AMENDED AND RESTATED EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

CITY OF GARDEN GROVE, GARDEN GROVE SANITARY DISTRICT
AND

REPUBLIC WASTE SERVICES OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, LLC
DBA, GARDEN GROVE DISPOSAL

FOR

RECYCLING, ORGANIC MATERIALS, AND SOLID WASTE COLLECTION

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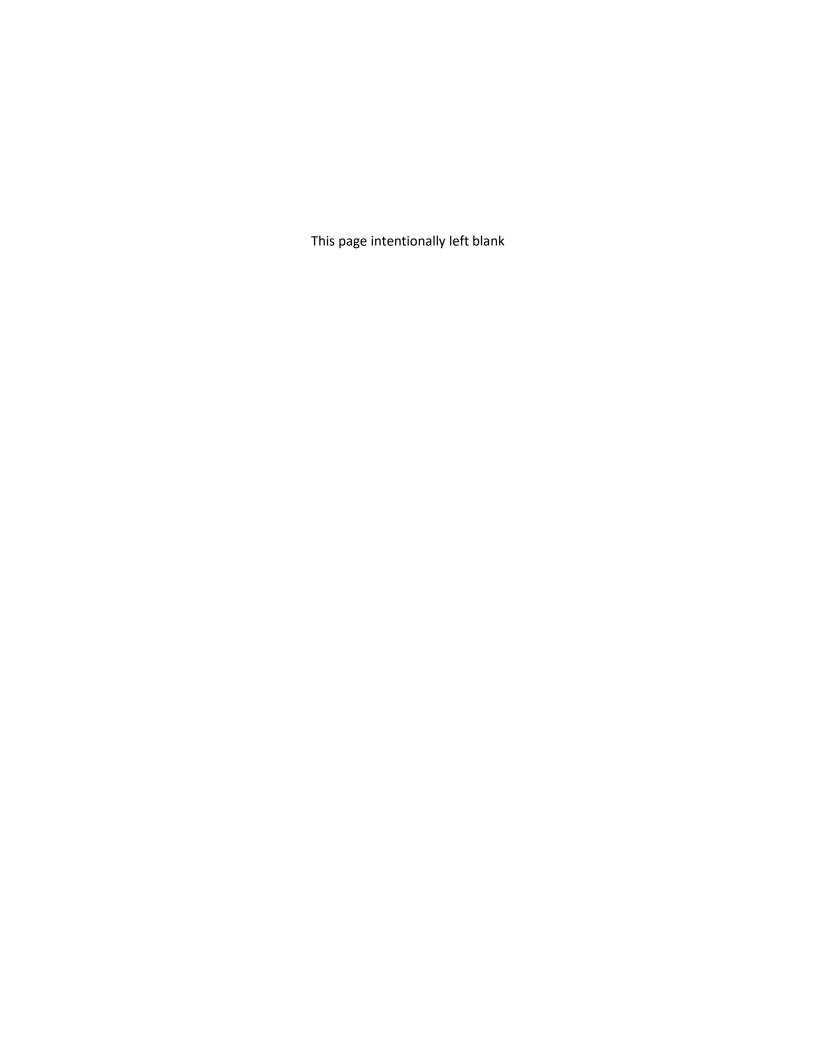


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Amended and Restated Exclusive Franchise Agreement between City of Garden Grove, Garden Grove Sanitary District And Republic Waste Services of Southern California, LLC dba, Garden Grove Disposal

THIS AMENDED AND RESTATED EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT (hereinafter "Agreement") is made and entered into as of June 28, 2022, by and among the CITY OF GARDEN GROVE, a municipal corporation, the GARDEN GROVE SANITARY DISTRICT, a subsidiary special district formed and existing pursuant to the Sanitary District Act of 1923, California Health and Safety Code Section 6400 et seq., and REPUBLIC WASTE SERVICES OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, LLC ("Contractor"), a Delaware Limited Liability Company dba GARDEN GROVE DISPOSAL. The City and District are hereby collectively referred to as "City." The City, District, and Contractor are hereby collectively referred to as the "Parties."

15 RECITALS

- A. The Legislature of the State of California, by enactment of the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 ("AB 939"), has declared that it is in the public interest to authorize and require local agencies to make adequate provision for Solid Waste Collection within their jurisdictions.
- B. The State of California has found and declared that the amount of refuse generated in California, coupled with diminishing Disposal capacity, potential adverse environmental impacts from landfilling, and the need to conserve natural resources, have created an urgent need for State and local agencies to enact and implement an aggressive integrated waste management program. The State has, through enactment of AB 939 and subsequent related legislation including, but not limited to: the Jobs and Recycling Act of 2011 (AB 341), the Event and Venue Recycling Act of 2004 (AB 2176), SB 1016 (Chapter 343, Statutes of 2008 [Wiggins, SB 1016]), the Mandatory Commercial Organics Recycling Act of 2014 (AB 1826), and the Short-Lived Climate Pollutants Bill of 2016 (SB 1383), directed the responsible State agency, and all local agencies, to promote Diversion and to maximize the use of feasible waste reduction, re-use, Recycling, and Composting options in order to reduce the amount of refuse that must be Disposed.
- C. SB 1383 establishes regulatory requirements for jurisdictions, Generators, haulers, Solid Waste facilities, and other entities to support achievement of State-wide Organic Waste Disposal reduction targets.
- D. SB 1383 requires the City to implement Collection programs, meet Processing Facility requirements, conduct contamination monitoring, provide education, maintain records, submit reports, monitor compliance, conduct enforcement, and fulfill other requirements; and, the City has contracted with Contractor to delegate some of its responsibilities to the Contractor, acting as the City's designee, through this Agreement.
- E. For purposes of this Agreement and the convenience of all Persons, the term "City" shall mean either or both the City of Garden Grove and/or the Garden Grove Sanitary District. District, being a subsidiary district as defined in Government Code Section 56078, is governed by City's City Council as

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the ex officio Board of Directors of District. The terms "City" and "City Council" when used herein singularly shall refer to the powers, rights, duties, or actions of both City and District, unless the content indicates otherwise. When both agencies are listed (e.g., City and/or District), there is no legal distinction intended from the use of the term "City" alone. They are so phrased solely for emphasis.

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- F. Pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 40059(a)(1), the City Council of the City has determined that the public health, safety, and welfare require that an exclusive franchise agreement be awarded to a qualified Solid Waste enterprise for the Collection of Solid Waste, Recyclable Materials, and Organic Materials within the City and District Limits.
- G. District has contracted with Garden Grove Disposal under an exclusive franchise for Solid Waste Collection services since 1989. Over the years, the franchise agreement has been amended to include new Recycling programs intended to comply with new State mandates. On May 25, 2010, City and District, acting as a subsidiary district of City, approved a new franchise agreement for the provision of Solid Waste handling services with Garden Grove Disposal, a Division of Republic Waste Services of Southern California, LLC effective July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2024 (the "Prior Agreement"). It is the intent of the Parties, by entering into this Agreement, to supersede the Prior Agreement, except with respect to certain continuing obligations as more specifically set forth herein.
- H. It is the intent of the Parties that Contractor, and not City or District, shall be solely responsible for establishing and collecting all reasonable charges for Collection services provided by Contractor pursuant to this Agreement.
- ١. City, District, and Contractor are mindful of the provisions of Federal and State laws governing the safe Collection, Transport, Recycling, Processing, and Disposal of Solid Waste, including the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989, commonly referred to as AB 939 (California Public Resources Code Sections 40000, et seq.), the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 also known as the Solid Waste Disposal Act (42 USCA Section 6901 et seq.) ("RCRA"), and the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (42 USC Section 9601 et seq.) ("CERCLA"). City and Contractor desire to leave no doubts as to their respective roles, and to memorialize that by entering into this Agreement, City is not thereby becoming an "arranger" or a "generator" as those terms are used in CERCLA, and that it is Contractor, not City, who is "arranging for" the Collection, Transport for Disposal, Composting, Processing, and Recycling of municipal Solid Waste in the City, which may contain Hazardous Waste as defined in Exhibit A. City and Contractor understand and agree that it is Contractor, and not City, who will arrange to Collect Solid Waste, that City has not, and, by this Agreement does not, instruct Contractor on its Collection methods, nor supervise the Collection Process, nor do the Parties intend to place title to such Solid Waste in City, but rather intend that whatever, if any, title in and to such Solid Waste that otherwise might exist in or with City in the absence of this Agreement is hereby transferred to Contractor, and further that if Contractor gains title to such Solid Waste it is by operation of law and agreement with its Customers and is not the result of this Agreement. By entering this Agreement, City and Contractor further desire to confirm that Contractor has agreed to indemnify the City in connection with any claims relating to the inadvertent or intentional Collection, Transportation, and/or Disposal of Hazardous Waste that may occur in connection with Contractor's performance under this Agreement.
- J. Contractor has agreed, as part of this Agreement, to provide such services as are necessary or desirable to ensure City complies with the requirements of AB 939, SB 1383, and other current or future Federal, State, or local regulations, as amended.

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K. City desires, among other things, to ensure adequate landfills remain available to meet the public's need for the safe handling, Processing, and Disposal of Solid Waste, and further desires to ensure its citizens do not incur undue costs in safely Disposing of Solid Waste they generate, and has thus entered into the County Agreement. Contractor has agreed, as part of this Agreement, to provide such services and take such actions as are necessary or desirable to ensure City complies with its obligations pursuant to the County Agreement.

L. The Parties acknowledge the above recitals are true and correct and incorporate them herein in the Agreement.

COVENANTS:

Based upon the foregoing Recitals and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is acknowledged by each of the Parties, City and Contractor hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1. GRANT AND ACCEPTANCE OF FRANCHISE

1.1 Grant and Acceptance of Franchise

By the signing of this Agreement, the City grants to Contractor, and Contractor accepts, this franchise within the City Limits. The franchise granted to Contractor shall be for the scope of services described in this Agreement, subject to the limitations described in Section 1.2 and except where otherwise precluded by Federal, State, and local laws and regulations.

1.2 Limitations to the Franchise

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- The award of this Agreement shall not preclude the categories of Recyclable Materials, Organic Materials, Solid Waste, or other materials listed below from being delivered to, and Collected and Transported by, other Persons, provided that nothing in this Agreement is intended to or shall be construed to excuse any Person from obtaining any authorization from the City that is otherwise required by law:
- A. Recyclable and Organic Materials. Other Persons shall maintain the right to: (1) accept Source Separated Recyclable Materials and Source Separated Organic Materials donated from the service recipient; or, (2) to pay the service recipient for Source Separated Recyclable Materials and Source Separated Organic Materials provided that there is no net payment made by the service recipient to such other Person in the form of discounted service fees or otherwise.
- B. **Self-Hauled Materials.** A Commercial Business Owner or resident may Transport Recyclable Materials and Organic Materials for Processing if those materials are generated in or on their own Premises using their own vehicles, equipment, and employees.
- 116 C. **Construction and Demolition Debris (C&D).** Construction and Demolition Debris that is removed by a duly-licensed construction or demolition company or as part of a total service offered by said licensed company or by the City, where the licensed company utilizes its own vehicles, employees, and equipment.

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D. Donated or Sold Materials. Any items that are Source Separated at any Premises by the Generator and (a) sold or (b) donated to youth, civic, or charitable organizations. Materials will not be deemed donated if they are Collected by a non-franchised waste hauler that is not a 501(c)(3) organization.

- E. **Edible Food.** Edible Food that is Collected from a Generator by other Person(s), such as a Person from a Food Recovery Organization or Food Recovery Service, for the purposes of Food Recovery; or that is Self-Hauled by the Generator to another Person(s), such as a Person from a Food Recovery Organization, for the purposes of Food Recovery, regardless of whether the Generator donates, sells, or pays a fee to the other Person(s) to Collect or receive the Edible Food.
- F. **Food Scraps.** Food Scraps that are separated by the Generator and used by the Generator or distributed to other Person(s) for lawful use as animal feed, in accordance with 14 CCR Section 18983.1(b)(7). Food Scraps intended for animal feed may be Self-Hauled by Generator or hauled by another party.
- G. **Beverage Containers**. Containers delivered for Recycling under the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act, Section 14500, et seq. California Public Resources Code.
- H. Materials Removed by Customer's Contractor as an Incidental Part of Services. Recyclable
 Materials, Organic Materials, Solid Waste, and Bulky Items removed from a Premises by a
 contractor (e.g., gardener, landscaper, tree-trimming service, construction contractor, Residential
 clean-out service) as an incidental part of a service being performed at the Premises, rather than
 as a separately contracted or Subcontracted hauling service.
- 140 I. **On-site or Community Composting.** Organic Materials Composted or otherwise legally managed at the site where they are generated (e.g., backyard Composting, or on-site anaerobic digestion) or at a Community Composting site.
- J. Animal, Grease Waste, and Used Cooking Oil. Animal waste and remains from slaughterhouse or
 butcher shops, grease, or used cooking oil.
- 145 K. **Sewage Treatment By-Product**. By-products of sewage treatment, including sludge, sludge ash, grit, and screenings.
- 147 L. **Excluded Waste**. Excluded Waste regardless of its source.
- M. Materials Generated by State and County Facilities. Materials generated by State and County facilities located in the City including, but not limited to, the Garden Grove Unified, Westminster Unified, and Orange Unified School Districts, provided that the Generator has arranged services with other Persons or has arranged services with the Contractor through a separate agreement.
- 152 Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the City may permit other Persons besides the Contractor to
 153 Collect any and all types of materials excluded from the scope of this Franchise, as set forth above,
 154 without seeking or obtaining approval of Contractor. If Contractor can produce evidence that other
 155 Persons are servicing Collection Containers or are Collecting and Transporting Recyclable Materials,
 156 Organic Materials, and/or Solid Waste in a manner that is not consistent with this Agreement or the
 157 City's Municipal Code, it shall report the location, as well as the name and phone number of the Person

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or company to the City Manager or their designee, along with Contractor's evidence. In such case, City may notify the Generator and Person providing service of Contractor's rights under this Agreement.

This Agreement and scope of this franchise shall be interpreted to be consistent with Applicable Law, now and during the Term of the Agreement. If future judicial interpretations of current law, regulations, or judicial interpretations limit the ability of the City to lawfully contract for the scope of services in the manner and consistent with the provisions of this Agreement, Contractor agrees that the scope of the Agreement will be limited to those services and materials that may be lawfully included herein and that the City shall not be responsible for any lost profits or losses claimed by Contractor to arise out of limitations to the scope or provisions of the Agreement set forth herein. In such an event, it shall be the responsibility of Contractor to minimize the financial impact of such future judicial interpretations or new laws and the Contractor may meet and confer with City and may petition for a Rate adjustment pursuant to Section 8.5.

1.3 Obligations of Parties

- 171 In addition to the specific performance required under the Agreement, City and Contractor shall:
- 172 A. Provide timely notice to one another of a perceived failure to perform any obligations under this
 173 Agreement and access to information demonstrating the Party's failure to perform.
- B. Provide timely access to the City Manager and the Contractor's designated representative and complete and timely responses to requests of the other Party.
- 176 C. Provide timely notice of matters that may affect either Party's ability to perform under the Agreement.

178 1.4 Acceptance of Agreement; Waiver of Terms

Contractor agrees to be bound by and comply with all the requirements of this Agreement. Contractor waives Contractor's right to challenge the terms of this Agreement under Federal law, State law, local law, or administrative regulation. Contractor waives any right or claim to serve the City or any part of the City under any prior grant of franchise, contract, license, or permit issued or granted by any governmental entity including any right under Section 49520 of the Public Resources Code. Additionally, by and upon the execution of this Agreement, Contractor agrees to the termination of the Prior Agreement as of the Effective Date; however, nothing contained in this provision is intended to or shall relieve Contractor from any obligation existing under the Prior Agreement pertaining to insurance, indemnification, or other legal obligations to City or Customers (as opposed to obligations to provide service pursuant to the terms thereof), or from any obligation set forth in the Prior Agreement which are called out as surviving the termination thereof, and all such obligations, including specifically those indemnification obligations relating to Excluded Waste, general liability, and AB 939 shall survive the termination of the Prior Agreement. As of the Effective Date of this Agreement, neither City nor Contractor is aware of any claim for breach or default of the terms of the Prior Agreement either may have.

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ARTICLE 2. TERM OF AGREEMENT

2.1 Term and Option to Extend

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- A. **Term of Agreement**. The Term of the services to be performed by Contractor under this Agreement shall be ten (10) years, commencing at midnight July 1, 2022, and expiring at midnight June 30, 2032, subject to extension as provided herein. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the unexcused failure or refusal of Contractor to perform any material term, covenant, obligation, or condition contained in this Agreement shall give rise to the right, in favor of City, for earlier termination of this Agreement for cause in accordance with the procedures elsewhere contained herein.
- B. **Mutual Option to Extend**. City and Contractor may, by mutual agreement, extend the Term of the Agreement for an additional five (5) years at the end of the initial ten (10) year term defined in Section 2.1.A. The mutual option to extend may be exercised by written amendment to this Agreement no sooner than five (5) years prior to the expiration of the initial term described in Section 2.1.A and no later than two (2) years prior to the expiration of the initial term defined in Section 2.1.A.
- 210 City Option to Extend. City, in its sole discretion, may authorize an extension ("Extension Period") C. 211 of up to thirty-six (36) months. The Extension Period shall be on a month-to-month basis. During the Extension Period, and in addition to rights of termination set forth elsewhere in this 212 213 Agreement, this Agreement may be terminated by City at any time, without cause, if City gives Contractor a ninety (90) day written notice of termination. City may, upon ninety (90) days' 214 215 advance written notice to Contractor prior to expiration of the Term of Agreement as defined in 216 Section 2.1.A, or prior to the expiration of an extended term by mutual agreement under Section 217 2.1.B, exercise the thirty-six (36) month extension option. If City provides this extension notice, 218 then the Agreement Term will automatically renew on a month-to-month basis, up to a total of 219 thirty-six (36) months, unless earlier terminated pursuant to this Agreement.

2.2 Conditions to Effectiveness of Agreement

- The obligation of City to permit this Agreement to become effective and to perform its undertakings provided for in this Agreement is subject to the satisfaction of all the conditions below, each of which may be waived, in written form only, in whole or in part by City.
- A. Accuracy of Representations. All representations and warranties made by Contractor and set forth in this Agreement shall be accurate, true, and correct on and as of the Effective Date of this Agreement.
- B. Furnishing of Insurance, Bond, Letter of Credit, and Corporate Guarantee. Contractor shall have furnished evidence of the insurance and Surety required by Sections 9.2 and 9.3 hereof, and shall comply with all ongoing requirements relating thereto, and shall provide the Corporate Guarantee required by Exhibit G hereof.
- 231 C. **Absence of Litigation.** To the best of Contractor's knowledge, after reasonable investigation, there is no action, suit, proceeding, or investigation, at law or in equity, before or by any court or

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governmental authority, commission, board, agency, or instrumentality decided, pending, or threatened against Contractor or Republic Services, Inc. wherein an unfavorable decision, ruling, or finding in any single case or in the aggregate, would:

- 236 1. Materially adversely affect the performance by Contractor of its obligations hereunder;
- 237 2. Adversely affect the validity or enforceability of this Agreement; or,
- Have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of Contractor, or any surety or entity guaranteeing Contractor's performance under this Agreement.
- D. **Permits Furnished.** Contractor has provided City with copies of all permits necessary for operation of all Approved Facilities owned or operated by Contractor, Republic Services, Inc., or any Subcontractor for use under the terms of this Agreement.
- E. **Payment of Fees and Costs.** Contractor shall have made payment to City of all fees, costs, and other payments due as of the Effective Date as more fully set forth in Section 7.4.

2.3 Delegation of Authority

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The administration of this Agreement by the City shall be under the supervision and direction of the City
Manager's office and the actions specified in this Agreement, unless otherwise stated, shall be taken by
the City Manager, or his or her designee.

ARTICLE 3. SCOPE OF AGREEMENT

3.1 Summary Scope of Services

- The Contractor or its Subcontractor(s) shall be responsible for the following:
- A. Providing a program for the separate Collection of Recyclable Materials, Organic Materials, and Solid Waste generated by and placed for Collection by Customers pursuant to the requirements of Article 4 and Exhibit B.
- B. Transporting Collected materials to the appropriate Approved Facilities or Designated Disposal Facilities pursuant to requirements of Article 4 and Exhibit B;
- 258 C. Processing Collected Recyclable Materials and Organic Materials at the appropriate Approved Facilities pursuant to the requirements of Article 4 and Exhibit B;
- D. Performing all other services required by this Agreement including, but not limited to, Customer billing, public education, Customer service, contamination monitoring, record keeping, and reporting pursuant to Articles 4 and 6 and Exhibits C (Public Education & Outreach) and F (Reporting);
- E. Furnishing all labor, supervision, vehicles, Containers, other equipment, materials, supplies, and all other items and services necessary to perform its obligations under this Agreement;

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F. Paying all expenses related to provision of services required by this Agreement including, but not limited to, taxes, regulatory fees (including City Fees and Reimbursements), and utilities;

- 268 G. Performing or providing all services necessary to fulfill its obligations in full accordance with this Agreement at all times using best industry practice for comparable operations; and,
- 270 H. Complying with all Applicable Laws.

