

- 14.3 Except as otherwise provided in this AGREEMENT, neither Party shall have any right under any legal principle to be indemnified by the other Party or any of its employees or AGENTS in connection with any CLAIM.
- 14.4 This AGREEMENT does not, and is not intended to, impair, divest, delegate or contravene any constitutional, statutory, and/or other legal right, privilege, power, obligation, duty or immunity of the Parties. Nothing in this AGREEMENT shall be construed as a waiver of governmental immunity for either PARTY.

15. **HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR INDEMNIFICATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY**

15.1 The COUNTY shall require the following indemnification for participating MUNICIPALITIES within the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR CONTRACT:

15.1.1 "The Contractor will protect, defend and indemnify the COUNTY, PROGRAM HOSTS, and all PARTICIPATING MUNICIPALITIES, together with their controllers; trustees, officers, agents, servants, volunteers, and employees from any and all liabilities, claims, liens, demands, and costs, of whatever kind and nature which may result in injury or death to any persons, and for loss or damage to any property, including property owned or in the care, custody or control of the COUNTY, PROGRAM HOSTS or PARTICIPATING MUNICIPALITIES in connection with or in any way incident to or arising out of the occupancy, use, service operations, performance, or non-performance of work in connection with this contract resulting in whole or in part from negligent acts or omissions of the Contractor, or any sub-contractor, or any employee, agent or representative of the Contractor or subcontractor."

15.1.2 "The indemnification rights contained in this Contract are in excess and over and above any valid and collectible insurance rights/policies."

15.1.3 "Contractor waives and releases all actions, liabilities, loss and damage including any subrogated rights it may have against the COUNTY, PROGRAM HOSTS, or PARTICIPATING MUNICIPALITIES based upon any CLAIM brought against the COUNTY, PROGRAM HOST, OR PARTICIPATING MUNICIPALITIES by a Contractor Employee."

16. **LENGTH OF AGREEMENT** This AGREEMENT shall become effective at 12:01 A.M., January 1, 2011, and shall remain in effect continuously until it expires, without any further act or notice being required by either party, at 11:59 P.M. on December 31, 2011.

17. **TERMINATION OR CANCELLATION OF AGREEMENT** Once the agreement commences (as described in section 11 above), the parties may only terminate this AGREEMENT as provided below:
- 17.1 Either Party may terminate or cancel this AGREEMENT for any reason upon thirty (30) days' notice. The effective date for termination or cancellation shall be clearly stated in the notice. If the MUNICIPALITY terminates this AGREEMENT after commencement of the program, it shall nevertheless remain liable for its share of the ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS and HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION COSTS for the entire term of this Agreement.
- 17.2 The COUNTY may cancel this AGREEMENT at any time should the MUNICIPALITY "default" on any obligation under this AGREEMENT. "Default" is defined as the failure of the MUNICIPALITY and/or any MUNICIPALITY AGENT to fulfill any MUNICIPALITY obligations under this AGREEMENT. If time permits, but not otherwise, the COUNTY shall notify the MUNICIPALITY in writing of any default and provide the MUNICIPALITY with an opportunity to correct the situation. If after a reasonable period to cure the default, the MUNICIPALITY has not corrected the circumstances giving rise to the notice, the COUNTY may cancel this AGREEMENT and terminate the MUNICIPALITY'S further participation in this program.
18. **SUSPENSION OF SERVICES** Upon notice to the MUNICIPALITY and the NO HAZ ADVISORY BOARD the COUNTY may immediately suspend this AGREEMENT if the MUNICIPALITY has failed to reasonably comply, within the COUNTY'S sole discretion, with federal, state, or local law, or any requirements contained in this AGREEMENT. The right to suspend services is in addition to the right to terminate or cancel this AGREEMENT contained in Section 13. The COUNTY shall not incur penalty, expense, or liability if services are suspended under this Section.
19. **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY** The Parties agree that the COUNTY used its best efforts and judgment when selecting a HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR for this program. The MUNICIPALITY agrees to waive any CLAIM(S) or liability against the COUNTY for any material defects, errors, mistakes, negligence, or omissions in the bid specifications, the bid procedure, the bid award process, the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR contract negotiation process, the preparation or execution of the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR contract, or any other errors or mistakes of fact by the COUNTY in the selection of the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR. The MUNICIPALITY agrees that at all times and for all purposes under this AGREEMENT, the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR relationship to the COUNTY shall be that of an Independent Contractor and not a COUNTY AGENT as defined herein. The MUNICIPALITY hereby agrees to waive any CLAIM(S) or liability against the COUNTY based in any manner upon any act or omission of the HAZARDOUS WASTE VENDOR.