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- 271 The enumeration and specification of particular aspects of service, labor, or equipment requirements
- shall not relieve Contractor of the duty to perform all other tasks and activities necessary to fulfill its
- 273 obligations under this Agreement, regardless of whether such requirements are enumerated elsewhere
- in the Agreement, unless excused in accordance with Section 11.7.

3.2 City's Flow Control Option/County Agreement

- A. Flow Control Option. City shall have the absolute ability to choose the location for the delivery and/or Disposal of all Solid Waste (including Recyclable Material, Organic Materials, and Construction and Demolition Debris) Collected pursuant to this Agreement (hereinafter City's "Flow Control Option"). Contractor expressly consents to City's ability to direct the location for Disposal of Solid Waste hereunder and waives any and all rights to challenge City's ability to do so including, without limitation, any rights under the Commerce Clause of the United States Constitution. As of the Effective Date, City shall be deemed to have exercised its Flow Control Option so as to require delivery of all Solid Waste Collected hereunder to the Orange County landfill system in a manner consistent with its obligations under the County Agreement (including, without limitation, its obligations related to Solid Waste that is delivered to a Processing/Transfer Facility prior to being delivered to a landfill for Disposal), and Contractor has agreed to handle all Solid Waste Collected hereunder in a manner consistent with City's exercise of its Flow Control Option as noted above. At any time during the Term of this Agreement, the City Manager may notify Contractor in writing that City no longer desires to exercise its Flow Control Option. In the event City so notifies Contractor of its desire to cease exercising its Flow Control Option, Contractor shall have the absolute discretion to utilize any Disposal Facility, Transfer station, Recycling facility, material recovery facility, landfill, or other facility of its choosing to retain, Recycle, Process, and Dispose of Solid Waste generated within the City, provided the use of such facility by Contractor enables it to meet all other requirements of this Agreement.
 - 1. **Organic Materials Flow Control Option**. Contractor will deliver Organic Materials Collected from the City's Customers to the Approved Organic Materials Processing Facilities included in Exhibit N.

The City retains the right, if so desired, under Section 3.2.A of the Agreement, Flow Control Option, to have the absolute ability to choose the location for the delivery of Organic Materials, and that the Rate paid by the ratepayer will be reduced or increased accordingly if the Transportation and Processing costs of using such facility are lower or higher than the costs of using the Approved Organic Materials Processing Facilities included in Exhibit N.

The current Customer Rates to Divert Residential Organic Materials are based on an Organic Materials Transportation and Processing cost per Ton fee of one hundred fifteen dollars and forty-nine cents (\$115.49) per Ton as documented in Exhibit O. The total cost

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of one hundred fifteen dollars and forty-nine cents (\$115.49) per Ton is an average of the Transfer, Transportation, and Processing cost per Ton originating at the Anaheim CVT Transfer Station for the Approved Organic Materials Processing Facilities to Process Residential Organic Materials included in Exhibit N.

Contractor will notify the City in connection with its regular annual Rate adjustment effective July 1 of each year if a lower cost option becomes available to Divert the Organic Materials to initiate a cost reduction to the City's Customers.

County Agreement. Contractor expressly acknowledges its awareness and understanding of the В. County Agreement that has been adopted and entered into by City. Moreover, Contractor acknowledges that it has had an opportunity to review the County Agreement (Exhibit M) and is aware of the provisions thereof that require all Solid Waste Collected in the City and District Limits to be Disposed of in the Orange County landfill system. Contractor further acknowledges that the County of Orange is an intended third-party beneficiary of Contractor's obligations relating in any way to the Disposal of Solid Waste pursuant to this Agreement and the County Agreement. Contractor hereby adopts as its obligations hereunder such provisions of the County Agreement that require action or inaction by it as City's Solid Waste franchisee. Contractor represents and warrants that it can and will perform its duties in connection with this Agreement in such a manner as to ensure that City does not breach the terms of the County Agreement as a result of Contractor's actions or inaction. In the event City advises Contractor in writing that the County Agreement has been terminated, or that it no longer wishes to exercise its Flow Control Option in a manner consistent with the County Agreement, then Contractor's obligations pursuant to this paragraph shall be terminated.

3.3 Use of Approved and Designated Facilities

The Contractor, without constraint and as a free-market business decision in accepting this Agreement, agrees to use the Approved and Designated Facilities, included in Exhibit N, for the purposes of Transferring, Processing, and/or Disposing of all Recyclable Materials, Organic Materials, and other materials Collected in the City. Use of a facility must be approved, in writing, by the City prior to use consistent with the requirements of Article 4. Such decision by Contractor in no way constitutes a restraint of trade notwithstanding any Change in Law regarding Flow Control limitations or any definition thereof.

3.4 Subcontracting

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Contractor shall not engage any Subcontractors for Collection, Transportation, or Processing of Recyclable Materials, Organic Materials, or Solid Waste services without the prior written consent of City Manager and/or City Council. As of the Effective Date of this Agreement, City has approved Contractor's use of those Subcontractors identified by Contractor. If the Contractor plans to engage affiliated or Related Party Entities in the provision of services, Contractor shall provide City Manager with thirty (30) days' written notification of its plans and provide an explanation of any potential impacts related to the quality, timeliness, or cost of providing services under this Agreement. All insurance documents must be reviewed and approved by the City's Risk Manager prior to City acceptance. Contractor shall require that all Subcontractors file insurance certificates with the City, name City as an additional insured, and comply with all material terms of this Agreement.

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3.5 **Responsibility for Materials**

349 Once Recyclable Materials, Organic Materials, and/or Solid Waste are placed in the Contractor's 350

Containers and at the Collection location, the responsibility for their proper handling shall transfer

- 351 directly from the Generator to Contractor, with the exception of Excluded Waste if the Contractor can
- 352 identify the Generator pursuant to Section 5.8.B. Once Recyclable Materials, Organic Materials, and/or
- 353 Solid Waste are deposited by Contractor at the appropriate Approved Facility, such materials shall
- 354 become the responsibility of the Owner or operator of the Approved Facility except for Excluded Waste
- 355 pursuant to Section 5.8.C.
- 356 Responsibility for Excluded Waste that has been inadvertently Collected by the Contractor shall remain
- 357 with the Contractor if it cannot identify the Generator, and Contractor shall assume all responsibility for
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3.6 **City-Directed Changes to Scope**

City may require a proposal from Contractor to establish the scope of any modification to existing services (which may include use of Approved Facilities) or additional services to be provided under this Agreement. In such case, Contractor shall present, within thirty (30) calendar days of City's request unless an alternate schedule is mutually agreed-upon, a written proposal to provide such modified or additional services. City shall review the Contractor's proposal for the change in scope of services. City and Contractor may meet and confer to negotiate Contractor's proposed revisions and costs and shall amend this Agreement, as appropriate, to reflect the mutually agreed-upon changes in scope. If the City and Contractor are unable to agree on terms and conditions, including compensation adjustments, of such services within ninety (90) calendar days from City's receipt of Contractor's proposal for such services, the City may permit other Persons to provide such services. Nothing herein shall prevent the City from soliciting cost and operating information from other Persons in order to inform the City's evaluation of Contractor's proposal.

At any time during the Term of this Agreement, the City may solicit proposals from other Persons for new services beyond those services included in Contractor's grant of exclusive franchise and the scope of services set forth in Article 4 of this Agreement. The Contractor shall be offered the opportunity to match any other Person's proposed pricing and retain the added scope of services. However, nothing in this Agreement shall prevent the City from contracting with other Persons in the event that Contractor is unable or unwilling to provide such new services at or below the cost proposed by the other Person.

ARTICLE 4. SCOPE OF SERVICES

Contractor shall perform the Recyclable Materials, Organic Materials, Solid Waste, and Bulky Item services described in this Article 4, for any Customer in the City that subscribes to Contractor's Collection services. Contractor's Collection services shall be offered to any Customer that places Containers in a public right-of-way or that provides a waiver for Contractor to access the private road(s) where Customer places its Containers.

385 This Article 4 describes the general requirements for the services to be provided. More specific 386 requirements for how each service shall be provided to each Customer Type are described in Exhibit B.

Failure to specifically require an act necessary to perform the service does not relieve Contractor of its obligation to perform such act.

4.1 Recyclable and Organic Materials

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- 390 A. **Collection.** Contractor shall provide Recyclable and Organic Materials Collection services as described in Exhibit B.
- 392 Transfer. Contractor plans to Transport Recyclable and Organic Materials to the Approved 393 Transfer Facility where the materials will be unloaded from Collection vehicles and loaded into 394 large-capacity vehicles and Transported to the Approved Processing Facilities. Contractor shall 395 keep all existing permits and approvals necessary for use of the Approved Transfer Facility in full 396 regulatory compliance. Upon request, Contractor shall provide copies of facility permits and/or notices of violations (obtained from its Transfer Facility Subcontractor if necessary) to City 397 398 Manager. If the Contractor is unable to use the Approved Transfer Facility, then the Contractor shall be responsible for making other Transportation arrangements. In such event, Contractor 399 400 shall not be compensated for any additional costs. If the Contractor plans to change its Transfer 401 method, Contractor shall obtain written approval from the City prior to making the change.
- C. **Processing.** Contractor shall Transport and deliver all Customer-generated Source Separated Recyclable Materials placed in Recyclable Material Containers to the Approved Recyclable Materials Processing Facility and Source Separated Organic Materials placed in Organic Material Containers to the Approved Organic Materials Processing Facility. All tipping fees and other costs associated with Transporting to, and Processing of, such Recyclable and Organic Materials at the Approved Processing Facilities and Disposing of the Residue as required in Section 4.1.I below shall be paid by Contractor.
- D. Capacity Guarantee. Contractor guarantees sufficient capacity at the Approved Processing Facilities to Process all Source Separated Recyclable and Organic Materials Collected by Contractor under this Agreement throughout the Term of the Agreement.
- 412 E. **Compliance with Regulatory Requirements and Applicable Law.** Contractor shall keep all existing permits and approvals necessary for use of the Approved Processing Facilities in full regulatory compliance. Upon request, Contractor shall provide copies of facility permits and/or notices of violations (obtained from its Processing Facility Subcontractor if necessary) to City Manager.
- F. Notification of Emergency Conditions. Each Approved Facility or the Designated Disposal Facility shall notify the City of any unforeseen operational restrictions that have been imposed upon the Facility by a regulatory agency or any unforeseen equipment or operational failure that would temporarily prevent the Facility from Processing the Discarded Materials Collected under this Agreement.
- 421 G. Approved Facility(ies) Unavailable/Use of Alternative Facility(ies). If Contractor is unable to use
 422 the Approved Processing Facility due to an event that meets the requirements for excusing
 423 Contractor from performance of this specific obligation as described in Section 11.7, Contractor
 424 shall use an alternative Processing Facility provided that the Contractor provides written notice to
 425 City Manager. Within forty-eight (48) hours of emergency or sudden and unforeseen closure, the
 426 Contractor shall provide a written description of the reasons the use of the Approved Processing
 427 Facility is not feasible, and the period of time Contractor proposes to use the alternative

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Processing Facility. Such a change in Processing Facility shall be temporarily permitted until such time as the City Manager is able to consider and respond to the use of the proposed alternative Processing Facility. If the use of the proposed alternative Processing Facility is anticipated to or actually does exceed thirty (30) days in a consecutive twelve (12) month period, the use of such Processing Facility shall be subject to approval by the City Manager. The City Manager may, in their sole discretion, approve, conditionally approve, temporarily approve, or disapprove of the use of the proposed alternative Processing Facility. If the City disapproves the use of the proposed alternative Processing Facility, the Parties shall meet and confer to determine an acceptable Processing Facility.

If the use of an alternative Processing Facility is for reasons within Contractor's or its Processing Facility Subcontractor's control, Contractor's Compensation shall not be adjusted for any change in Transportation and Processing costs associated with use of the alternative Processing Facility. However, if the use of an alternative Processing Facility is due to an uncontrollable circumstance or other reasons beyond Contractor's or its Subcontractor's control, then Contractor may adjust, either up or down, Contractor's Compensation for changes in Transportation and Processing costs associated with the use of the alternative Processing Facility. In the event that the change in the Processing Facility results in increased costs, City may identify and direct Contractor to an alternative Processing Facility, at the Contractor's expense, that results in less cost than the Contractor-identified alternative.

Except for the emergency conditions described in this Section 4.1, Contractor shall not change its selection of the Approved Processing Facilities without City's written approval, which may be withheld in the City's reasonable discretion. If Contractor elects to use a Processing Facility that is different than the initial Approved Processing Facilities, it shall request written approval from the City Manager sixty (60) calendar days prior to use of the site and obtain City's written approval no later than ten (10) calendar days prior to use of the site. Failure to meet the requirements of this Section 4.1 shall result in Liquidated Damage as identified in Section 11.6.

Contractor shall observe and comply with all regulations in effect at the Approved Processing Facilities and cooperate with and take direction from the operator thereof with respect to delivery of Recyclable and Organic Materials. Contractor shall actively work with the Approved Processing Facility operators throughout the Term of this Agreement to ensure that contamination of the Recyclable and Organic Materials Collected under this Agreement and delivered to the Processing Facility remains below the limits established by Applicable Law including, without limitation, SB 1383.

- H. Marketing. The Contractor shall be responsible for marketing Recyclable Materials and Organic Materials Collected in the City that are delivered for Processing at the Approved Processing Facilities. Contractor's marketing strategy shall promote the highest and best use of materials presented in the waste management hierarchy established by AB 939. Where practical, the marketing strategy should include use of local markets for Recyclable and Organic Materials.
- I. **Residue Disposal.** Residue from the Processing of Recyclable and Organic Materials Collected under this Agreement at the Approved Processing Facilities that cannot be marketed, shall be Disposed of by Contractor, or the Processing Facility Subcontractor. Residue delivered for Disposal shall not include any Excluded Waste.

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Compostable Plastics. If Compostable Plastics are accepted at the Approved Organic Materials Processing Facility, Customers may place Compostable Plastics in the Organic Materials Container for Collection, including Compostable Plastic bags used by Customers to contain Food Waste prior to placement in the Organic Materials Container for Collection. Contractor may prohibit use of Compostable Plastics in Organic Material Containers. Contractor shall Collect and Transport such materials for Processing at the Approved Organic Materials Processing Facility. At least six (6) months prior to the commencement of the Agreement, and annually thereafter, Contractor shall provide a written notification to the City authorizing that the Facility has and will continue to have the capability to Process and recover the Compostable Plastics throughout the Term of the Agreement; and the Contractor shall not revoke this authorization at any time during the Term of the Agreement. If the Contractor does not submit such notification, or if at any time during the Term of the Agreement the Approved Organic Materials Processing Facility can no longer accept and/or Process Compostable Plastics, the City may assess Liquidated Damages or deem such failure an event of default of the Contractor under Article 11. Contractor shall notify the City within seven (7) days of the Facility's inability to accept the Compostable Plastics. The notification shall, at a minimum, include: the date and a description of the reasons that the Facility is not able to Process and recover the Compostable Plastics; the period of time the Facility will not Process and recover these materials; and, the Contractor's proposed plan to find an alternative Facility or arrangement to Process the Compostable Plastics, subject to City approval. City may prohibit or restrict the use of Compostable Plastics, with a six (6) month notice to Contractor, and this shall not constitute a City-directed change in scope or Change in Law under this Agreement.

4.2 Solid Waste

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- 492 Contractor shall offer and provide Solid Waste Collection services as described in Exhibit B.
- 493 Contractor acknowledges that City is committed to Diverting materials from Disposal through the 494 implementation of source reduction, reuse, Recycling, Composting, and other programs, and that City 495 may implement new programs other than Discarded Materials Collection programs. Examples of new programs City may implement include Reuse programs, drop-off programs, Community Composting, and 496 497 other Diversion programs, with or without the involvement of the Contractor, that may impact the 498 overall quantity or composition of Solid Waste to be Collected by Contractor. Contractor shall not be 499 entitled to any compensation or other relief resulting from a decline in Solid Waste volumes or Tonnage 500 or from a change in the composition of Solid Waste.
- Contractor shall Transport all Solid Waste Collected in the City to the Designated Disposal Facility.
 Contractor shall pay all costs associated with Transportation and Disposal of Solid Waste including
 payment of any gate fees charged at the Designated Disposal Facility. Contractor shall observe and
 comply with all regulations and posted rules in effect at the Designated Disposal Facility and cooperate
 with and take direction from the operator thereof with respect to delivery of Solid Waste.

4.3 Bulky Items and Reusable Materials

Contractor shall offer Bulky Item and Reusable Materials Collection services as described in Exhibit B.
On-call Bulky Item and Reusable Materials Collection services shall be offered to Customers within a reasonable time but not longer than seven (7) days of Contractor's receipt of such a Customer request for service, pursuant to Exhibit B. Contractor shall make reasonable efforts to schedule on-call Bulky Item and Reusable Materials Collections on a day that is convenient to the Customer. Contractor shall

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- 512 Transport all Bulky Items or Reusable Materials Collected under this Agreement to the Approved
- 513 Reusable Materials Processing Facility. Contractor shall pay all costs associated with Transporting and
- Processing Bulky Items and Reusable Materials. Contractor shall observe and comply with all regulations
- in effect at the Approved Reusable Materials Processing Facility and cooperate with and take direction
- from the operator thereof with respect to delivery of Bulky Items and/or Reusable Materials.

4.4 City Sponsored Events

- 518 Contractor shall provide Recyclable Materials, Organic Materials, and Solid Waste services to City
- sponsored events, at no cost to the event or City. Special event services include all of the following
- 520 unless specifically waived in writing by City Manager.
- 521 A. **Event Collection Stations.** Contractor shall provide and set-up event Collection stations for Collection of Recyclable Materials, Organic Materials, and Solid Waste at City-sponsored events.
- 523 Each event Collection station shall include a separate Cart for each of Recyclable Materials,
- 524 Organic Materials, and Solid Waste, as appropriate. Contractor shall provide a sufficient number
- Organic indicents, and solid waste, as appropriate. Contractor shall provide a sufficient number
- of event Collection stations of sufficient capacity to meet the needs of the event as determined by Contractor in cooperation with the City and/or the event organizer. Collection stations shall utilize
- contractor in cooperation with the city and of the event organizer. Concetton stations shall utilize
- the same Carts used to provide services to Residential Customers unless alternative Containers are
- approved by the City. Contractor shall provide liners/bags for the Carts at the Collection stations
- and shall line the Carts as a part of the station set up. Collection stations shall include adequate
- signs and labeling.

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- B. Roll-Off Boxes. Upon request, Contractor shall provide Containers for the aggregation of material
- removed from event Collection stations during the course of the event. Contractor shall provide
 Containers in sufficient number of appropriate type(s) for the needs of the event as determined by
- 534 Contractor in cooperation with the City and/or the event organizer. Contractor shall service
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- Containers, as agreed-upon with the City and/or the event organizer, and deliver Collected
- materials to the appropriate Approved Facility for Processing and/or Disposal.
- 537 C. Public Education Booth. Upon request of either the City Manager or the event organizer,
- Contractor shall staff a booth or exhibit at the event for the purpose of educating the public about
- 539 the services and programs provided by Contractor under this Agreement and the benefits of
- source reduction, reuse, Recycling, and Composting.
- 541 D. Reporting. Within fourteen (14) calendar days of the end of the event, Contractor shall submit a
- report to the City Manager and event organizer. The report should include, at a minimum: the
- number of event Collection stations deployed at the event, the Tonnage of each material type
- 544 (i.e., Recyclable Materials, Organic Materials, and Solid Waste) Collected, and a description of the
- 545 public education provided at the event.
- 546 Contractor may, at its sole discretion and expense, coordinate with local youth, community, or
- 547 charitable organizations to provide some or all of the required services. Regardless of Contractor's use
- of such an organization, Contractor shall be responsible for ensuring that service is provided to the
- 549 Customer in a professional and timely manner.
- For special events that are not identified in Exhibit B4 or otherwise hosted or sponsored by the City,
- 551 Contractor shall provide the above-described special event services at the request of the event organizer

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and may negotiate the charges for such services with the event organizer based on the specific needs of the event, or provide the services at their sole expense, at no cost to the City or ratepayers.

4.5 Public Education and Outreach

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- The public education and outreach activities included in the scope of services provided by Contractor under this Agreement are described in Exhibit C.
 - Program Objectives. The City's public education and outreach strategy shall focus on improving Generator understanding of the benefits of, and opportunities for, source reduction, reuse, and landfill Disposal reduction and supporting compliance with Applicable Laws and regulations including, but not limited to, AB 939, AB 341, AB 1826, and SB 1383. Examples of goals of the Cityprovided public education and outreach program include, but are not limited to: (i) informing Generators about the services that are provided under this Agreement with specific focus on describing the methods and benefits of source reduction, reuse, Recycling, and Composting; (ii) instructing Generators on the proper method for placing materials in Containers for Collection and setting Containers out for Collection, with specific focus on minimizing contamination of Recyclable Materials and Organic Materials; (iii) clearly defining Excluded Waste and educating Generators about the hazards of such materials and their opportunities for proper handling; (iv) discouraging Generators from buying products if the product and its packaging are not readily reusable, Recyclable, or Compostable; (v) informing Generators subject to Food Recovery requirements under SB 1383 of their obligation to recover Edible Food and actions they can take to prevent the creation of Food Waste; (vi) encouraging the use of Compost and recovered Organic Waste products; and, (vii) encouraging Generators to purchase products/packaging made with Recycled content materials. The cumulative intended effect of these efforts is to reduce generation of Solid Waste and, ultimately, Disposal of Solid Waste by each Generator in the City, and Contractor agrees to support and not undermine or interfere with such efforts.
- 576 B. **Contractor Public Education Requirements.** Contractor agrees to print, produce, and distribute education materials and conduct outreach detailed in Exhibit C at no additional cost to ratepayers or City.
 - Contractor shall obtain approval from the City Manager on all Contractor-provided advertising, promotional, or service-related materials used within the City before publication, distribution, and/or release. The City Manager, in their sole discretion, shall have the right to deny the use of any materials or content or may request that Contractor include City identification and contact information on materials and Contractor's approval of such requests shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- 585 C. **Non-English Language Requirements.** The Contractor shall make all public education and outreach materials required by this Section 4.5 available in English, Spanish, Korean, and Vietnamese.
- 588 Upon City's request, Contractor shall provide materials in additional languages beyond those 589 specified in this Section 4.5 in response to: shifting demographics within the City; updates to State 590 requirements or Applicable Law; or, any other reason deemed appropriate by the City

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4.6 Billing

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Upon request by Contractor, the City Manager in the exercise of his/her reasonable discretion, may modify, on an interim basis, the procedures set forth in this Section 4.6 regarding Contractor's obligations for billing and collection for Collection services in order to assist Contractor in efficiently accomplishing such billing and collection activities. Such modification may include, but is not limited to, authorization for the collection of Customer bills for the ID-1 area on the tax rolls for a specified period of time, instead of through direct Customer billing and collection by Contractor. No authorization for modification of the procedures shall be valid unless issued in writing by the City Manager and only to the extent authorized by law. Such authorization shall automatically expire at the end of the time period specified in writing by the City Manager unless renewed in writing by the City Manager. Contractor shall develop, maintain, and regularly update a Customer Account Information Database, which shall include but is not limited to:

- Customer name;
- Phone number;
- Service address;
- Email address; and,
- Customer Service Levels, including:
- o Customer Service Levels exceptions, and,
- 619 o Customer service waivers.
- Contractor shall make access to such database available, upon no more than five (5) Working Days' request from the City Manager, in accordance with this Section 4.6 and Section 6.1. Contractor shall additionally, on an annual basis, reconcile all Customer accounts with City's GIS information. Failure to maintain database in accordance with this Section 4.6 shall result in Liquidated Damages as identified in Section 11.6.
- Contractor shall provide Customers the option to receive invoices electronically using paperless invoices, or by standard mail using standard (paper) invoices. Contractor shall permit Customers the ability to pay their bills through an electronic check or credit card and include the ability for Customer billings to be automatically charged on a recurring basis. Contractor shall prepare, mail, and collect bills from Customers who decline to use such internet-based billing system. Contractor shall make arrangements

to allow such Customers to pay bills by check, electronic check, money order, and credit card.

631 Up to once per quarter, City may direct Contractor to attach inserts to Customer invoices. Contractor

- shall provide electronic bill inserts to Customers who are billed electronically, and paper bill inserts to
- Customers who receive paper bills. Electronic bill inserts/attachments must be readily available for the
- Customer to view upon receipt of the invoice (attachments shall not be provided as links). Upon City
- 635 request for such attachments, Contractor shall comply with such request during its next billing cycle for
- the targeted Customer group. Contractor shall perform this service with no additional requirement for
- 637 compensation.
- 638 Contractor shall maintain copies of all billings and receipts, each in chronological order, for the Term of
- this Agreement, for inspection and verification by the City Manager at any reasonable time but in no
- case more than thirty (30) calendar days after receiving a request.
- 641 If Contractor fails to invoice a Customer, or otherwise undercharges a Customer for services provided
- for more than six (6) months, Contractor may not subsequently attempt to collect the undercharged
- amount for more than six months of service. If Contractor overcharges a Customer for a period of more
- than six (6) months, Contractor shall reimburse or credit the Customer for at least six months of the
- overcharged service but is not required by this Agreement to reimburse or credit the Customer for more
- than six (6) months of overcharges. This Agreement also does not prohibit Contractor from reimbursing
- or crediting a Customer for more than six (6) months of overcharges.
- If a Customer reduces or cancels service during a billing cycle, the Customer shall be entitled to a
- proration of the billing from the date that the service change was requested, in the case of cancellations
- or reductions in the Customer's bill, or the date the service change was fulfilled, in the case of increases
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A. Vacant Premises. During any time when a Premises is vacant and following receipt of written notice by Contractor from Customer that the Premises has been vacated, Collection services shall not be provided by Contractor, and Contractor shall not bill such Premises for Collection Service. The Customer at any such Premises shall be responsible to provide reasonable evidence to Contractor, pursuant to such guidelines as Contractor shall develop and City Manager shall approve, demonstrating the Premises is vacant. Any Customer grievance regarding a claim that a Premises was vacant and received no service, and hence should not be billed for a given period pursuant to this Section 4.6.A, may be appealed by the Customer to the City Manager subject to substantial evidence. City Manager's decision shall be final. It is the intent of the Parties that Contractor shall not be entitled to charge for services that are not needed or used. Notwithstanding the foregoing, it is the intent of the Parties that Premises shall not be deemed vacant for purposes of this Section 4.6.A during such period of time that such Premises are vacant due only to a temporary absence of the Owner(s) or Occupant(s), such as a period during which the Owner(s) or Occupant(s) are merely on vacation.

B. **Delinquent Accounts.**

- Any service account unpaid by the due date listed on the billing statement shall be deemed delinquent. Except to the extent otherwise provided herein, it shall be the sole responsibility of Contractor to take any authorized measures to collect any delinquent sums owed.
- 2. Any delinquent fees or service charges to be imposed in connection with delinquent accounts shall be set by Contractor and be subject to City Manager review.

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3. Contractor may discontinue service to any Customer whose account is delinquent in the manner as set forth in this Section 4.6.B. Customers who have not remitted required payments within thirty (30) days after the date of billing shall be notified on forms approved by the City Manager. Said forms shall contain a statement that services may be discontinued fifteen (15) days from the date of notice if payment is not made before that time. If payment is not made by the expiration of said fifteen (15) day period, Contractor may discontinue service forty-eight (48) hours thereafter.

- 4. Contractor shall resume Collection services on the next regularly scheduled Collection day for any Customer whose service is discontinued upon receipt of payment of delinquent fees and any related service restart charges, or at such sooner time as directed to do so by City.
- 5. A deposit equal to the maximum Rate for one (1) month's service as set forth on in the approved Rate schedule, as such Rates may be amended from time to time, may be required of accounts which have been discontinued for non-payment prior to reinstituting service at such accounts.
- 6. Contractor shall make all reasonable efforts to diligently pursue and collect all delinquent sums owed by Customers to Contractor for Collection Service provided by Contractor. Following exhaustion all such reasonable efforts by Contractor, Contractor may request City's assistance in collecting any remaining delinquent sums owed, and City shall endeavor, in good faith, to assist Contractor with its collection efforts. City's obligation to assist Contractor hereunder shall include, to the extent authorized by law, the imposition of a lien on the property receiving Collection Service and collection of such delinquent amounts on the tax rolls in accordance with Applicable Law. Notwithstanding the foregoing, City shall have no liability to Contractor for failure to collect any such delinquent sums from Customers on behalf of Contractor. Contractor shall reimburse City for any and all costs incurred by City in assisting Contractor in the collection of delinquent sums owed.

C. Collection and Processing of Payments.

- 1. Accounting and Deposit of Funds. All payments received by Contractor shall be appropriately credited to Customer accounts, deposited in a bank account, and accounted for in a businesslike manner utilizing generally accepted accounting principles. To facilitate audits and record keeping, Contractor shall make all withdrawals from its bank accounts by check, ACH debit/credit, or wire, regardless of whether the withdrawal is to provide funds to City, Contractor, or any permissible Subcontractor, vendor, or supplier of Contractor.
- 2. Allocation of Funds. With respect to payments received from each Customer, unless a Customer specifically directs a different allocation, funds shall be allocated first to outstanding charges for Collection services, then to any related delinquency fees or other administrative charges, up to the amount of any outstanding balance. Any overpayment shall be credited to future bills in the same sequence or returned to Customers, as appropriate.

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4.7 Customer Service Program

715 A. Program Requirements.

1. **Customer Service Office**. Contractor maintains an office located at 1131 North Blue Gum Street, Anaheim. No change in this location shall occur without City's approval if such change would result in Contractor not having an office within 25 miles of City's City Hall. Said office shall be open, at a minimum, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Saturday, Holidays excepted. At least one (1) responsible and qualified representative of Contractor, capable of communicating in English, Spanish, Korean, and Vietnamese, shall be present and available during all times that an office is required to be open as noted above ("Office Hours"), for personal communication with the public, and a similarly qualified Person shall be available for communication with the public by phone during any times other than Office Hours when Collection is occurring.

2. Telephone Customer Service Requirements.

- a. Contractor shall maintain a toll-free telephone number that rings at an office within North Orange County at all times during Office Hours. English and Spanish speaking personnel will be available during Office Hours to assist Customers with telephonic inquiries. Contractor shall also have the ability (through the use of outside resources or otherwise, including having access to translation services for telephone inquiries made during Office Hours) to communicate with Customers who speak Spanish, Korean, Vietnamese, or another foreign language to ensure their inquiries, questions, Complaints, and other matters are dealt with in a reasonably timely fashion. All such personnel shall be polite and responsive, and shall be sufficiently knowledgeable, and have the authority to respond and/or advise Customers seeking assistance. Contractor's telephone system shall be adequate to handle the volume of calls typically experienced on the busiest days. Contractor shall provide City with a 24-hour emergency number to a live Person, not voicemail.
- b. Contractor shall make reasonable attempts to answer all phone calls within five (5) rings. If a call has been placed on hold for three (3) minutes, the caller will either be switched to a message center that shall be responsible to obtain the caller's address and phone number, or a Customer service representative will obtain the Customer's address and a number at which the call can be returned. Contractor shall make at least three (3) attempts within the next twenty-four (24) hour period to return the call, with the first such attempt not more than one (1) hour after the caller leaves the message. If Contractor is unsuccessful in contacting the Customer after following this procedure, it shall send a letter to the caller indicating its efforts.
- c. Contractor shall record Customer Complaints regarding Customer service personnel in accordance with Section 4.7.A.3. Customer service representatives receiving multiple Complaints are to be transferred from Customer service duties relating to services performed under this Agreement.
- d. Contractor will maintain an emergency telephone number for use outside normal office hours. Contractor shall have a representative, or an answering service to contact such representative, available at said emergency telephone number during all hours other than normal office hours. Contractor shall be able to respond to

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inquiries in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, and other languages as directed by the City. Contractor must also provide a Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) service for use by Persons with hearing or speech difficulties.

3. **Complaint Documentation**. Daily logs of Complaints shall be retained for a minimum of twenty-four (24) months and shall be available to City at all times upon request.

Contractor shall log all Complaints received by telephone, and or email, and said log shall include the date and time the Complaint was received, name, address and telephone number of callers, description of Complaint, employee recording Complaint and the action taken by Contractor to respond to and remedy Complaint. Missed pickups shall be included in this log.

All Customer Complaints and inquiries shall be date-stamped when received and shall be initially responded to within one (1) Business Day (excluding Saturday, Sunday and Holidays as defined in Exhibit A) of receipt. Contractor shall log action taken by Contractor to respond to and remedy the Complaint.

All Customer service records and logs kept by Contractor shall be available to City upon request and at no cost to City. City shall, at any time during regular Contractor business hours, have access to Contractor's City Liaison for purposes that may include monitoring the quality of Customer service or researching Customer Complaints.

4. **Resolution of Customer Complaints**. Disputes between Contractor and its Customers regarding the services provided in accordance with this Agreement may be resolved by the City, except for Customers claims for personal injury or damages to property. The City's decision shall be final and binding. Contractor shall reimburse the City's legal and consultant costs for each City intervention in a dispute between Contractor and a Customer if the City reasonably deems intervention is required and the Customer's dispute is valid.

Should Contractor and Customers not be able to establish a mutually acceptable fee to be charged for special hauling services, the matter shall also be determined by the City, and the City's decision shall be final.

Intervention by the City is not a condition precedent to any rights or remedies Customers or third parties might otherwise have in any dispute with Contractor. Nothing in this Section 4.7.A is intended to affect the remedies of third parties against Contractor or to Customer claims for personal injury or property damage. To the extent that remedies are warranted through this Agreement, this Section shall apply.

5. **Website and Email Access.** Contractor shall develop and maintain a website that is accessible by the public and solely dedicated to the operations under this Agreement in the City. Contractor's website shall include all Rates allowed to be charged under the Agreement, all public education and outreach materials produced and distributed under this Agreement and provide the public the ability to e-mail Contractor questions, service requests, or Complaints. Contractor shall respond the same day to all Customers who leave e-mail messages by 5:00 p.m. on a Working Day and shall respond by noon of the following Working Day for any e-mail messages left after 5:00 p.m. Contractor may respond to Customer e-mails via e-mail or phone.

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800 B. Missed Collections.

1. **Missed Collection Complaints.** When handling Customer Complaints related to missed or incomplete Collections, Contractor shall not question or contest the Customer's claim that the Collection was missed or incomplete, even in cases where the route driver recorded the Container(s) in question as already "Collected" or "not out."

2. **Schedule for Resolution.** Contractor shall resolve every Customer Complaint of a missed or incomplete Collection by returning to the Customer address and completing the Collection. For all Complaints related to missed Collections that are received by 12:00 p.m. on a Working Day, the Contractor shall return to the Customer address and Collect the missed materials on the same Working Day on which the missed Collection was reported. For those Complaints related to missed Collections that are received after 12:00 p.m. on a Working Day, the Contractor shall have until the end of the following Working Day to resolve the Complaint. Contractor's failure to comply with this Section 4.7.B may result in Liquidated Damages, in accordance with Section 11.6.

Contractor shall not be required to return and complete a Collection in response to a Complaint if the Contractor's driver has left a Non-Collection Notice in accordance with Section 4.10.A.4.

- 3. Courtesy Collections for Admitted Late Set-Outs. In the event that a Customer: (i) reports that their Container(s) were placed for Collection after Contractor's Collection vehicle had already passed the Premises for regularly scheduled Collection; (ii) does not claim that Contractor missed the Collection; and, (iii) requests that the Contractor return and Collect their Containers, Contractor shall return to the Customer Premises and provide a courtesy Collection at no charge to the Customer. Contractor is not required to provide more than three (3) courtesy Collections for admitted late set-outs per Customer per calendar year. For Residential Customers, one (1) courtesy Collection represents Collection of up to three (3) Carts (Recyclable Materials, Organic Materials, Solid Waste) per incident. Contractor shall complete the courtesy Collection by the end of the following Working Day. The provisions of this Section 4.7.B shall only apply if the Customer acknowledges, and Contractor documents in writing, that the event did not constitute a missed or incomplete Collection event by the Contractor.
- C. **SB 1383 Non-Compliance Complaints**. For Complaints received in which the Person alleges that an entity is in violation of SB 1383 requirements, Contractor shall document the information listed in Exhibit F. Contractor shall provide this information in a brief Complaint report to the City for each SB 1383-noncompliance Complaint within seven (7) days of receipt of such Complaint, and a monthly summary report of SB 1383-non-compliance Complaints in accordance with Exhibit F.
- Upon City request, Contractor shall conduct follow-up inspections and/or outreach to the violating entity, and shall document the information in the reports provided pursuant to Exhibit F.

4.8 Access to Customer Service and Billing Systems

Upon request of City, Contractor shall provide access and any necessary training to one (1) or more City employee(s) (as designated by the City) regarding the use of Contractor information systems as described in this Section 4.8. Contractor shall designate one (1) member of Contractor staff to work directly with such City employee. Contractor shall provide such City employee with access to Customer

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service, call center, and operations information systems in order to validate Contractor performance standards and recommend changes to Customer Service Levels to resolve service issues or otherwise address Customer needs. If recommended Service Level changes are made, the designated City staff will work with Contractor's route manager to make such changes, which shall not be denied by Contractor except for reasons related to Customer, route driver, and/or equipment safety. Contractor shall also provide access to Customer contact information (including email addresses) for purposes of City-provided public education and outreach activities. In addition, Contractor shall ensure that the City Manager and any other City staff, as requested by the City, have read-only access to all service order, billing, and Customer service records in Contractor's internal information systems. Such read-only access is intended to provide the City the ability to review notes related to Customer service and/or billing issues.

4.9 Service Exemptions

A. **General Exemptions**. Upon Customer request, and with written approval from the City Manager, Contractor shall cease providing, and collecting payment for, Collection services to a Premises which is anticipated to be vacant for no less than thirty (30) days based on verified information from Customer. In addition, upon written direction from the City Manager, Contractor shall modify or otherwise cease providing Collection services to Customers requesting other service exemptions, provided that such Customers consistently demonstrate the ability to responsibly manage Discarded Materials generated at the Premises in question, in a manner consistent with Applicable Law.

B. Commercial and Multi-Family Customer Waivers.

 General. The City may grant waivers described in this Section 4.9.B to Commercial or Multi-Family Generators that impact the scope of Contractor's provision of service for those Customers; provided, the Generator shall continue to subscribe with Contractor for franchised Collection services to the extent such services are not waived by the City. Waivers issued shall be subject to compliance with SB 1383 requirements, pursuant to 14 CCR Section 18984.11, or other requirements specified by the City.

2. Types of Generator Waivers

- a. <u>De Minimis Waivers.</u> The City may waive a Commercial Business' or Multi-Family property's obligation to comply with some or all of the Recyclable Materials and Organic Materials requirements set forth in this Agreement, SB 1383, and of the Municipal Code and District's Code of Regulations if the Generator provides documentation or the City has evidence demonstrating one (1) of the following de minimis conditions:
 - i. The Commercial or Multi-Family Generator's total Discarded Materials Collection service is two (2) cubic yards or more per week, and Organic Waste subject to Collection in a Recyclable Materials Container or Organic Materials Container comprises less than twenty (20) gallons per week, per applicable Container, of the Commercial Business' total waste; or,
 - ii. The Commercial or Multi-Family Generator's total Discarded Materials Collection service is less than two (2) cubic yards per week, and Organic Waste subject to Collection in a Recyclable Materials Container or Organic Materials

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Container comprises less than ten (10) gallons per week, per applicable Container, of the Commercial Business' total waste.