20. **NO THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES** Except as provided for the benefit of the Parties, this AGREEMENT does not and is not intended to create any obligation, duty, promise, contractual right or benefit, right to indemnification, right to subrogation, and/or any other right, in favor of any other person or entity.
21. **COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS** Each Party shall comply with all federal, state, and local statutes, ordinances, regulations, administrative rules, and requirements applicable to its activities performed under this AGREEMENT, including, but not limited to, the policies, procedures, rules and regulations attached as Exhibits to this AGREEMENT, and properly promulgated amendments to those Exhibits.
22. **DISCRIMINATION** The Parties shall not discriminate against their employees, AGENTS, applicants for employment, or another persons or entities with respect to hire, tenure, terms, conditions, and privileges of employment, or any matter directly or indirectly related to employment in violation of any federal, state or local law.
23. **PERMITS AND LICENSES** Each Party shall be responsible for obtaining and maintaining, throughout the term of this AGREEMENT, all licenses, permits, certificates, and governmental authorizations necessary to perform all its obligations under this AGREEMENT. Upon request, a Party shall furnish copies of any permit, license, certificate or governmental authorization to the requesting Party.
24. **RESERVATION OF RIGHTS** This AGREEMENT does not, and is not intended to impair, divest, delegate, or contravene any constitutional, statutory, and/or other legal right, privilege, power, obligation, duty, or immunity of the Parties.
25. **FORCE MAJEURE** Each Party shall be excused from any obligations under this AGREEMENT during the time and to the extent that a Party is prevented from performing due to causes beyond such Party's control, including, but not limited to, an act of God, war, acts of government (other than the Parties'), fire, strike, labor disputes, civil disturbances, reduction of power source, or any other circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the affected Party. Reasonable notice shall be given to the affected Party of any such event.
26. **IN-KIND SERVICES.** This AGREEMENT does not authorize any in-kind services, unless previously agreed to by the Parties and specifically listed herein.
27. **DELEGATION/SUBCONTRACT/ASSIGNMENT** A Party shall not delegate, subcontract, and/or assign any obligations or rights under this AGREEMENT without the prior written consent of the other Party. A delegation, subcontract and/or assignment made without the prior written consent of the other Party is void.
28. **NO IMPLIED WAIVER** Absent a written waiver, no act, failure, or delay by a Party to pursue or enforce any rights or remedies under this AGREEMENT shall constitute a waiver of those rights with regard to any existing or subsequent breach of this AGREEMENT. No waiver of any term, condition, or provision of this AGREEMENT, whether by conduct or otherwise, in one or more instances,

shall be deemed or construed as a continuing waiver of any term, condition, or provision of this AGREEMENT. No waiver by either Party shall subsequently affect its right to require strict performance of this AGREEMENT.