- b. Physical Space Waivers. The City may waive a Commercial or Multi-Family Generator's obligation to comply with some or all of the Recyclable Materials and Organic Materials requirements set forth in this Agreement, SB 1383, and the Municipal Code and District's Code of Regulations if the Commercial or Multi-Family Generator provides documentation, or the City has evidence from its staff, the Contractor, licensed architect, engineer, or similarly qualified source demonstrating that the Premises lacks adequate space for Recyclable Materials Containers and/or Organic Materials Containers.
- 3. **Contractor Review of Waiver Requests.** Generators may submit requests for de minimis waivers and physical space waivers to the City or Contractor. The City shall notify Contractor of the request, and Contractor shall within seven (7) days of receipt of the City's request, inspect the Generator's Premises to verify the accuracy of the application. Contractor shall provide documentation of the inspection, including the date of the inspection, Customer name and address, a description of the Premises, evaluation of each criterion of the relevant waiver type, and photographic evidence. The Contractor shall send this information and documentation to the City in a timely manner, not to exceed three (3) days after the date of inspection. The City ultimately retains the right to approve or deny any application, regardless of the information provided by the Contractor. Contractor shall report information regarding waivers reviewed within the month, if any, in accordance with this Section and Section 11.6.
- 4. **Service Level Updates**. When the City grants a waiver to a Customer, or the Customer's waiver status changes after a re-verification determination, the City shall notify the Contractor within seven (7) days of the waiver approval or status change with information on the Customer and any changes to Service Level or Collection service requirements for the Customer. Contractor shall have seven (7) days to modify the Customer's Service Level, Customer account data, and billing statement, as needed.
- 5. **Waiver Re-verification.** The City shall be responsible for re-verification of waivers. Upon request of the City, the Contractor shall support the City in this re-verification process by providing requested Customer information as per Customer database requirements in Section 4.6. In the event that a waiver status changes, Contractor shall update the Customer's information and Service Level in accordance with Subsection 4.9.B.4 above.

C. Contractor Service Exemptions.

- 1. **Disaster Waivers.** In the event of a disaster, the City may grant Contractor a waiver of some or all Discarded Materials Collection requirements under this Agreement and 14 CCR, Division 7, Chapter 12, Article 3 in the disaster-affected areas for the duration of the waiver, provided that such waiver has been approved by CalRecycle. Any resulting changes in Collection requirements shall be addressed as a change in scope in accordance with Section 3.6.
- Quarantined Waste. If approved by the City, the Contractor may Dispose of, rather than Process, specific types of Organic Materials and/or Recyclable Materials that are subject to quarantine and meet the requirements described in 14 CCR Section 18984.13(d) for a period of time specified by the City or until the City provides notice that the quarantine

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has been removed and directs Contractor to Transport the materials to the Approved Facilities for such material.

In accordance with Exhibit F, the Contractor shall maintain records and submit reports regarding compliance agreements for quarantined Organic Materials and Recyclable Materials that are Disposed of pursuant to this Subsection 4.9.C.

4.10 Contamination Monitoring

A. Annual Route Reviews.

1. **Methodology.** The Contractor shall, at its sole expense, conduct route reviews of Containers for Prohibited Container Contaminants in a manner that meets the requirements of this Section 4.10; is approved by the City; and results in all routes being reviewed at least annually.

The Contractor's route review shall include all Container types in service (Recyclable Materials, Organic Materials, and Solid Waste Containers) for all Customer Types. The Containers shall be selected prior to beginning the route review.

Contractor shall ensure that a minimum of one percent (1%) of accounts or twenty-five (25) accounts, whichever is larger, on each and every hauler route are inspected annually.

Contractor shall develop a specific route review methodology to accomplish the above Container inspection requirements and such methodology shall comply with the requirements of 14 CCR Section 18984.5(b). Contractor shall submit its proposed route review methodology for the coming year to the City no later than January 15 of each year describing its proposed methodology for the calendar year and schedule for performance of each route's annual review. Contractor's proposed route review methodology shall include not only its plan for Container inspections but shall also include its plan for prioritizing the inspection of Customers that are more likely to be out of compliance. The City and/or CalRecycle will review and approve the proposed methodology. Contractor may commence with the proposed methodology upon approval.

If the City and/or CalRecycle notifies the Contractor that the methodology is inadequate to meet the requirements of 14 CCR Section 18984.5(b), Contractor shall, at its sole expense, revise the methodology and, after obtaining City or CalRecycle approval, conduct additional route reviews, increased Container inspections, or implement other changes using the revised procedure. If the Contractor's proposed methodology meets the requirements of 14 CCR Section 18984.5(b), but has been deemed inadequate by the City, the Contractor shall, at the expense of the City, revise the methodology and implement the necessary changes using the revised procedure.

The City Manager may request, and Contractor shall accept, modifications to the schedule to permit observation of the route reviews by the City. In addition, Contractor shall provide an email notice to the City Manager no less than ten (10) Working Days prior to each scheduled Route review that includes the specific time(s), which shall be within the City's normal business hours, and location(s).

2. **Contamination Notification.** Upon identification of Prohibited Container Contaminants in a Customer's Container, Contractor shall provide the Customer with a notice of

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contamination in the form of either a Courtesy Pick-Up Notice or a Non-Collection Notice as determined by the route auditor.

3. **Courtesy Pick-Up Notice.** Upon identification of Prohibited Container Contaminants in a Customer's Container, Contractor shall provide the Customer a Courtesy Pick-Up Notice at the Customers door or gate; or, subject to City's approval, may deliver the notice by mail, e-mail, or phone. Contractor shall also attach or adhere Courtesy Pick-Up Notice to Generators contaminated Containers.

The Courtesy Pick-Up Notice shall, at a minimum:

- a. Inform the Customer of the observed presence of Prohibited Container Contaminants:
- b. Include the date and time the Prohibited Container Contaminants were observed;
- Include information on the Customer's requirement to properly separate materials into the appropriate Containers, and the accepted and prohibited materials for Collection in each Container;
- Inform the Customer of the courtesy pick-up of the contaminated materials on this
 occasion with information that following three (3) instances for Residential and one
 (1) instance for Commercial of contaminated materials; Contractor may assess
 contamination fees; and,
- e. Include photographic evidence.

The format of the Courtesy Pick-Up Notice shall be approved by the City Manager and must be a distinct color from the Non-Collection Notices.

Contractor shall Collect the contaminated Recyclable Materials and/or Organic Materials Containers and either Transport the material to the appropriate Approved Facility for Processing or Contractor may Collect the contaminated materials with Solid Waste and Transport the contaminated materials to the Designated Disposal Facility. A courtesy Collection of contaminated Recyclable Materials or Organic Materials where the materials are sent to the Designated Disposal Facility may be made with a Solid Waste Collection vehicle, provided that the contaminants may safely and lawfully be Collected as Solid Waste.

4. Non-Collection Notices.

a. <u>Non-Collection Notice.</u> Upon identification of Prohibited Container Contaminants in a Container in excess of standards agreed upon by the Parties or that contain Excluded Waste, Contractor shall provide a Non-Collection Notice to the Generator.

The Non-Collection Notice shall, at a minimum:

- i. Inform the Customer of the reason(s) for non-Collection;
- ii. Include the date and time the notice was left or issued;
- iii. Describe the premium charge to Customer for Contractor to return and Collect the Container after Customer removes the Prohibited Container Contaminants;
- iv. Provide a warning statement that a contamination Processing fee may be assessed; and,

v. Include photographic evidence of the violation(s).

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b. <u>Communications with Customer</u>. Whenever a Container at the Premises of a Commercial or a Multi-Family Customer is not Collected, Contractor shall contact the Customer on the scheduled Collection day or within two (2) hours of the scheduled Collection day by telephone, email, text message, or other verbal or electronic message to explain why the Container was not Collected. Whenever a Container is not Collected because of Prohibited Container Contaminants, a Customer service representative shall contact the Customer to discuss and encourage the Customer to adopt proper Discarded Materials preparation and separation procedures.

- c. <u>Contractor Return for Collection</u>. Upon request from Customer, Contractor shall Collect Containers that received Non-Collection Notices within one (1) Working Day of Customer's request if the request is made at least two (2) Working Days prior to the regularly scheduled Collection Day. Contractor shall bill Customer for the extra Collection service event ("extra pick-up") at the applicable Rates only if Contractor notifies Customer of the premium Rate for this service at the time the request is made by Customer.
- 5. Assessment of Contamination Processing Fees. If the Contractor observes ten percent (10%) or more Prohibited Container Contaminants on more than three (3) occasions for Residential and one (1) occasion for Commercial and issued Courtesy Pick-Up Notices on each of those occasions, the Contractor may impose a contamination fee for that Customer's Service Level. The intent of contamination fees is to provide a behavioral tool to educate and prevent Customers from placing Source Separated Discarded Materials into the improper designated Container(s), as well as to cover the increased costs to Dispose of the contaminated loads. To ensure that the assessment of fees is to be used for the intended purposes and not as a form of revenue generation, Contractor agrees that contamination fees shall not exceed one percent (1%) of Contractor's Gross Receipts in any calendar quarter. In the event that contamination fees exceed one percent (1%) of Contractor's Gross Receipts in any calendar quarter, the assessment of contamination fees shall be suspended immediately and indefinitely pending a program assessment by the City and Contractor. Upon program suspension or at the request of the City at any time during the Term of the Agreement, City and Contractor shall meet and confer regarding the application and effectiveness of contamination fees in accomplishing the behavior change. If the program is suspended due to excessive revenue generation, the City may require Contractor to either: i) modify the program parameters; ii) modify the amount of the contamination fee; or, iii) return to the City any funds generated by the Contamination fee that exceed one percent (1%) of Contractor's Gross Receipts for a given period of time to be used for Recycling education and/or enforcement programming.

Failure to comply with the requirements of this Section 4.10.A shall equate to Liquated Damages in accordance with Section 11.6.

Contractor shall leave a Contamination Processing Fee Notice attached to the Generators' contaminated Container(s). Contractor must also deliver notice by mail to the bill payer's address within twenty-four (24) hours of assessing the contamination fee.

a. <u>Contamination Processing Fee Notice.</u> Contamination Processing Fee Notices shall be in a format approved by the City Manager. Contractor shall notify the City in its

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monthly report of Customers for which contamination Processing fees were assessed per Section 4.10.A.6.

Each Contamination Processing Fee Notice shall, at a minimum:

- Describe the specific material(s) of issue;
- ii. Explain how to correct future set outs; and,
- iii. Indicate that the Customer will be charged a contamination Processing fee on their next bill.

6. **Reporting Requirements**.

- a. <u>Container Contaminant Log</u>. The driver or other Contractor representative shall record each event of identification of Prohibited Container Contaminants in a written log or in the on-board computer system including, but not limited to: date, time, Customer's address, type of Container, and photographic evidence. Photographic evidence by the driver or other Contractor representative will be forwarded to City staff at the time it is provided to a Customer via digital means.
- b. <u>Contaminant Fees Assessment Report</u>. Additionally, on no less than a weekly basis, Contractor's Contract Administrator shall update the Customer's account records to note the contaminant event(s) as identified by driver(s). Contractor shall maintain records and report to the City monthly on contamination monitoring activities and actions taken, consistent with the submittal timing and content requirements of Exhibit F. Failure to meet the requirements of this Section 4.10.A.6.b, shall be subject to Liquidated Damages as identified in Section 11.6.
- c. Monthly Report. The monthly report shall include, but is not limited to: list of Customers that were assessed charges; photographic evidence of each contamination event(s) where a fee(s) was assessed if requested by Customer or City for identified occurrences; verification processes to assure accurate fee assessment; date of notification, form(s) of notification given to Customer; list of efforts made in educating the Customer that was assessed a fee; list of Customer Complaints in response to fee assessment; Contractor's response and actions taken in response to Customer Complaints; and, the dollar amount of contamination fees assessed during the reporting period. Failure to meet the requirements of this Section 4.10.A.6.c, shall be subject to Liquidated Damages as identified in Section 11.6.

4.11 Route Audit

Once during the first year and thereafter at City's request (but not more than once every four (4) years), Contractor shall conduct an audit of its Collection routes in the City. City may use information from the audit to develop a request for proposals for a new service provider. City may instruct Contractor when to conduct the audit in order for the results to be available for use in preparation of a request for proposals or for other City uses. City may also instruct Contractor to conduct an audit at a time that would produce the most accurate Customer service information for a new service provider to use in establishing service with Customers. In setting these audit dates, City will establish due dates for Contractor providing routing and account information, and later, the report, to City.

The route audit, at minimum, shall consist of an independent physical observation by Person(s) other than the route driver of each Customer in City. This Person(s) is to be approved in advance by City. The

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1096 route audit information shall include, as a minimum, the following information for each account: 1097 For Cart Customers: 1098 Route Number 1099 Truck Number 1100 Number and size of Carts by waste stream (Refuse, Recyclable Materials, and Organic Waste) 1101 Cart condition 1102 For Bin and Roll-Off Customers: 1103 Route Number 1104 Truck Number 1105 Account Name 1106 Account Number Account Service Address 1107 1108 • Account Type (Residential, Commercial, Roll-Off Box) 1109 Service Level per Contractor Billing system (Quantity, Size, Frequency, Waste Stream) 1110 Observed Containers (Quantity, Size, Frequency, Waste Stream) 1111 Container condition 1112 Proper signage 1113 Graffiti 1114 Within thirty (30) days after the completion of the route audit, Contractor shall submit to City a report summarizing the results of the audit. This summary shall include: 1115 1116 • Identification of the routes 1117 Route map Truck numbers 1118 1119 Number of accounts, by route and in total (Residential, Commercial and Roll-Off Box) • Confirmation that all routes are dedicated exclusively to City Customers 1120 1121 Number and type of exceptions observed 1122 Name and addresses of Customers that do not have Source Separated Recyclable Materials 1123 Collection services and documentation of waivers if any for each account 1124 Name and addresses of Customers that do not have Source Separated Organic Materials Collection services and documentation of waivers if any for each account 1125

Total monthly service charge (Residential, Commercial, and Roll-Off Box), pre-audit for each

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• Total monthly service charge (Residential, Commercial, and Roll-Off Box), post-audit (subsequent to corrections of identified exceptions) for each Customer.

The report shall include a description of the procedures followed to complete the route audit. This description shall include the names and titles of those supervising the route audits and the name and

titles of those performing the observations.

1133 The report shall also include a description of the changes and Contractor's plans to resolve the

- exceptions. The results of the audit, and supporting back-up data, shall be available for review by City or
- its representative.

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4.12 Preparation of CalRecycle Electronic Annual Report (EAR)

- 1137 Contractor shall prepare, and submit to City for approval, the EAR by July 1 of each Rate Period.
- 1138 Contractor shall revise EAR upon receipt of revisions made by City and/or their designee, and submit
- 1139 EAR to CalRecycle on behalf of the City.

ARTICLE 5. STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE

1142 **5.1 General**

1143 Contractor shall at all times comply with Applicable Law and provide services in a manner that is safe to

- the public and the Contractor's employees. Except to the extent that a higher performance standard is
- specified in this Agreement, Contractor shall perform services in accordance with Recyclable Materials,
- 1146 Organic Materials, and Solid Waste management practices common to the Orange County area.

5.2 Operating Hours and Schedules

- 1148 A. **Hours of Collection.** Unless otherwise authorized by the City Manager, Contractor's days and hours for Collection operations shall be as follows:
 - 1. **Residential Premises.** Collection from Residential Premises shall only occur between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Collection at Residential Premises shall not occur on Saturdays; excepting Temporary Bin Services and Collection occurring on Saturdays following such Holidays as may be approved by the City Manager. No Collection services shall occur on Sundays at Residential Premises, except in exceptional circumstances for which specific approval is given by the City Manager.
 - 2. Commercial Premises. Collection from Commercial Premises shall only occur between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Collection services may occur at Commercial Premises on Sundays; provided, however, no such service shall occur on Sundays in connection with any Premises at which the City Manager determines such service would be contrary to the public interest. The City Manager may require Contractor to comply with time frames applicable to Residential Premises in connection with Collection services for Customers at Commercial Premises whose Premises are in close proximity to Residential Premises.
 - 3. **City Facilities.** The Collection schedule for City facilities shall be the same as Commercial Premises specified in Subsection 5.2.A.2 above.

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B. Changes in Collection Routes. Contractor shall establish Collection routes and a Collection schedule that shall be approved by the City Manager such that Customers at all Residential and Commercial Premises within the City will have not less than one (1) established Collection day each week. Contractor shall provide the City with route maps identifying at a minimum: the type of route (e.g., Single-Family, Multi-Family, Commercial) and the service day. Contractor may, at any time during the Term of this Agreement, propose changes or additional routes, subject to City approval, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. If a standard Collection route change is approved, Contractor must notify all affected Customers fourteen (14) days prior to Contractor implementing the new route. Failure to obtain City approval on route changes resulting in service day changes for Customers shall be subject to Liquidated damages as identified in Section 11.6.

C. Commingling of Routes. During its Collection process, Contractor shall not commingle Solid Waste Collected within the City hereunder with Solid Waste Collected in other cities based on Contractor's methodology to account for Solid Waste Collected within the City, any other city, or on behalf of any other entity operating or existing within City that is not subject to this Agreement, and is specifically prohibited from combining Collection routes related to services provided pursuant to this Agreement with Collection routes for other jurisdictions it may service. Notwithstanding the forgoing, if Contractor utilizes a methodology satisfactory to the City Manager and CalRecycle to account for one (1) or more types of Solid Waste Collected within City. Approval of this Amendment constitutes, and Contractor obtains the written consent of the City Manager for Contractor to commingle such Solid Waste Collected with Solid Waste Collected from other jurisdictions, Contractor may commingle such Solid Waste Collected within the City in a Collection Vehicle with Solid Waste Collected from Premises in other jurisdictions.

The City Manager may grant their consent for such commingling in their absolute and sole discretion if they determine the methodology used to account for commingled Solid Waste is reasonably likely to result in the City being in compliance with the Applicable Laws; and, similarly may withdraw their consent if they determine the methodology used to account for commingled Solid Waste is reasonably likely to result in the City not being in compliance with Applicable Laws. As of the effective date of this Agreement, commingling of routes for the Collection of Recyclable Materials and Organic Materials from Customers at Commercial Premises and Multi-Family Dwellings is approved by the City, using a methodology for tracking such types of Solid Waste generated in the City and in other jurisdictions that is premised upon Container capacity.

D. Holiday Collection. Contractor, at its sole discretion, may choose not to provide Collection services on a Holiday. In such event, Contractor shall provide Single-Family Collection services on the day following the Holiday thereby adjusting subsequent work that week with normally scheduled Friday Collection Services being performed on Saturday; however, Customer service days shall be returned to the normal schedule within one (1) week of the Holiday. Multi-Family, Commercial, and City Collection Services shall be adjusted as agreed between the Contractor and the Customer but must meet the minimum frequency requirement of one (1) time per week. The Contractor shall provide Customers notice of Holiday-related changes in Collection schedules at least two (2) weeks prior to the change.

5.3 Collection Standards

A. **Servicing Containers.** Contractor shall Collect and return each Container to the location where the Occupant placed the Container for Collection. Contractor shall place the Containers upright with

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lids properly secured. For Customers other than Single-Family Residential Customers, Contractor may provide scout service, pull-out service, accessing Container enclosures with a key or access code, or locking Bin service as described in Exhibit B3.

1212 B. **Non-Collection, Courtesy Pick-Up Noticing.** Within thirty (30) days of the Effective Date, Contractor shall develop, and submit to the City Manager for review and approval, and as per the requirements of Section 4.10.A.4:

- A template Non-Collection Notice, for use in instances of acceptable non-Collection of Discarded Materials; and,
 - 2. A template Courtesy Pick-Up Notice, for use in instances of improper set-out of Discarded Materials, which the Contractor, at its sole option, elects to Collect as a courtesy to the Customer.

Per the requirements identified in Section 4.10.A, in the event that Contractor is prevented from Collecting Discarded Materials which have been placed for Collection, Contractor shall leave a Non-Collection Notice at the Customer Premises clearly explaining Contractor's reason for refusal to Collect the Discarded Materials. Contractor shall not be required to Collect Discarded Materials that are reasonably believed to contain Excluded Waste, pursuant to the requirements of Section 5.8. Contractor may propose an alternative to a paper Non-Collection Notice left at Customer Premises (e.g., Customer notification via a phone call or e-mail) subject to City approval. Such an alternative must involve pro-active communication with Customer, initiated by Contractor.

In the event that Contractor encounters circumstances at a Customer Premises which allow for safe Collection of Discarded Materials, but do not otherwise reflect proper set-out procedures (including, but not limited to spills not caused by the Contractor, Carts placed too close together, Carts placed in front of one another, and/or Carts placed too close to parked cars), Contractor shall Collect the material and leave a Courtesy Pick-Up Notice at the Customer Premises clearly explaining how the Customer failed to comply with proper set-out procedures.

Contractor may educate the public on proper set-out procedures designed to maximize the efficiency of Collection (e.g., Carts spaced three (3) feet apart). However, Contractor acknowledges that such procedures are not practical in all circumstances and failure of the Customer to follow such procedures does not constitute a reason for non-Collection if the Discarded Materials may be safely and reasonably serviced. Contractor's route drivers shall dismount their Collection vehicles and reposition Containers as necessary to provide Collection service. Contractor may not require a Customer to set out the Customer's Containers in such a manner that would block vehicle access to Customer's driveway. Contractor and Customers may mutually agree to uncommon service locations if necessary for Collection in specific areas (e.g., setting out all of the Carts in a court in a line down the middle of the court as opposed to Curbside.)