29. **SEVERABILITY** If a court of competent jurisdiction finds a term, or condition, of this AGREEMENT to be illegal or invalid, then the term, or condition, shall be deemed severed from this AGREEMENT. All other terms, conditions, and provisions of this AGREEMENT shall remain in full force.
30. **CAPTIONS** The section and subsection numbers, captions, and any index to such sections and subsections contained in this AGREEMENT are intended for the convenience of the reader and are not intended to have any substantive meaning. The numbers, captions, and indexes shall not be interpreted or be considered as part of this AGREEMENT. Any use of the singular or plural number, any reference to the male, female, or neuter genders, and any possessive or non-possessive use in this AGREEMENT shall be deemed the appropriate plurality, gender or possession as the context requires.
31. **NOTICES** Notices given under this AGREEMENT shall be in writing and shall be personally delivered, sent by express delivery service, certified mail, or first class U.S. mail postage prepaid, and addressed to the person listed below. Notice will be deemed given on the date when one of the following first occur: (1) the date of actual receipt; (2) the next business day when notice is sent express delivery service or personal delivery; or (3) three days after mailing first class or certified U.S. mail.
- 31.1 If Notice is sent to the COUNTY, it shall be addressed and sent to: Oakland County Waste Resource Management, 2100 Pontiac Lake Road, Bldg. 41W, Waterford, MI 48328-0409 and Chairperson of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners, 1200 North Telegraph, Pontiac, Michigan 48341.
- 31.2 If Notice is sent to the MUNICIPALITY, it shall be addressed to:
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- 31.3 Either Party may change the address and/or individual to which Notice is sent by notifying the other Party in writing of the change.
32. **GOVERNING LAW/CONSENT TO JURISDICTION AND VENUE** This AGREEMENT shall be governed, interpreted, and enforced by the laws of the State of Michigan. Except as otherwise required by law or court rule, any action brought to enforce, interpret, or decide any CLAIM arising under or related to this AGREEMENT shall be brought in the 6th Judicial Circuit Court of the State of Michigan, the 50th District Court of the State of Michigan, or the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division, as dictated by the applicable jurisdiction of the court. Except as otherwise required by law or court rule, venue is proper in the courts set forth above.
33. **AGREEMENT APPROVAL AND AMENDMENT**
- 33.1 This AGREEMENT shall not become effective prior to the approval by concurrent resolutions of the County Board of Commissioners and the governing Legislative Body of the MUNICIPALITY. The approval and

terms of this AGREEMENT shall be entered in the official minutes and proceedings of the County Board of Commissioners and governing Legislative Body of the MUNICIPALITY and shall also be filed with the office of the Clerk for the County and the MUNICIPALITY. In addition, this AGREEMENT, and any subsequent amendments, shall be filed with the Secretary of State for the State of Michigan by the COUNTY and shall not become effective or implemented prior to its filing with the Secretary of State.

33.2 Except as expressly provided herein, this AGREEMENT may be amended only by concurrent written resolutions of the County Board of Commissioners and the governing Legislative Body of the MUNICIPALITY. This AGREEMENT shall not be changed, supplemented, or amended except as provided for herein, and no other act, verbal representation, document, usage, or custom shall be deemed to amend or modify this AGREEMENT.

34. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT** This AGREEMENT constitutes the complete and entire AGREEMENT between the COUNTY and MUNICIPALITY and fully supersedes any and all prior AGREEMENTS or contemporaneous representations or understandings, verbal or oral, between them concerning and in any way related to the subject matter of this AGREEMENT. It is further agreed that the terms and conditions herein are contractual and are not a mere recital and that there are no other AGREEMENTS, understandings, contracts, or representations between the MUNICIPALITY and the COUNTY in any way related to the subject matter hereof, except as expressly stated herein.

35. **CONCLUSION:** For and in consideration of the mutual promises, acknowledgements and representations set forth in this AGREEMENT, and for other good and valuable consideration, the adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, the COUNTY and MUNICIPALITY hereby agree to be bound by the above terms and provisions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, _____ hereby acknowledges that he has been authorized by a resolution of the _____, a certified copy of which is attached, to execute this AGREEMENT on behalf of the MUNICIPALITY and hereby accepts and binds the MUNICIPALITY to the terms and conditions of this AGREEMENT.

EXECUTED: _____ DATE: _____

WITNESSED: _____ DATE: _____

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Chairperson of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners, hereby acknowledges that he has been authorized by a resolution of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners, a certified copy of which is attached, to execute this AGREEMENT on behalf of the County of OAKLAND and hereby accepts and binds the COUNTY to the terms and conditions of this AGREEMENT.

EXECUTED: _____ DATE: _____
Chairperson
Oakland County Board of Commissioners

WITNESSED: _____ DATE: _____
Clerk, Register of Deeds
County of Oakland