Contractor may refuse to Collect Recyclable Materials or Organic Materials Containers that are contaminated in accordance with Exhibit B and Section 4.10 and shall leave an approved Non-Collection Notice informing Customer how to properly separate materials.

1248 C. **Litter Abatement.** Contractor shall use due care to prevent spills or leaks of material placed for Collection, fuel, and other vehicle fluids while providing services under this Agreement. If any

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materials are spilled or leaked during Collection and Transportation, the Contractor shall clean up all spills or leaks before leaving the site of the spill.

Contractor shall not Transfer loads from one (1) vehicle to another on any Public Street, unless it is necessary to do so because of mechanical failure, combustion of material in the truck, or accidental damage to a vehicle.

Contractor shall cover all open Roll-Off Boxes at the pickup location before Transporting materials to an Approved Facility or the Designated Disposal Facility.

Contractor shall conduct public outreach and staff training to Customers on best management practices for litter abatement at no extra charge. Such best management practices include, without limitation:

- 1. Closing Container lids and right sizing service: Contractor staff will tag overfull Containers with Courtesy Pick-Up Notices, which will serve as outreach and education to the Customer. Photos of the Container will be taken by drivers, attached to the Customer's account, and will be available to outreach and Customer service staff in order to demonstrate to the Customer where a problem exists.
- 2. Outreach to Customer on importance of bagging lightweight materials such as plastic bags, film plastics, foam peanuts, and other materials that can easily become litter due to their lightweight nature.
- 3. Driver training on litter reduction techniques and litter removal best management practices.
- 4. Affixing signage to the back of Contractor trucks which provides a phone number for residents to report material spills.
- D. Development and Review of Collection Specifications. Contractor shall work with the City to develop standard specifications for Collection Container enclosures at Commercial and Multi-Family Premises. These specifications shall be developed to ensure that the Collection Container enclosures are built to provide adequate space for and suitable configuration to allow the Contractor to safely and efficiently service Recyclable Materials, Organic Materials, and Solid Waste Containers. Contractor's Operations Manager or other appropriately qualified staff shall, upon request by the City Manager, provide a review of plans for new Multi-Family and Commercial development or project design drawings. Contractor shall provide comments and recommendations resulting from the review in writing within ten (10) Working Days of receipt of the documents for review. In each review report, Contractor shall comment on the acceptability of the proposed enclosure arrangements in terms of the: i) adequacy of space for Recyclable Materials, Organic Materials, and Solid Waste Containers; ii) accessibility of the Containers for Collection, including whether additional charges (e.g., pull-out or scout service) would apply; and, iii) ease of use by tenants.
- 1286 E. **No Commingling of Materials.** Contractor shall not commingle materials which have been Source Separated with other material types (for example, Source Separated Recyclable Materials that have been properly placed for Collection shall not be combined with Solid Waste or Source Separated Organic Materials).

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5.4 Transfer and Processing Standards

A. **Equipment and Supplies**. Contractor shall equip and operate the Approved Processing Facilities in a manner to fulfill Contractor's obligations under this Agreement. Contractor is solely responsible for the adequacy, safety, and suitability of the Approved Processing Facilities. Contractor shall modify, enhance, and/or improve the Approved Processing Facilities as needed to fulfill Services under this Agreement.

Contractor shall provide all rolling stock, stationary equipment, material storage containers, spare parts, maintenance supplies, Transfer, Transport, Processing equipment, and other consumables as appropriate and necessary to operate the Approved Processing Facilities and provide all services required by this Agreement. Contractor shall place the equipment in the charge of competent operators. Contractor shall repair and maintain all equipment at its own cost and expense.

- B. Scales and Weighing. Contractor is solely responsible for ensuring accurate weighing of all materials entering and leaving the Approved Processing Facilities.
 - 1. Facility Scales. Contractor shall maintain State-certified motor vehicle scales in accordance with Applicable Law. All scales shall be linked to a centralized computer recording system at the Approved Processing Facilities to record weights for all incoming and outgoing materials. Contractor shall provide back-up generator(s) capable of supplying power to the scales in the event of a power outage. Contractor shall promptly arrange for use of substitute portable scales should its usual scales not be available for whatever reason. Pending substitution of portable scales, Contractor shall, as necessary, estimate the Tonnages of materials delivered to and Transported from the Approved Processing Facilities, on the basis of delivery vehicle and Transfer trailer volumes, tare weights, and/or other available facility weight records. These estimates shall take the place of actual weights while scales are inoperable and shall be identified as estimates in electronic records and reporting.
 - 2. Tare Weights. No less than thirty (30) calendar days after the Effective Date, Contractor shall ensure that all vehicles used by Contractor to deliver Recyclable Materials, Organic Materials, and Solid Waste to the Approved Processing Facilities are weighed to determine unloaded ("tare") weights. Contractor shall electronically record the tare weight, identify vehicle as Contractor owned, and provide a distinct vehicle identification number for each vehicle. Contractor shall provide City with a report listing the vehicle tare weight information upon request. Contractor shall promptly weigh additional or replacement vehicles prior to placing them into service. Contractor shall check tare weights at least annually, or within fourteen (14) calendar days of a City request and shall re-tare vehicles immediately after any major maintenance or service event.
 - 3. **Testing.** Contractor shall test and calibrate all scales in accordance with Applicable Law, but at least one (1) test and recalibration per scale every twelve (12) months or upon City request.
 - 4. **Records.** Contractor shall maintain computerized scale records and reports that provide information including date of receipt, inbound time, inbound and outbound weights of vehicles, and vehicle identification number. Contractor shall also maintain computerized

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scale records and reports providing historical vehicle tare weights for each vehicle and the date and location for each tare weight recorded.

5. **Upon-Request Reporting.** If vehicle receiving and unloading operations are recorded on video cameras at the Approved Processing Facilities, Contractor shall make those videos available for City review during the Approved Processing Facility's operating hours, upon request of the City, and shall provide the name of the driver of any particular load if available.

5.5 Collection Vehicle Requirements

- A. **Vehicle Requirements.** Contractor shall provide a fleet of Collection vehicles sufficient in number and capacity to efficiently perform the work required by the Agreement in strict accordance with its terms. Contractor shall have available sufficient back-up vehicles for each type of Collection vehicle used to respond to scheduled and unscheduled maintenance, service requests, Complaints, and emergencies.
 - 1. Contractor shall operate no vehicles within the City over ten (10) years in age during the Term of this Agreement. All such vehicles shall have watertight bodies designed to prevent leakage, spillage, or overflow and shall comply with all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations. Contractor's vehicles shall utilize Recycled motor oil to the extent practicable.
 - Contractor will annually investigate the ability to procure qualified RNG with their fueling provider and will implement the use of such fuel to the maximum available extent provided that the premium cost of qualified RNG does not cause Contractor's total fuel expense to increase by more than ten percent (10%). Contractor shall make best efforts to seek and utilize RNG that is purchased through a wheeling agreement with a party(ies), provided that the wheeling agreement is for purchase of gas derived from Organic Waste that has been Diverted from a landfill and Processed at an in-vessel digestion Facility that is permitted or otherwise authorized by 14 CCR to Recycle Organic Waste and meets SB 1383 requirements. Contractor shall maintain records of the amount of RNG purchased and shall report this information in accordance with Exhibit F. Contractor shall agree to the City the right to report this RNG usage toward the City's fulfilment of its annual recovered Organic Waste product procurement target in accordance with 14 CCR Section 18993.1.
 - 3. Collection vehicles shall have the capacity to Collect and Transport loose Cardboard overages to ensure that Contractor is capable of complying with Exhibit B.
 - 4. Collection vehicles shall present a clean appearance while providing service under this Agreement.
 - 5. Beginning January 1, 2023, Contractor will phase in all new Collection vehicles and trucks for full City fleet replacement by December 31, 2026. The replacement schedule by calendar year is:
- a. 2023: Fourteen (14) vehicles replaced
- b. 2024: Fourteen (14) vehicles replaced
- c. 2025: Five (5) vehicles replaced

d. 2026: Eight (8) vehicles replaced

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- 1374 6. No later than April 1, 2023, Contractor will operate one (1) electric Collection vehicle to be
 1375 used full-time on a Recyclable Materials route five (5) days per week in the City. Republic
 1376 will meet and confer with City to determine a plan for City to approve deployment of an
 1377 electric Collection vehicle.
- 1378 B. **Vehicle Display.** Contractor's name, local or toll-free telephone number, and a vehicle number shall be visibly printed or painted in letters not less than five (5) inches in height on both sides and the rear of each Collection Vehicle. Additionally, the words "Serving the City of Garden Grove" shall be displayed on both sides of every Residential Collection vehicle in letters not less than three (3) inches in height.
 - C. **Vehicle Inspection.** Contractor shall inspect each vehicle daily to ensure that all equipment is operating properly. Vehicles that are not operating properly shall be taken out of service until they are repaired and operate properly. Contractor shall repair or arrange for the repair of all its vehicles and equipment for which repairs are needed because of accident, breakdown, or any other cause so as to maintain all equipment in a safe and operable condition. City Manager may inspect vehicles at any reasonable time, and within three (3) calendar days of such a request, to determine compliance with sanitation requirements.
- D. Vehicle Operations. All Collection operations shall be conducted as quietly as possible and shall conform to applicable Federal, State, County, and City noise level regulations, including the requirement that the noise level during the stationary compaction process not exceed sixty (60) decibels with the exception of sixty-five (65) decibels for one (1) minute duration. All decibel readings shall be based on a distance of ten (10) feet from any part of the vehicle. The City may request Contractor to check any piece of equipment for conformance with the noise limits in response to Complaints and/or when the City Manager believes it is reasonable to do so.
- 1397 E. Leaks and Spill Mitigation. Contractor shall clean up any leaks or spills from its vehicles per the 1398 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit in effect at the time. Contractor 1399 shall notify City of any leaks or spills reported to Contractor or observed by any employee of 1400 Contractor. Contractor shall ensure that leaks or spills are remediated within two (2) hours of 1401 notification or observation. Contractor shall notify City immediately upon remediation of leaks or 1402 spills. No pollutant that leaks, spills, or otherwise escapes from any Contractor vehicle may be washed into a storm drain or otherwise allowed to enter a storm drain at any time. Contractor 1403 1404 must take all measures necessary to prevent the discharge of any such pollutant into a storm drain. All NPDES dry-cleaning measures shall be complied with. All Collection Vehicles must be 1405 1406 equipped with absorbent for such cleanup efforts. Contractor shall provide photographic evidence 1407 to the City for each clean up. Payment of Liquidated Damages for failure to clean up leaks or spills 1408 within the required timeframe, and/or for failure to follow the cleanup procedures, does not 1409 excuse Contractor from the clean-up requirements contained in this Section 5.5.E.
- 1410 F. Costs of Operation and Damages. Contractor shall be responsible for any costs incurred in connection with ensuring all Collection Vehicles comply with all Applicable Laws and regulations, including without limitation any such laws and regulations that may now exist or hereinafter be adopted relating to noise, fuels, emission standards, or weight limits.

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5.6 Container Requirements

A. Containers Provided to Customers. Contractor shall provide Containers to new Customers requesting service initiation within three (3) Working Days of Contractor's first receipt of the Customer request. Contractor-provided Containers shall be new and shall comply with the Container standards set forth in this Section 5.6. All Containers shall display the Contractor's name, logo, telephone number, website, capacity (yards or gallons) and some identifying inventory or serial number. All Residential and Commercial Customers using Carts for services will receive new Carts in calendar year 2027 so that all Residential and Commercial Cart Customers will have new, color compliant Carts with SB 1383 by December 31, 2027.

B. Container Standards.

- 1. All Carts shall be manufactured by injection or rotational molding methods. The Cart handles and handle mounts may be an integrally molded part of the Cart body or molded as part of the lid. The Cart handles shall provide comfortable gripping area for pulling or pushing the Cart or lifting the lid. Pinch points are unacceptable. Carts provided to Customer shall have a useful life of ten (10) or more years or more as evidenced by a manufacturer's warranty or other documentation acceptable to the City.
- Carts shall remain durable, and at a minimum, shall meet the following durability requirements to satisfy its intended use and performance, for the Term of this Agreement: maintain its original shape and appearance; be resistant to kicks and blows; require no routine maintenance and essentially be maintenance free; not warp, crack, rust, discolor, or otherwise deteriorate over time in a manner that shall interfere with its intended use; resist degradation from ultraviolet radiation; be incapable of penetration by biting or clawing of household pets (i.e., dogs and cats); the bottoms of Cart bodies must remain impervious to any damage, that would interfere with the Cart's intended use after repeated contact with gravel, concrete, asphalt, or any other rough and abrasive surface; all wheel and axle assemblies are to provide continuous maneuverability and mobility as originally designed and intended.
- 3. Carts shall be resistant to: common household or Residential products and chemicals; human and animal urine and feces; and, airborne gases or particulate matter currently present in the ambient air of the Service Area.
- 4. All Bins with a capacity of one (1) cubic yard or more shall meet applicable Federal regulations for Bin safety and be covered with attached lids.
- 5. Contractor shall obtain the City's written approval of Container material, design, colors, labeling, and other specifications before acquisition, painting, labeling, or distribution occurs.
- 6. When purchasing plastic Collection Containers, Contractor shall purchase Containers that contain a minimum of thirty percent (30%) post-consumer Recycled plastic content, unless such requirement is waived by the City Manager.
- 1452 7. Container lids shall be designed such that the follow requirements are met:
 - a. Prevents the intrusion of rainwater and vectors;
 - b. Prevents the emissions on odors;

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1455 c. Enables the free and complete flow of material from the Container during the dump 1456 cycle without interference with the material already deposited in the truck body or 1457 the truck body itself and its lifting mechanism;

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- d. Permits users of the Cart to conveniently and easily open and shut the lid throughout the serviceable life of the Cart;
- e. Hinges to the Cart body in such a manner to enable the lid to be fully opened, free of tension, to a position whereby it may rest against the backside of the Cart body;
- f. Prevents damage to the Container body, the lid itself, or any component parts through repeated opening and closing of the lid by Generators or in the dumping process as intended;
- g. Remains closed in winds up to twenty-five (25) miles per hour from any direction. All lid hinges must remain fully functional and continually hold the lid in the original designed and intended positions when either opened or closed or any position between the two (2) extremes; and,
- h. Designed and constructed such that it prevents physical injury to the user while opening and closing the Cart.
- 8. Containers shall be stable and self-balancing in the upright position, when either empty or loaded to its maximum design capacity with an evenly distributed load, and with the lid in either a closed or an open position. Containers shall be capable of maintaining upright position in sustained or gusting winds of up to twenty-five (25) miles per hour as applied from any direction.
- 9. Containers shall be capable of being easily moved and maneuvered, if applicable, with an evenly distributed load equal in weight to its maximum design capacity on a level, sloped or stepped surface.
- 10. All such Containers shall be one hundred percent (100%) Recyclable at the end of their useful life.
- 11. All Containers shall be designed and constructed to be watertight and prevent the leakage of liquids.
- Container Colors. Contractor shall provide all Customers with Collection Containers that comply with the Container color requirements specified in this Section 5.6, or as otherwise specified in 14 CCR Section 18982; 14 CCR, Division 7, Chapter 12, Article 3; or other Applicable Law. Colors shall be colorfast and resistant to fading as a result of weathering or ultraviolet degradation; and the lids and bodies shall be uniform for each Container type, as follows:
 - 1. Recyclable Materials Container lids shall be blue;
 - 2. Organic Materials Container lids shall be green;
- 1490 3. Solid Waste Container lids shall be black or grey; and,
- 4. Source Separated Food Waste Container lids shall be brown.

Hardware such as hinges and wheels on the Containers may be a different color than specified above. All Containers shall comply with these color requirements, including Split-Bins. Each section of the Split-Bin shall be painted in accordance with the color requirements in this Section 5.6 for the applicable Discarded Material type intended for that segregated section of the Bin

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(e.g., a Split-Bin for Solid Waste and Recyclable Materials would be half gray and half blue, respectively).

1498 D. Container Labeling. Refuse, Recyclable Materials, and Organic Materials Carts shall carry
 1499 stickers/labels or other identifying markings indicating the materials that should and should not be
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All Carts that are not currently in Contractor's inventory shall include a high-quality educational information label using in-mold technology, such that all labeling shall be integral to the outside of the lid, through the use of injection molding, and shall not be affixed to any part of the Cart or lid using adhesives. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 5.6, or the requirements of SB 1383, the in-mold lid label shall, at a minimum, include for each Container: primary materials accepted; a clear indication of Prohibited Container Contaminants for that Container type, notification forbidding Hazardous Waste and describing proper Disposal thereof. Design for the inmold labels must be approved by City prior to ordering labels or Carts. Lids shall be replaced when in-mold labels become worn, but no later than ninety (90) days of request from City. Information on the Refuse Carts shall include the telephone number to call for Contractor for Bulky Item pickups and for general Customer service. Contractor may also add to the required Cart label a scannable Quick Response ("QR") Code that can be scanned by Customer's personal digital devices, including cell phones, to allow Customer to review information including Cart materials accepted, Prohibited Container Contaminants, and other information concerning SB 1383 programs that can be updated over time to reflect new information or program changes. All Carts shall be labeled in accordance with CalRecycle requirements under SB 1383 throughout the Term of this Agreement. In-mold labels shall be designed to include English, Spanish, and Vietnamese. Hot stamps shall be on the top of the lid and/or on the body of the Cart and shall be reviewed and approved by the City.

E. Repair and Replacement of Containers; Inventory. Contractor shall be responsible for repairing or replacing Containers when Contractor determines the Container is no longer suitable for service; or when the City or Customer requests replacement of a Container that does not properly function, leaks, is damaged, or is otherwise not fit for service. Contractor shall be responsible for acquiring and providing the replacement Containers. Contractor shall repair or replace all damaged or broken Containers within three (3) Working Days of Customer or City request. Minor cracks, holes, and other damages to hinges, wheels, axle, hardware, and other component parts shall be readily repairable by the Contractor personnel. All repairs must restore the Cart to its full functionality to meet the design and performance requirements as set for herein.

Contractor shall maintain a sufficient inventory of Containers to accommodate new Customer requests for service, requests for change in Service Levels (size, type, or number of Containers) from current subscribers, and requests for replacement due to damage. All replacement Containers requested by Customers and any newly deployed Containers for new services will be new and SB 1383 color compliant.

Contractor shall provide to Single-Family Customers at least one (1) free Cart replacement per any twelve (12) month period for any reason, upon Customer request. If Customer requests more than one (1) Cart replacement per any twelve (12) month period, Contractor shall make Carts available at the City-approved Rate for such services. In addition, Single-Family Customers may also request one (1) Cart size exchange per Rate Period at no charge. All such Containers shall be provided

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within three (3) Working Days of request. Contractor's failure to comply with the Container requirements may result in assessment of Liquidated Damages pursuant to Section 11.6.

- All Bins will be replaced on the Contractor's normal replacement schedule and any new Bins placed into service will comply with the color and labeling requirements of SB 1383. All Refuse, Source Separated Recyclable Materials, and/or Organic Materials Bins at a Customer location shall be uniform in color.
- F. Maintenance, Cleaning, Painting. All Containers shall be maintained in a safe, serviceable, and functional condition, and present a clean appearance. Contractor shall repair or replace all Containers damaged by Collection operations in accordance with standards specified in this Section 5.6, unless damage is caused by Customer's gross negligence, in which case, the Customer will be billed for repair or replacement of Container at a City-approved Rate for such service. All Containers shall be maintained in a functional condition.
- 1551 Contractor shall steam clean and/or repaint all Containers as needed to present a clean appearance. Contractor shall offer steam cleaning service (or clean Container exchange) to Customers requesting such service and may charge Customers for such cleaning (or Container exchange).
- 1555 Contractor shall remove graffiti from Containers within two (2) Working Days or notification at no additional charge.
- Upon request from the City Manager, Contractor shall provide the City with a list of Containers and the date each Container was painted and maintained.
- Monitoring and Cleaning of Container Enclosures. Contractor shall work with the City Manager in identifying and resolving continual problems with overflowing Carts, Bins, or within Container enclosures, and/or other unsanitary conditions caused by Customers. Contractor shall clean out any overflowing Bins or Bin enclosures within City within twenty-four (24) hours of notification by City. Contractor shall provide photographic evidence of overflowing Bins to City. Contractor may bill Customers for any such services when they are required by City in an amount not to exceed Contractor's actual and reasonable costs incurred in doing so.

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- 1567 A. **General.** Contractor shall furnish such qualified personnel as may be necessary to provide the services required by this Agreement in a safe and efficient manner.
- Contractor shall use its best efforts to assure that all employees present a neat appearance and conduct themselves in a courteous manner. Contractor shall not permit its employees to accept, demand, or solicit, directly or indirectly, any additional compensation, or gratuity from Customers or members of the public.
- B. **Driver Qualifications.** All drivers must have in effect a valid license, of the appropriate class, issued by the California Department of Motor Vehicles. Contractor shall use the Class II California Department of Motor Vehicles employer "Pull Notice Program" to monitor its drivers for safety.

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1576 C. **Safety Training.** Contractor shall provide suitable operational and safety training for all employees who operate Collection vehicles or equipment. Contractor shall train its employees involved in Collection to identify, and not to Collect, Excluded Waste. Upon the City Manager's request, Contractor shall provide a copy of its safety policy and safety training program, the name of its safety officer, and the frequency of its trainings.

1581 D. Designated Staff.

- 1. **Contractor's Contract Administrator.** Contractor shall designate at least one (1) qualified employee as City's primary point of contact with Contractor who is principally responsible for Collection operations and resolution of service requests and Complaints. Such individual shall be empowered to negotiate on behalf of and bind Contractor with respect to any changes in scope, dispute resolution, compensation adjustments, and service-related matters which may arise during the Term of this Agreement. Such individual is defined as Contractor's Contract Administrator.
- 2. **Field Supervisor.** Contractor shall designate one (1) qualified full-time employee as supervisor of field operations. The designated Field Supervisor will devote at least fifty percent (50%) of their time in the City in the field checking on Collection operations, including responding to Customer requests, inquiries, and Complaints.
- 3. **Recycling Coordinator.** To achieve a high level of Recycling public education and awareness, the Contractor shall dedicate the equivalent of two and one-half (2.5) full-time Recycling Coordinators and the equivalent of one-half of a full-time route auditor or compliance monitor to the City to complete outreach to Residential, Multi-Family and Commercial Customers, and develop and implement all public education and outreach activities required under the Agreement. The Recycling Coordinators and route auditors shall conduct outreach, promote waste reduction, Recycling, Diversion programs, and provide technical assistance to Multi-Family and Commercial Customers.
 - a. The Recycling Coordinators shall work exclusively on the City programs and services and shall not have other, non-City responsibilities or other City responsibilities not related to Recycling Coordinator responsibilities in the City.
 - b. The Recycling Coordinators shall visit each school located within the City each Rate Period to discuss environmental issues with students, read books and facilitate craft activities.
 - c. Contractor shall provide fully trained and experienced Recycling Coordinators on or before the start of services under this Agreement. In the event of resignation of a Coordinator, Contractor shall have a maximum of ninety (90) calendar days to replace the Coordinator. Contractor shall notify City, in writing, of the name, education, background and experience, including a resume, and a list of three (3) references for each Coordinator prior to commencing operations and whenever there is a change in the staffing of the positions. Contractor shall provide Recycling Coordinators that can speak Spanish or Vietnamese in addition to English.
 - d. Upon City request, Contractor shall designate a different Coordinator if the City is dissatisfied with the performance of one (1) of the designated Coordinators.
 - e. The Contractor shall allow the City a reasonable opportunity to review, request modifications to, and approve all materials including, but not limited to: print, radio,

television, or internet media before publication, distribution, and/or release. The Recycling Coordinators shall also work cooperatively with any City-appointed outreach and education consultant.

E. **Key Personnel.** Contractor shall make every reasonable effort to maintain the stability and continuity of Contractor's staff assigned to perform the services required under this Agreement. Contractor shall notify the City of any changes in Contractor's key staff to be assigned to perform the services required under this Agreement and shall obtain the approval of the City Manager of all proposed key staff members who are to be assigned to perform services under this Agreement prior to any such performance.

Notwithstanding City's approval of Contractor's personnel, Contractor shall not be relieved from any liability resulting from the work to be performed under this Agreement, nor shall Contractor be relieved from its obligation to ensure that its personnel maintain all requisite certifications, licenses, and the like, and Contractor shall ensure that its personnel at all times fully comply with Applicable Law.

At any point during the Term of this Agreement, the City may request, in writing, that any of Contractor's employees be reassigned such that they no longer perform any work relating to this Agreement and shall provide a statement describing the reason for such request. Within twenty-four (24) hours of Contractor's receipt of such request, or such other time agreed to by City in writing, Contractor shall remove the identified employee(s) from performing any work related to this Agreement; the vacated position(s) must be filled by Contractor with a suitable replacement within ten (10) calendar days and Contractor shall immediately fill the vacated position with a temporary replacement if required to perform, without delay, all services required under this Agreement.

5.8 Hazardous Waste Inspection and Handling

- A. Inspection Program and Training. Contractor shall develop a load inspection program that includes the following components: (i) personnel and training; (ii) load checking activities; (iii) management of wastes; and, (iv) record keeping and emergency procedures.
- 1646 Contractor's load checking personnel, including its Collection vehicle drivers, shall be trained in: (i)
 1647 the effects of Hazardous Substances on human health and the environment; (ii) identification of
 1648 prohibited materials; and, (iii) emergency notification and response procedures. Collection vehicle
 1649 drivers shall inspect Containers before Collection when practical.
- В. Response to Excluded Waste Identified During Collection. If Contractor determines that material placed in any Container for Collection is Excluded Waste or presents a hazard to Contractor's employees, the Contractor shall have the right to refuse to accept such material. The Generator shall be contacted by the Contractor and requested to arrange proper Disposal. If the Generator cannot be reached immediately, the Contractor shall, before leaving the Premises, leave Non-Collection Notice, which indicates the reason for refusing to Collect the material and lists the phone number of a facility that accepts the Excluded Waste or a phone number of an entity that can provide information on proper Disposal of the Excluded Waste. Under no circumstances shall Contractor's employees knowingly Collect Excluded Waste or remove unsafe or poorly containerized Excluded Waste from a Collection Container.

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1660 If Excluded Waste is found in a Collection Container or Collection area that could possibly result in 1661 imminent danger to people or property, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Fire 1662 Department.

1663 Response to Excluded Waste Identified at Processing or Disposal Facility. Materials Collected by 1664 Contractor will be delivered to the Approved Facilities for purposes of Processing or Disposal. In 1665 the event that load checkers and/or equipment operators at such facility identify Excluded Waste 1666 in the loads delivered by Contractor, such personnel shall remove these materials for storage in 1667 approved, on-site, Excluded Waste storage Container(s). Contractor shall arrange for removal of 1668 the Excluded Wastes at its cost by permitted haulers in accordance with Applicable Laws and regulatory requirements. The Contractor may at its sole expense attempt to identify and recover 1669 1670 the cost of Disposal from the Generator. If the Generator can be successfully identified, the cost of 1671 this effort, as well as the cost of Disposal shall be chargeable to the Generator.

5.9 Contract Management

- 1673 The City Manager shall monitor and administer this Agreement. Contractor's Contract Administrator
- shall be responsible for working closely with the City Manager in the monitoring and administration of
- this Agreement.

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- 1676 The Contractor's Contract Administrator shall meet and confer with the City Manager to resolve
- differences of interpretation and implement and execute the requirements of this Agreement in an
- 1678 efficient and effective manner that is consistent with the stated objectives of this Agreement.
- 1679 The City Manager and the Contractor's Contract Administrator shall hold contract management
- meetings monthly or at such other frequency as designated by the City Manager. This meeting is
- intended to review the status of Contractor's implementation of programs and services required under
- this Agreement, coordinate shared efforts between the parties, and such other agenda items as are
- deemed appropriate by the Parties for such meetings.
- 1684 From time to time the City Manager may designate other agents of City to work with Contractor on
- specific matters. In such cases, those individuals should be considered designee of the City Manager for
- those matters to which they have been engaged. Such designee shall be afforded all of the rights and
- access granted thereto. In the event of a dispute between the City Manager's designee and Contractor,
- the City Manager's determination shall be conclusive.
- 1689 City Manager shall have the right to observe and review Contractor operations and Processing Facilities
- 1690 and enter Premises for the purposes of such observation and review, including review of Contractor's
- 1691 records, during reasonable hours with reasonable notice. In no event shall Contractor prevent access to
- such Premises for a period of more than three (3) calendar days after receiving such a request. City
- 1693 Manager shall be granted access to Contractor's information systems and Customer service database in
- accordance with Section 4.8.

5.10 Minimum Diversion Requirements

1696 A. **General**. Contractor shall Divert from landfilling a minimum of twenty percent (20%) of all Discarded Material it Collects under this Agreement excluding Construction and Demolition Debris. Compliance will be measured on a calendar year basis, beginning with calendar year 2023. Discarded Materials Collected shall only be considered to have been Recycled or Diverted as

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required under this Agreement if it is deemed to be Diversion by CalRecycle in connection with efforts to meet City's Diversion goals. The Contractor shall make reasonable efforts to assure that Recyclable Materials and Organic Materials are Transported, handled at the Approved Processing Facilities, so as to prevent or minimize the amount of such materials taken to a landfill and to maximize Diversion credits for the City. Contractor shall provide documentation to the City within thirty (30) days of the end of each calendar year stating and supporting that calendar year's Diversion rate. Diversion from sources other than Contractor's Collection and Diversion efforts (such as source reduction, reuse, or Recyclable Materials and Organic Materials Diverted by other enterprises, Collection of materials that are not the subject of this Agreement, or the efforts of Self-Haulers) is not to be counted as Diversion achieved by Contractor. Transformation may be used as a method to achieve the minimum Recycling requirements to the extent that is allowable as Diversion as defined by CalRecycle.

Contractor shall Divert from landfilling the State-mandated Construction and Demolition Debris Diversion percentage of all Construction and Demolition Debris loads Contractor Collects under this Agreement. Contractor shall provide a Diversion report for each construction and demolition project performed by Contractor.

Upon the request of either Party, not more often than once every two (2) years, the Parties agree to meet and confer regarding adjustments to the minimum Diversion rate, based on factors including waste composition data provided by Contractor, trends in source reduction and reuse, trends in third party Diversion, extent of reverse logistics, emerging methods of Processing and Recycling/reusing new waste materials, the availability of markets, Transportation constraints, embargoes, and the impact of scavenging. City shall consider such information provided by Contractor and other industry data and shall, at its sole discretion, determine if any adjustments to the minimum Diversion requirements shall be made, and such changes must be approved by the City Council before becoming effective. If these Diversion requirements are not met, City may instruct Contractor to initiate new programs at Contractor's expense in order for this goal to be met on a consistent basis.

B. **Implementation of Additional Diversion Services**. In the event City does not meet the current Diversion goal imposed by AB 939 or any other standard subsequently established by State Legislature with respect to all waste generated in City, City may direct Contractor to perform additional services (including the implementation of new Diversion programs) or modify the manner in which it performs existing services, and Contractor agrees to do so and may request a compensation adjustment under Section 3.6. Pilot programs and innovative services which may entail new Collection methods, and use of new or alternative waste Processing and Disposal technologies are included among the kinds of changes which City may direct.

ARTICLE 6. RECORD KEEPING AND REPORTING

6.1 Record Keeping

Contractor shall maintain Customer contact data, Customer service, accounting, statistical, operational, programmatic, and other records, and associated documentation, related to its performance as shall be necessary to provide detailed and accurate reports under this Agreement, and to demonstrate compliance with this Agreement and Applicable Law. Unless otherwise required in this Article 6,

Contractor shall retain all records and data required to be maintained by this Agreement for the Term of this Agreement plus five (5) years after its expiration or earlier termination. Records and data shall be in chronological and organized form that is readily and easily interpreted to facilitate the flexible use of data to structure reports. Contractor's records shall be stored in one (1) central location, physical or electronic, that can be readily accessed by Contractor. Upon request, any such records shall be retrieved in a timely manner, not to exceed five (5) Working Days of a request by the City Manager, and made available to the City Manager; including any record or documentation that City, may deem necessary, for the City to fulfill obligations under Applicable Law including, but not limited to, AB 939, AB 341, AB 1826, AB 876, AB 901, SB 1383, as amended.

Contractor shall maintain adequate record security to preserve records from events that can be reasonably anticipated such as a fire, theft, and an earthquake. Electronically maintained data and records shall be protected and backed-up. The City reserves the right to require the Contractor to maintain Customer service and compliance records required herein using a City-approved web-based software platform, at Contractor's expense. To the extent that Contractor utilizes its computer systems to comply with record keeping and reporting requirements under this Agreement, Contractor shall, on a monthly basis, save all system-generated reports supporting those record keeping and reporting requirements in a static format in order to provide an audit trail for all data required by City, as requested, under this Agreement.

At a mutually agreed upon time during normal business hours, but within five (5) Work Days of a written request from City, Contractor shall provide to the City the Contractor's data and records with respect to the matters covered by this Agreement and Applicable Law. Contractor shall permit the City, or its designee, to audit, examine, and make excerpts or transcripts from such data and records, and make copies of all data relating to all matters covered by this Agreement and the Applicable Law. Contractor may designate Customer information Applicable Law as confidential. Contractor shall maintain such data and records in an accessible location and condition for a period of not less than five (5) years following the City's receipt of final payment under this Agreement unless the City agrees in writing to an earlier disposition. Contractor agrees that all data requested by City regarding its business operations, Customer lists, routing, Tonnage, Service Levels, work orders issued from dispatch, and Customer service logs, shall be made available to the City Manager or their designee upon request and within the timelines required by this Section 6.1. City is subject to the California Public Records Act (Government Code section 6250, et. seq.) and nothing in this Agreement is intended to impair City's requirements or obligations under that Act.

City is subject to the California Public Records Act (Gov. Code, §§ 6250 - 6276.48) ("CPRA"). City and Contractor agree that the confidential and Proprietary Information designated by Contractor asserts an exemption for "trade secrets" under subdivision (k) of Government Code section 6254, Evidence Code section 1060, Civil Code section 3426.1(d) and Public Resources Code section 40062(a). In the event that City receives a CPRA request seeking disclosure of information Contractor has designated as confidential and Proprietary, City shall promptly notify Contractor of the request and provide Contractor a reasonable opportunity to comment on the pending request before City acts upon it. Contractor shall have the right to seek an order from the Superior Court to limit or enjoin the City's disclosure of such records. City agrees that it will assert that the request, to the extent it seeks Confidential Information, seeks information that Contractor has designated confidential and Proprietary and is exempt from disclosure pursuant to the trade secret exemption under subdivision (k) of Government Code section 6254 and any other applicable exemption. In the event City is subject to an action seeking to enforce the CPRA for any information designated confidential and Proprietary Information hereunder, Contractor

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shall defend and indemnify City in such litigation, which indemnity shall cover all of City's costs and expenses, including attorney's fees.

City views its ability to defend itself against Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), and related litigation as a matter of great importance. For this reason, City regards its ability to prove where Collected Recyclable Materials, Organic Materials, and Solid Waste are taken for Transfer, Processing, or Disposal. Contractor shall maintain records which can establish where Recyclable Materials, Organic Materials, and Solid Waste Collected were Transferred, Processed, or Disposed. This provision shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement. Contractor shall maintain these records for a minimum of ten (10) years beyond expiration or earlier termination of the Agreement. Contractor shall provide these records to City (upon request or at the end of the record retention period) in an organized and indexed manner rather than destroying or Disposing of them.

6.2 Report Submittal Requirements

The parties acknowledge that City will require reporting by Contractor at various intervals by which information important to City can be compiled and analyzed. Throughout the Term the parties agree to work together to address City's needs with respect to the information to be contained in reports prepared by Contractor. The following is intended as a starting point in order to have established an objective baseline for reporting, but the frequency and content of the reports called out below may be changed by agreement of the parties, provided any such change is approved by the City Manager in writing. Records related to performance of this Agreement shall be maintained by Contractor in forms and by methods that facilitate flexible use of data contained in them to structure reports, as needed. The format of each report shall be approved by City. Contractor agrees to submit all reports in an electronic format compatible with City's software/computers at no charge to City. Monthly reports shall be submitted within twenty (20) calendar days after the end of the report month. Quarterly reports shall be submitted within forty-five (45) calendar days after the end of the calendar quarter. Annual reports shall be submitted within forty-five (45) calendar days after the end of the calendar year.

- Monthly, quarterly, and annual reports shall include at a minimum, all data and information described in
- 1813 Exhibit F, unless otherwise specified under this Agreement.
- 1814 Contractor may propose report formats that are responsive to the objectives and audiences for each
- report. The format of each report shall be approved by the City Manager in their sole discretion. City
- 1816 Manager may, from time to time during the Term, review, and request changes to Contractor's report
- 1817 formats and content and Contractor shall not unreasonably deny such requests.
- 1818 Contractor shall submit all reports to the City Manager electronically via e-mail using software
- 1819 acceptable to the City. The City reserves the right to require the Contractor to maintain records and
- 1820 submit the reports required herein through use of a City-selected web-based software platform, at the
- 1821 Contractor's expense.
- 1822 City reserves the right to require Contractor to provide additional reports or documents as City Manager
- 1823 reasonably determines to be required for the administration of this Agreement or compliance with
- 1824 Applicable Law.

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6.3 Performance Review

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1826 City may hold a public hearing, or other meeting, on or about the two-year anniversary of the start of 1827 this Agreement, and each twelve (12) months thereafter, at which time Contractor shall be present and 1828 shall participate, to review the Discarded Materials Collection, source reduction, Processing and other Diversion services and overall performance. The purpose of the hearing is to provide for a discussion and 1829 1830 review of technological, economic, and regulatory changes in Collection, source reduction, Recycling, 1831 Processing and Disposal to achieve a continuing, advanced Discarded Materials Collection, source 1832 reduction and Recycling and Disposal system; and to ensure services are being provided with adequate 1833 quality, effectiveness, and economy.

- Forty-five (45) days after receiving notice from City of a Performance Review Hearing, Contractor shall, at a minimum, submit a report to City indicating the following:
- Changes recommended and/or new services to improve City's ability to meet the goals of AB 939, AB 341, AB 1826, SB 1383, and any current or future regulations, and to contain costs and minimize impacts on Rates. A specific plan for regulatory compliance shall be included.
 - Any specific plans and proposed costs for provision of changed or new services by Contractor.
 - Results of the most recent route audit as described in Section 4.11.
- The reports required by this Agreement regarding Customer Complaints shall be used as one (1) basis for review. Contractor may submit other relevant performance information and reports for consideration. City may request Contractor to submit specific information for the hearing. In addition, any Customer may submit comments or Complaints during or before the hearing, either orally or in writing, and these shall be considered.
- Topics for discussion and review at the Performance Review Hearing shall include, but shall not be limited to, services provided, route audit results, feasibility of providing new services, application of new technologies, Customer Complaints, amendments to this Agreement, developments in the law, new initiatives for meeting or exceeding AB 939's goals, regulatory constraints, and Contractor performance. City and Contractor may each select additional topics for discussion at any Performance Review Hearing.
- Not later than sixty (60) days after the conclusion of each Performance Review Hearing, City may issue a report. As a result of the review, City may require Contractor to provide expanded or new services within a reasonable time and for reasonable Rates and compensation and City may direct or take corrective actions for any performance inadequacies.

6.4 Biennial Audit

- 1856 A. **General.** Contractor shall fund biennial audits as described below. The scope of the audit, and auditing party, will be determined by City and the scope may include, but is not limited to:
- Compliance with terms of this Agreement;
- Customer Service Levels and Billing;
- Fee payments;
- 1861 Receipts;

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- Complaint log;
- Compliance with Mandatory Commercial Recycling, Mandatory Commercial Organics Recycling, and SB 1383; and,
 - Verification of Diversion rate.

The first audit, to be performed during 2024, will be based on the Contractor's reports and records for the period from commencement of the Agreement through December 31, 2023. Audits will be performed every other year thereafter (the biennial audit). Contractor will reimburse to the City the cost of such audits up to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the first audit, and fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for each subsequent biennial audit in 2024 dollars. The fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) amount in subsequent years shall be adjusted annually by 2.5% per year.

Should an audit by the City disclose that Franchise or other fees payable by the Contractor were underpaid by three percent (3%) or more, or that more than two percent (2%) of the Customers were inaccurately billed, for the period under review, Contractor shall reimburse the City for the actual cost of the audit to the extent it exceeded fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) and shall also pay for additional audit costs if City determines it is necessary to expand the scope of the audit.

B. Payments and Refunds. Should an audit by the City disclose that the Franchise Fees payable by the Contractor were underpaid or that Customers were overcharged for the period under review, Contractor shall pay to City any underpayment of Franchise Fees and/or refund to Contractor's Customers any overcharges within thirty (30) days following the date of the audit. Should an audit disclose that Franchise Fees were overpaid, City shall refund to Contractor the amount of the overpayment within the same time frame. Should the audit disclose that Customers were undercharged, Customers may be billed for up to, but not exceeding, ninety (90) days of services not previously billed by Contractor or City.

6.5 Disaster Plan

Upon request of City, Contractor shall assist City in the preparation of an updated draft disaster debris cleanup implementation plan that sets forth procedures for Collection of debris following a major disaster such as an earthquake, flood, fire, or other similar event. The disaster plan shall address priorities for cleanup at critical facilities, procedures for reimbursement for costs, describe communication plans, list key contact Persons, and provide maps showing proposed sites for stockpiling of disaster debris that cannot be Transported to the landfill. Contractor shall coordinate the implementation of the plan with City's emergency service teams.

6.6 Recyclist Software

1896 Contractor shall utilize the "Recyclist" cloud-based software or, with City approval, another substantially
1897 equivalent cloud-based software, at no additional cost to the City or ratepayers, to integrate outreach
1898 efforts to businesses within the City, store reports required by Article 6 and Exhibit F of this Agreement,
1899 and additional data required to be made available to CalRecycle. City shall have on-line access to the
1900 database for real-time monitoring of data.

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ARTICLE 7. CONTRACTOR'S CONSIDERATION

In addition to any other consideration set forth herein, as part of its consideration for entering this Agreement, and for the exclusive franchise, right and privilege to provide Collection services within City as specified herein Contractor shall provide the following:

7.1 Franchise Fee

Contractor shall pay to City, a Franchise Fee based on the percentages in the below table of Contractor's annual Gross Receipts each year, or portion thereof, during the entire Term of this Agreement.

Fiscal Year	Franchise Fee Percentage
July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023	Nine percent (9%)
July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024	Nine and fifty-hundredths percent (9.5%)
July 1, 2024, and annually thereafter	Ten percent (10%)

The Franchise Fee shall be paid to City monthly on or before the twentieth (20) day of each month.

Should any such due date fall on a weekend or Holiday in which the City's business offices are closed,
payment shall be due on the first day thereafter in which the City's business offices are open. The
amount of each payment shall be equal to the percentages in the table above of Contractor's Gross
Receipts received in the calendar month preceding the date payment is due.

For those Customers, if any, whose service Rates are collected on the tax rolls or otherwise by the City on behalf of Contractor, and in the event any Customer makes a payment due for service to the City, City shall forward said sums to Contractor, which shall include such sums in the Gross Receipts for the month in which payment is made to Contractor. In order to realize more efficient costs of Processing, Contractor authorizes the Franchise Fee due in connection with amounts that are collected from Customers by City on behalf of Contractor, if any, to be deducted by City prior to City forwarding said funds.

The Franchise Fee due hereunder shall apply to Gross Receipts of Contractor collected after the expiration of the Term hereof relating to Contractor's performance during the Term hereof. Franchise Fees shall be accompanied by a statement certified by an officer of Contractor attesting to the accuracy of the amounts paid and setting forth the basis for their calculation in a manner acceptable to City.

7.2 Administrative Cost Reimbursement

On or before July 1 each year, Contractor shall make a payment to City in the amount more fully set forth in this paragraph to reimburse City for its administrative costs incurred related to this Agreement (the "Administrative Cost Reimbursement") during the ensuing year. The amount of the annual Administrative Cost Reimbursement is based on a review of past time expended by City staff relating to this Agreement and the reasonable estimate of actual costs that will be incurred. The initial annual Administrative Cost Reimbursement shall be in the amount of one hundred eighty-three thousand eight hundred dollars and ninety-eight cents (\$183,800.98). Thereafter, the amount due on or before July 1, 2023 and each July 1 thereafter shall be the sum of: (1) one hundred eighty-three thousand eight hundred dollars and ninety-eight cents (\$183,800.98) adjusted annually by the change in the GTCI for the twelve (12) month period ending the preceding January 31; plus (2) City's actual consultant costs

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related to requests from Contractor pertaining to this Agreement (i.e., requests for discretionary Rate adjustments, requests for transfers, or requests to consider new programs); plus (3) City's legal fees and out of pocket costs incurred in the administration of this Agreement, including fees and costs associated with analyzing new legislation, considering requests from Contractor (including specifically, without limitation, requests for maximum Rate adjustments), and otherwise analyzing issues that arise in connection with this Agreement. Commencing with the payment due July 1, 2023, invoices for the Administrative Cost Reimbursement will be provided to Contractor by City and shall be due to City within thirty (30) days of the date such invoice is mailed by City, or on July 1, whichever comes later.

7.3 Section Reserved

7.4 Payment Schedule and Late Fees

In the event Contractor fails to timely make any of the payments provided for in Article 7 or any other provision of this Agreement, Contractor shall pay to City, as additional consideration for entering into this Agreement, a sum of money equal to five percent (5%) of the amount due. This amount is required in order to defray those additional expenses and costs incurred by City by reason of the late payment including, but not limited to, the cost of administering, accounting for, and collecting said late payment and the cost to City of postponing services and projects necessitated by the delay in receiving the revenue. In addition to any other remedy provided by law, any amounts not paid to City by Contractor within sixty (60) days of the due date shall be subject to interest in the amount of ten percent (10%) per annum, calculated on a daily basis for each day such sums remain past due.

7.5 Other Fees

City shall reserve the right to establish other fees, or negotiate changes to the Franchise Fee, AB 939/SB 1383 Regulatory Reimbursement and Administrative Fee beyond the regular annual adjustments described above as it deems necessary, to the extent that such further adjustments are also included in the adjustments to the approved Rates.

ARTICLE 8. CONTRACTOR'S COMPENSATION AND RATE SETTING

8.1 General

Contractor will perform the responsibilities and duties described in this Agreement in consideration of the right to receive compensation for services. Contractor Compensation provided for in this Article 8 shall be the full, entire, and complete compensation due to Contractor pursuant to this Agreement for all labor, equipment, materials and supplies, taxes, insurance, bonds, overhead, Disposal, Recycling, Processing, Transfer, profit, and all other things necessary to perform all the services required by this Agreement in the manner and at the times prescribed.

8.2 Initial Rates

1971 A. **General**. The Rates for the Rate Period ending June 30, 2023, shall not exceed those set forth in Exhibit D hereto, unless amended by a written amendment to this Agreement entered into by and between the City and the Contractor. Contractor has reviewed these maximum Rates and agrees

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they are reasonably expected to generate sufficient revenues to provide adequate Contractor Compensation. Unless and until the maximum Rates set forth on Exhibit D are adjusted, Contractor will provide the services required by this Agreement, charging no more than the maximum Rates authorized by Exhibit D, except as provided herein in this Article 8.

B. **Discount for Disabled or Low-Income Senior Customers**. Contractor shall develop and adopt a program to provide a discounted Rate for qualified disabled or low-income senior Customers. The program shall, at a minimum, meet the standards and conditions set forth in Exhibit L attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. If, at any time during the Term of this Agreement, the number of Customers receiving a discounted Rate pursuant to such a program exceeds one percent (1%) of the total number of Residential Customers receiving Collection services from Contractor, Contractor and City shall meet and confer in good faith to determine a fair and reasonable adjustment to the standards and conditions of the program and/or the maximum Rates for such Customers set forth in Exhibit D, in order to ensure that Contractor is fairly compensated for the additional costs incurred in continuing to provide the program.

8.3 Schedule of Future Adjustments

Beginning with Rate Period two (2) (July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024) and for all subsequent Rate Periods, Contractor or City may request an annual adjustment (increase or decrease) to the maximum Rates shown in Exhibit D, excepting that Contractor shall be entitled to those automatic adjustments in Rates as provided in Section 8.4.B hereof without notice to the City. For all inflationary adjustments extending beyond those set forth in Section 8.4.B, the Contractor shall submit notice in writing, to be received by City in person or via certified mail, by March 1 of the same year based on the method of adjustment described in Section 8.4. Failure to submit a written request by March 1, shall be conclusive as to Contractor's decision not to proceed with an increase for the subsequent year. If an adjustment results in a Rate decrease, then Contractor shall maintain the current Rates, and rollover the Rate decrease to the next Rate adjustment; the intent is to ensure subsequent Rate increases shall be offset with any decrease not previously implemented.

8.4 Method of Adjustments

- A. **General**. Pursuant to Section 8.3, Contractor may implement an annual adjustment to the Total Rate according to the formula shown in Exhibit E, subject to review and concurrence with Contractor's calculations. Additionally, Contractor may be entitled to a further adjustment to the service component for providing Mulch/Compost that may be requested by City in accordance with the requirements of Exhibit B4, Section 4.A.1.
 - 1. Indemnification. To the maximum extent allowed by law, Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City, their officers, employees, agents and volunteers, (collectively, Indemnitees) from and against all claims, damages, injuries, losses, costs, including demands, debts, liens, liabilities, causes of action, suits, legal or administrative proceedings, interest, fines, charges, penalties and expenses (including attorneys' and expert witness fees, expenditures for investigations, and administration) and costs or losses of any kind whatsoever paid, imposed upon, endured or suffered by or assessed against Contractor or any of the Indemnitees resulting in any form from the City's review and concurrence with Contractor's Rates for service under this Agreement or in connection with the application of California Constitution Articles XIIIC and Article XIIID to

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the imposition, payment or collection of Rates and fees for services provided by Contractor under this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this indemnity shall not extend to any loss arising directly from the negligence of City, its officers, and its employees. Nothing herein is intended to imply that California Constitution Articles XIIIC or XIIID apply to the setting of Rates for the services provided under this Agreement; rather, this Section 8.4.A.1 is provided merely to allocate risk of loss between the Parties.

B. Rate Adjustment Calculation.

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- 1. Annual Garbage and Trash Collection Index Adjustments to Service Component of Maximum Rates. Commencing on July 1, 2023, the service component associated with any of the maximum Rates as set forth in Exhibit D may be adjusted by Contractor, and such Rates may be adjusted by Contractor annually thereafter on each subsequent July 1 during the Term hereof (the "Adjustment Dates"), by multiplying such service component by a percentage equal to the average annual change in the Garbage and Trash Collection Index (GTCI) (CUUR0000SEHG02) in U.S. city average, all urban consumers, not seasonally adjusted, between the twelve (12) months ended December prior to the Adjustment Date and the twelve (12) months ended the prior December (the "GTCI Adjustment"). The GTCI Adjustment shall not exceed six percent (6%) for the July 1, 2023 adjustment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the GTCI Adjustment shall not exceed five percent (5%) in any given year starting with the adjustment effective July 1, 2024, and all years thereafter. At least forty-five (45) days prior to each Adjustment Date, Contractor shall provide the City Manager with a revised Exhibit D reflecting the GTCI Adjustment, along with data supporting the basis for its calculations, so that City may review and verify the accuracy of Contractor's calculations. No GTCI Adjustment shall become effective until the City Manager confirms the accuracy of Contractor's calculations and the submitted revised Exhibit D.
- 2. Annual Adjustments to Landfill Disposal Component of Maximum Rates. It is the intention of the Parties that the landfill Disposal component associated with any of the maximum Rates as set forth in Exhibit D shall be adjusted no more often than annually on each Adjustment Date such that they reflect each Customer's pro-rata share of any increase or decrease in the actual landfill Disposal (tipping) fees incurred by Contractor for Disposal of Solid Waste Collected pursuant to this Agreement. To arrive at an appropriate adjustment formula to satisfy this intent, Contractor warrants and represents that the "Landfill Disposal Component Tonnage Basis" set forth in Exhibit D is a fair estimate of the amount of Solid Waste generated and ultimately Disposed of by each applicable Customer and/or service type. In accordance with Article 6 of this Agreement, Contractor shall maintain and make available to the City and/or its auditor or examiner records and data relating to landfill Disposal costs incurred by Contractor and calculation of the Landfill Disposal Component Tonnage Basis applicable to each Customer and/or service type set forth on Exhibit D. If, at any time during the Term of this Agreement, the City Manager determines or agrees that, based on such records and data, the Landfill Disposal Component Tonnage Basis for any Customer and/or service type should be adjusted to more accurately reflect a fair estimate of Solid Waste generated and ultimately Disposed of by such Customer and/or service type, Exhibit D shall be revised accordingly. The initial maximum Rate associated with the landfill Disposal component for various services set forth in Exhibit D has been arrived at by multiplying the Landfill Disposal Component Tonnage Basis for each applicable Customer and/or service type by thirty-eight dollars and

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thirty-four cents (\$38.34) which is the per Ton tipping fee charged by the Orange County Landfill System as of July 1, 2022 (whereas of the Effective Date Solid Waste must be delivered for Disposal per the County Agreement). If prior to any Adjustment Date a change occurs in the tipping fees charged to Contractor by the landfill to which it delivers Solid Waste Collected hereunder, the landfill Disposal component associated with any of the maximum Rates set forth in Exhibit D shall be adjusted as of the Adjustment Date by similarly multiplying the Landfill Disposal Component Tonnage Basis for each applicable Customer and/or service type by the per Ton tipping fee then in effect, subject to the City Manager's verification and concurrence with Contractor's calculations. In the event an increase occurs in applicable landfill tipping fees at a time other than an annual Adjustment Date, Contractor may request an adjustment to the maximum Rates applicable to the landfill Disposal component set forth on Exhibit D pursuant to Section 8.5 hereof, subject to the City Manager's verification and concurrence with Contractor's calculations.

- 3. **Zero Percent (0%) or Decrease in Rate Adjustment Calculation**. If the Rate adjustment calculation is calculated to be zero percent (0%) or less, there shall be no changes to charges and Rates during the Rate Period corresponding the Rate adjustment calculation. In the case of a calculated Rate decrease, the amount of such decrease shall be carried forward as an offset to future Rate increases.
- 4. Source Separated Commercial Premises Recycling and Organic Materials Compensation Adjustment. Contractor shall provide Source Separated Recycling and Organic Materials services to Commercial Premises at Rates are listed in Exhibit D. The service component associated with the Source Separated Commercial Premises Recycling and Organic Materials services maximum Rates as set forth in Exhibit D may be adjusted by Contractor annually on each subsequent July 1 during the Term hereof (the "Adjustment Dates"), by multiplying such service component by a percentage equal to the change in the GTCI average for the twelve (12) month period ending on the date of January 31 immediately prior to the applicable Adjustment Date (the "GTCI Adjustment).

The GTCI Adjustment shall not exceed six percent (6%) for the July 1, 2023 adjustment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the GTCI Adjustment shall not exceed five percent (5%) starting with the adjustment effective July 1, 2024 and all years thereafter. At least forty-five (45) days prior to each Adjustment Date, Contractor shall provide the City Manager with data supporting the basis for its calculations, so that City may review and verify the accuracy of Contractor's calculations. No GTCI Adjustment shall become effective until the City Manager confirms the accuracy of Contractor's calculations and the submitted revised Exhibit D.

C. **Pass-Through of Surcharges**. Contractor may request a pass-through adjustment based on changes in a direct per Ton fee assessed at the Disposal Site by Federal, State, or local regulatory agencies after the Effective Date and City's approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

8.5 Extraordinary Adjustments

Contractor or City may request an adjustment to maximum Rates at reasonable times other than that allowed under Section 8.3 in the event of extraordinary changes in the cost of providing service under this Agreement, including requests related to Change in Law as defined in Exhibit A. Such changes shall not include changes in Recyclable Materials or Organic Waste Processing costs or, changes in the market

value of Recyclable Materials, inaccurate estimates by the Contractor of its proposed cost of operations, unionization of Contractor's work force, or change in wage rates or employee benefits. Extraordinary Rate adjustments may not be applied retroactively.

- 2109 For each request for an adjustment to the maximum Rates that Contractor may charge Customers
- brought pursuant to this Section 8.5 Contractor shall prepare a schedule documenting the extraordinary
- costs. Such request shall be prepared in a form acceptable to City with support for assumptions made by
- 2112 Contractor in preparing the estimate. Contractor shall also submit a schedule showing how its total costs
- and total revenues have changed over the past three (3) years for the services provided under this
- 2114 Agreement.

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- 2115 Contractor shall provide to City a report of its annual revenues and expenses for the services provided in
- 2116 the City, and City shall have right to audit this information in connection with the City's review of
- 2117 Contractor's Rate adjustment request. City may consider increases or decreases in the Contractor's total
- 2118 revenues and total cost of services when reviewing an extraordinary Rate adjustment request and City's
- 2119 determination will be final. A Rate adjustment request made in response to a new service requested by
- 2120 City will be determined in accordance with Section 3.6.

8.6 Limitations On Rate Adjustments

- 2122 At least forty-five (45) days prior to adjusting any Rate(s) charged to Customers, Contractor shall provide
- 2123 written notice to the City Manager of its intent to adjust such Rate(s) and the amount of such
- 2124 adjustment. Contractor shall be entitled to implement the intended adjustment to such Rate(s) unless
- 2125 the City Manager determines that the adjusted Rates will exceed the then-current maximum Rates as
- 2126 set forth on Exhibit D.

ARTICLE 9. INDEMNITY, INSURANCE, AND PERFORMANCE BOND

9.1 Indemnification

- 2131 A. General. Contractor shall indemnify, defend with counsel acceptable to City, and hold harmless 2132 (to the full extent permitted by law) City and its officers, officials, employees, volunteers, and 2133 agents from and against any and all claims, liability, loss, injuries, damage, expense, and costs 2134 (including without limitation costs and fees of litigation, including attorneys' and expert witness 2135 fees) (collectively, "Damages") of every nature arising out of or in connection with Contractor's 2136 performance, and the performance of any Subcontractor, or agent of Contractor, under this 2137 Agreement, or its failure to comply with any of its obligations contained in the Agreement, except 2138 to the extent such loss or damage was caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of City. This 2139 Section 9.1 shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement and shall not be 2140 construed as a waiver of City's legal and/or equitable rights as defined herein and permitted under 2141 Applicable Law.
- 2142 B. **Excluded Waste.** Contractor acknowledges that it is responsible for compliance during the entire Term of this Agreement with all Applicable Laws. Contractor shall not store, Transport, use, or Dispose of any Excluded Waste except in strict compliance with all Applicable Laws.

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If Contractor negligently or willfully mishandles Excluded Waste in the course of carrying out its activities under this Agreement, Contractor shall at its sole expense promptly take all investigatory and/or remedial action reasonably required for the remediation of such environmental contamination. Prior to undertaking any investigatory or remedial action, however, Contractor shall first obtain City's approval of any proposed investigatory or remedial action. Should Contractor fail at any time to promptly take such action, City may undertake such action at Contractor's sole cost and expense, and Contractor shall reimburse City for all such expenses within thirty (30) calendar days of being billed for those expenses, and any amount not paid within that thirty (30) calendar day period shall thereafter be deemed delinquent and subject to the delinquent fee payment provision of Section 7.4. These obligations are in addition to any defense and indemnity obligations that Contractor may have under this Agreement.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Contractor's duties under this Subsection shall not extend to any claims arising from the Disposal of Solid Waste at the Designated Disposal Facility, including, but not limited to, claims arising under Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) unless such claim is a direct result of Contractor's negligence or willful misconduct.

- C. Environmental Indemnity. Contractor shall defend with counsel acceptable to City, indemnify, and hold City harmless against and from any and all claims, suits, losses, penalties, damages, and liability for damages of every name, kind and description, including attorneys' fees and costs incurred, attributable to the negligence or willful misconduct of Contractor in handling Excluded Waste.
- 2166 D. Electronic and Web based Information Indemnity. Contractor shall defend with counsel 2167 acceptable to City, indemnify, and hold City harmless against and from any and all related claims, 2168 including but not limited to, suits, losses, penalties, damages, responsibility for costs, regulatory fines, penalties, credit monitoring expenses, and liability for damages of every name, kind and 2169 description, including attorneys' fees and costs incurred, attributable to the negligence or willful 2170 2171 misconduct of Contractor and any Subcontractors used in performance of this Agreement in handling or protecting Customer information over which Contractor has control, including but not 2172 2173 limited to billing details, electronic payment(s), and Customer account information that is not 2174 readily available to the general public. Contractor shall maintain electronic files and Contractor's 2175 website in accordance with the industry best practices for maintaining such information as safely and securely as possible. Nothing in this Section 9.1.D shall prevent or restrict Contractor's 2176 2177 obligation and responsibility to provide City with information required under this Agreement.
- E. Related to AB 939, AB 341, and SB 1383. Contractor's duty to defend and indemnify herein includes all fines and/or penalties imposed by CalRecycle, if the requirements of AB 939, AB 341, AB 1826, and/or SB 1383 are not met by the Contractor with respect to the Contractor's obligations under this Agreement, and such failure is: (i) due to the failure of Contractor to meet its obligations under this Agreement; or, (ii) due to Contractor delays in providing information that prevents Contractor or City from submitting reports to regulators in a timely manner. This indemnity is subject to the provisions of Public Resources Code § 40059.1.
- F. Related to Proposition 218. Should there be a Change in Law or a new judicial interpretation of Applicable Law, including, but not limited to, Article XIII C and D of the California Constitution (Commonly Proposition 218), which impacts the Rates for the Collection services established in

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accordance with this Agreement, Contractor agrees to meet and confer with City to discuss the impact of such Change in Law on either Party's ability to perform under this Agreement.

If, at any time, a Rate adjustment determined to be appropriate by both City and Contractor to compensate Contractor for increases in costs as described in this Agreement cannot be implemented for any reason, Contractor shall be granted the option to negotiate with City, in good faith, a reduction of services equal to the value of the Rate adjustment that cannot be implemented. If City and Contractor are unable to reach agreement about such a reduction in services, then Contractor may terminate this Agreement upon one (1) year's prior written notice to City, in which case the Contractor and City shall each be entitled to payment of amounts due for contract performance through the date of termination but otherwise will have no further obligation to one another unless this Agreement specifically states otherwise, after the date of such termination. Should a court of competent jurisdiction determine that the Contractor cannot charge and/or increase its Rates for charges related to Franchise Fees and governmental fees and charges, Contractor shall reduce the Rates it charges Customers a corresponding amount, providing said fees, reimbursements, Rates and/or charges disallowed by the court are not related to the cost of providing service hereunder and had been incorporated in the Rates charged by Contractor to its Customers.

Nothing herein is intended to imply that California Constitution, Articles XIIIC or XIIID, apply to the Rates established for services provided under this Agreement; rather this Section 9.1.F is provided merely to allocate risk of an adverse judicial interpretation between the Parties.

G. CalPERS Eligibility Indemnification. Contractor's employees, agents, or Subcontractors providing service under this Agreement shall not: (i) qualify for any compensation and benefit under CalPERS; (ii) be entitled to any benefits under CalPERS; (iii) enroll in CalPERS as an employee of City; (iv) receive any employer contributions paid by City for CalPERS benefits; or (v) be entitled to any other CalPERS-related benefit by reason of the services provided under this Agreement that would accrue to a City employee. Contractor's employees, agents, or Subcontractors hereby waive any claims to benefits or compensation described in this Section 9.1. This Section 9.1 applies to Contractor notwithstanding any other agency, State or Federal policy, rule, regulation, law, or ordinance to the contrary.

If Contractor's employees, agents, or Subcontractors providing services under this Agreement claim, or are determined by a court of competent jurisdiction or the California Public Employees Retirement System ("CalPERS") to be eligible for enrollment in CalPERS of the City, Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless City for the payment of any employer and employee contributions for CalPERS benefits on behalf of the employee as well as for payment of any penalties and interest on such contributions which would otherwise be the responsibility of the City.

Contractor's Compensation under this Agreement shall be the full and complete compensation to which Contractor and Contractor's officers, employees, agents, and Subcontractors are entitled for performance of any work under this Agreement. Neither Contractor nor Contractor's officers, employees, agents, and Subcontractors are entitled to any salary or wages, or retirement, health, leave or other fringe benefits applicable to City employees. The City will not make any Federal or State tax withholdings on behalf of Contractor. The City shall not be required to pay any workers' compensation insurance on behalf of Contractor.

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Contractor agrees to defend and indemnify the City for any obligation, claim, suit, or demand for tax, retirement contribution including any contribution to CalPERS, social security, salary or wages, overtime payment, or workers' compensation payment that the City may be required to make on behalf of: (1) Contractor; (2) any employee of Contractor; or, (3) any employee of Contractor construed to be an employee of the City, for work performed under this Agreement.

9.2 Insurance

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- A. General Requirements. Contractor shall, at its sole cost and expense, maintain in effect at all times during the Term of this Agreement not less than the following coverage and limits of insurance:
- B. Coverages and Requirements. During the Term of this Agreement, Contractor shall at all times maintain, at its expense, the following coverages and requirements. Failure to maintain the identified insurance requirements during the entire Term of this Agreement shall constitute an event of default subject to Section 11.1.C. The comprehensive general liability insurance shall include broad form property damage insurance.
 - 1. **Minimum Coverages.** Insurance coverage shall be with limits not less than the following:
 - a. <u>Comprehensive General Liability</u> \$10,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage.
 - b. <u>Automobile Liability</u> \$10,000,000 combined single limit per accident for bodily injury and property damage (include coverage for Hired and Non-owned vehicles).
 - c. <u>Workers' Compensation</u> Statutory Limits/Employers' Liability \$1,000,000/accident for bodily injury or disease.
 - d. <u>Employee Blanket Fidelity Bond</u> \$500,000 per employee loss covering dishonesty, forgery, alteration, theft, disappearance, and destruction (inside or outside).
 - Pollution Liability \$10,000,000 per loss and annual aggregate applicable to bodily injury; property damage, including loss of use of damaged property or of property that has not been physically damaged or destroyed; clean-up costs, including first party cleanup of the City's property and third party cleanup, and bodily injury costs if pollutants impact other properties; and defense, including costs, fees and expenses incurred in the investigation, defense, or resolution of claims. Coverage shall include completed operations and shall apply to sudden and non-sudden pollution conditions. Coverage shall apply to acts, errors or omissions arising out of, or in connection with, Contractor's scope of work under this Agreement. Coverage shall also apply to non-owned deposit sites ("NODS") that shall protect against, for example, claims regarding bodily injury, property damage, and/or cleanup costs involving NODS. Coverage is preferred by the City to be occurrence based. However, if provided on a claims-made basis, Contractor warrants that any retroactive date applicable to coverage under the policy precedes the Effective Date of this Agreement, and that continuous coverage shall be maintained, or an extended discovery period will be exercised through completion or termination of this Agreement for a minimum of five (5) years. This provision does not limit or alter any rights or remedies to City allowable under this Agreement and/or Applicable Law in perpetuity.

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f. Technology Professional Liability Errors and Omissions Insurance (Cyber Liability) appropriate to the Contractor's profession and industry practice, with limits not less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence. Coverage for cyber risks shall be sufficiently broad to respond to the duties and obligations as are undertaken by Contractor under this Agreement and shall include, but not be limited to claims involving infringement of intellectual property, including but not limited to infringement of copyright, trademark, trade dress, invasion of privacy violations, information theft, damage to or destruction of electronic information, release of private information, alteration of electronic information, extortion, and network security. The policy shall provide coverage for breach response notification and remediation costs, regulatory fines and penalties, credit monitoring expenses, electronic funds transfer losses, electronic data restoration expenses, and business interruption costs with limits sufficient to respond to these obligations, in the sole discretion of the City's Risk Manager.

- 2. **Additional Insured**. City, its officers, agents, employees, and volunteers shall be named as additional insured on all but the workers' compensation and professional liability coverages.
- 3. Said policies shall remain in force through the life of this Agreement and, with the exception of professional liability coverage, shall be payable on a "per occurrence" basis unless City's Risk Manager specifically consents in writing to a "claims made" basis. For all "claims made" coverage, if the Contractor changes insurance carriers Contractor shall purchase "tail" coverage or otherwise provide for continuous coverage covering the Term of this Agreement and not less than three (3) years thereafter, except for the five (5) year tail of Pollution Liability Coverage as described above. Proof of such "tail" or other continuous coverage shall be required at any time that the Contractor changes to a new carrier prior to receipt of any payments due.
- 4. The Contractor shall declare all aggregate limits on the coverage before commencing performance of this Agreement, and City's Risk Manager reserves the right to require higher aggregate limits to ensure that the coverage limits required for this Agreement as set forth above are available throughout the performance of this Agreement.
- 5. The deductibles or self-insured retentions are for the account of Contractor and shall be the sole responsibility of the Contractor.
- 6. Each insurance policy shall provide or be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled by either Party, reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, has been given to the City Manager ten (10) Business Days for delinquent insurance premium payments).
- 7. Insurance must be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A-VII, or with a surplus line carrier appearing on the List of Approved Surplus Line Insurers, ("LASLI") with a Best's Key Rating Guide of at least A: X.
- 2312 8. The policies shall cover all activities of Contractor, its officers, employees, agents and volunteers arising out of or in connection with this Agreement.
- 9. For any claims relating to this Agreement, the Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary, including as respects City, its officers, agents, employees, and volunteers. Any

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insurance maintained by City shall apply in excess of, and not contribute with, insurance provided by Contractor's liability insurance policy.

- The Contractor shall waive all rights of subrogation against City, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers.
- C. Endorsements. Prior to the Effective Date pursuant to this Agreement, Contractor shall furnish
 City Manager with certificates or original endorsements reflecting coverage required by this
 Agreement. The certificates or endorsements are to be signed by a Person authorized by that
 insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. All certificates or endorsements are to be received by, and
 are subject to the approval of, City Risk Manager before work commences.
- D. Renewals. During the Term of this Agreement, Contractor shall furnish City Manager with certificates or original endorsements reflecting renewals, changes in insurance companies, and any other documents reflecting the maintenance of the required coverage throughout the entire Term of this Agreement. The certificates or endorsements are to be signed by a Person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf.
- 2330 E. **No Cap on Indemnity.** The minimum amounts of coverage described in this Section 9.2 will not constitute any limitations or cap on Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Agreement.
- F. Workers' Compensation. Contractor shall provide workers' compensation coverage as required by State law and shall comply with Section 3700 of the State Labor Code.

9.3 Faithful Performance Bond or Irrevocable Letter of Credit

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- 2336 Α. Contemporaneously with execution of this Agreement, as security for Contractor's faithful performance of all obligations of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide a surety mechanism 2337 (the "Surety") as more fully defined below in the amount of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand 2338 2339 Dollars (\$2,500,000.00). The Surety may be comprised of either a performance bond or an 2340 irrevocable letter of credit, or a combination of both. If a letter of credit is utilized to satisfy some 2341 or all of the Surety requirement it shall be drawn upon a financial institution with an office within 2342 fifty (50) miles of City, and otherwise in a form acceptable to the City Attorney. The performance bond, if any, shall be issued by a duly authorized corporate surety company authorized to do 2343 2344 business in California, and in a form acceptable to the City Attorney and in full compliance with 2345 the provisions of California Code of Civil Procedure Sections 995.610 – 995.660 re Admitted Surety 2346 Insurers. The cost of the Surety shall be the sole obligation of Contractor. The Surety shall be 2347 released within thirty (30) days after both: (i) the expiration of the Term of this Agreement; and, 2348 (ii) Contractor's satisfactory performance of all obligations hereunder.
- B. In the event Contractor shall for any reason become unable to, or fail in any way to, perform as required by this Agreement, City and/or District may declare a portion or all of the Surety, as may be necessary to recompense and make whole the City and/or District, forfeited to the City and/or District. Upon partial or full forfeiture of the Surety, Contractor shall restore the Surety to its original amount within thirty (30) days of the City's and/or District's notice to do so. Failure to restore the Surety to its full amount within thirty (30) days shall be a material breach of this Agreement.

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2356 C. District providing Contractor with written notice of its failure to pay City and/or District any amount owing under this Agreement, either the letter of credit or performance bond comprising the Surety may be utilized by City and/or District for purposes including, but not limited to:

- 1. Payment of sums due under the terms of this Agreement which Contractor has failed to timely pay to City and/or District, including specifically, but not limited to, Liquidated Damages.
- 2. Reimbursement of costs borne by City and/or District to correct violations of this Agreement not corrected by Contractor.
- D. City and/or District may draw upon the entire letter of credit (if any) utilized to meet Contractor's obligations pertaining to the Surety, and convert it to a cash deposit, if Contractor fails to cause the letter of credit to be extended or replaced with another satisfactory letter of credit no later than sixty (60) days prior to its expiration.

9.4 Forfeiture of Performance Bond or Irrevocable Letter of Credit

In the event Contractor shall for any reason become unable to, or fail in any way to, perform as required by this Agreement, City may declare a portion or all of the performance bond or irrevocable letter of credit which is necessary to recompense and make whole the City, forfeited to the City. Upon partial or full forfeiture of the performance bond or irrevocable letter of credit, Contractor shall restore the performance bond or irrevocable letter of credit to its face amount within thirty (30) days of the City's declaration. Failure to restore the performance bond or irrevocable letter of credit to its full amount within thirty (30) days shall be a material breach of the Agreement.

9.5 Performance Security Beyond Service Term

Some Agreement requirements extend beyond the Term of this Agreement and will not be substantiated until after the final service date. Therefore, the Contractor shall not terminate the performance bond or letter of credit and will renew them to ensure continuous availability to the City, until receiving a written release from the City. City will provide such a release when City, in its reasonable judgment, is fully satisfied that all requirements have been met. However, permission from the City to discontinue holding these performance securities does not relieve Contractor of payments to the City that may be due or may become due.

ARTICLE 10. CITY'S RIGHT TO PERFORM SERVICE

10.1 General

In the event that Contractor, for any reason whatsoever, fails, refuses or is unable to Collect, Recycle, Process, Transport or Dispose of any or all Discarded Materials which it is required by this Agreement, at the time and in the manner provided in this Agreement, for a period of more than two (2) Business Days, excluding Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays defined in Exhibit A, and if, as a result thereof, Discarded Materials should accumulate in City to such an extent, in such a manner, or for such a time that such accumulation endangers or menaces the public health, safety or welfare, then City shall have the right, but not the obligation, upon twenty-four (24) hours prior written notice to Contractor during the period of such emergency as determined by City: (1) to perform, or cause to be performed, such services itself

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with its own or other personnel without liability to Contractor; and/or, (2) to take possession of any or

- 2396 all of Contractor's land, equipment, and other property used or useful in the Collection and
- 2397 Transportation of Discarded Materials, and to use such property to Collect and Transport any Discarded
- 2398 Materials generated within City which Contractor would otherwise be obligated to Collect, Transport,
- 2399 and properly Dispose of or Process pursuant to this Agreement.
- 2400 Notice of Contractor's failure, refusal, or neglect to Collect, Transport and properly Dispose of or Process
- 2401 Discarded Materials may be given orally by telephone to Contractor at its principal office and shall be
- 2402 effective immediately. Written confirmation of such oral notification shall be sent to Contractor within
- one (1) Business Day, excluding Saturday, Sunday and Holidays defined in Exhibit A of the oral
- 2404 notification.

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- 2405 Contractor further agrees that in such event:
- 2406 A. It will take direction from City to affect the transfer of possession of equipment and property to City for City's use, or for use by any Person or entity designated by the City.
- 2408 B. It will, if City so requests, keep in good repair and condition all of such equipment and property, 2409 provide all motor vehicles with fuel, oil and other service, and provide such other service as may 2410 be necessary to maintain said property in operational condition.
- C. City may immediately engage all or any personnel, including 3rd parties not directly employed by the City, necessary or useful for the Collection and Transportation of Discarded Materials, including, if City so desires, employees previously or then employed by Contractor. Contractor further agrees, if City so requests, to furnish City the services of any or all management or office personnel employed by Contractor whose services are necessary or useful for Discarded Materials Collection, Transportation, Processing, and Disposal operations and for the Billing and collection of fees for these services.
- 2418 City agrees that it assumes complete responsibility for the proper and normal use of such equipment
- 2419 and Facilities while in its possession.
- 2420 If the interruption or discontinuance in service is caused by any of the reasons listed in Section 11.7, City
- shall pay to Contractor the reasonable rental value of the equipment and Facilities, possession of which
- 2422 is taken by City, for the period of City's possession, if any, which extends beyond the period of time for
- 2423 which Contractor has rendered bills in advance of service, for the class of service involved.
 - 10.2 Temporary Possession of Contractor's Property
- 2425 If City suffers an interruption or discontinuance of service (including interruptions and discontinuance
- due to events described in Section 11.7), City may take possession of and use all of Contractor's property
- 2427 described above until other suitable arrangements can be made for the provision of Discarded Materials
- 2428 Services which may include the grant of a Franchise to another waste hauling company.
- 2429 10.3 Billing and Compensation to City During City's Possession
- 2430 During such time that City is providing Discarded Materials services, as above provided, Contractor shall
- bill and Collect payment from all users of the above-mentioned services as described in Section 4.6.
- 2432 Contractor further agrees that, in such event, it shall reimburse City for any and all costs and expenses

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- 2433 incurred by City beyond that billed and received by City in taking over possession of the above-
- 2434 mentioned equipment and property for Discarded Materials service in such manner and to an extent as
- 2435 would otherwise be required of Contractor under the Terms of this Agreement. Such reimbursement
- shall be made from time to time after submission by City to Contractor of each statement listing such
- 2437 costs and expenses, but in no event later than five (5) Business Days from and after each such
- 2438 submission.

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10.4 City's Right to Relinquish Possession

- 2440 It is further mutually agreed that City may at any time at its discretion relinquish possession of any or all
- of the above-mentioned property to Contractor and thereupon demand that Contractor resume the
- 2442 Discarded Materials services as provided in this Agreement, whereupon Contractor shall be bound to
- resume the same.

2444 10.5 City's Possession Not A Taking

- 2445 Except as otherwise expressly provided in the previous paragraph, City's exercise of its rights under this
- 2446 Article 10: (1) does not constitute a taking of private property for which compensation must be paid;
- 2447 (2) will not create any liability on the part of City to Contractor; and, (3) does not exempt Contractor
- 2448 from any of the indemnity and insurance provisions of this Agreement, which are meant to extend to
- 2449 circumstances arising under this Section 10.5 provided that the Contractor is not required to indemnify
- 2450 the City against claims and damages arising from the sole negligence of the City, its elected and
- appointed officials, boards, commissions, officers, employees and agents in the operation of Collection
- vehicles during the time the City has taken possession of such vehicles.

10.6 Duration of City's Possession

- 2454 City's right pursuant to this Article 10 to retain temporary possession of Contractor's Facilities and
- 2455 equipment, and to render Collection services, shall terminate when City determines that such services
- can be resumed by Contractor, or when City no longer reasonably requires such property or equipment.
- 2457 In any case, City has no obligation to maintain possession of Contractor's property or equipment and/or
- 2458 continue its use for any period of time and may at any time, in its sole discretion, relinquish possession
- 2459 to Contractor.

10.7 Disaster Preparedness Plan

- 2461 Within twelve (12) months of the Effective Date, Contractor shall, with City assistance, prepare a written
- 2462 plan detailing how Discarded Materials services will be delivered in a time of emergency or natural
- 2463 disaster. For the plan, City shall provide Contractor with a written list of critical Facilities being those
- 2464 Facilities that the City deems in need of special consideration in a time of emergency because they are
- critical to City's emergency response, of priority to the need of the community and/or represent a public
- 2466 health risk to the community. Contractor's written plan shall contain a protocol for contacting
- 2467 Contractor management in the event of an emergency, an overview of Contractor's resources available
- 2468 for emergency response, a plan for Collection, Disposal, and Recycling of Discarded Materials generated
- by critical Facilities until the time of emergency passes and a plan for resuming normal operations
- 2470 following an emergency.
- 2471 In the event of a disaster, the City may grant Contractor a waiver of some or all Collection requirements
- 2472 under this Agreement and 14 CCR, Division 7, Chapter 12, Article 3 in the disaster-affected areas for the

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duration of the waiver. Any resulting changes in Collection requirements shall be addressed as a change in scope in accordance with Section 3.6.

ARTICLE 11. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

11.1 Events of Default

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- All provisions of the Agreement are considered material. Each of the following shall constitute an event of default.
- 2480 A. **Fraud or Deceit.** Contractor practices, or attempts to practice, any fraud or deceit upon the City.
- 2481 B. **Insolvency or Bankruptcy.** Contractor becomes insolvent, unable, or unwilling to pay its debts, or upon listing of an order for relief in favor of Contractor in a bankruptcy proceeding.
- 2483 C. **Failure to Maintain Coverage.** Contractor fails to provide or maintain in full force the workers' compensation, insurance coverage required by Section 9.2, or indemnification coverage as required by this Agreement.
- D. Violations of Regulation. Contractor violates any orders or filings of any regulatory body having authority over Contractor relative to this Agreement, which violation the City reasonably determines is material. If Contractor contests any such orders or filings by appropriate proceedings conducted in good faith, and the regulatory body determines no violation occurred, no breach or default of this Agreement shall be deemed to have occurred.
- 2491 E. **Violations of Applicable Law.** Contractor violates Applicable Law relative to this Agreement, which violation the City reasonably determines is material.
- F. Failure to Perform Direct Services. Contractor ceases to provide Collection, Transportation, or Processing services as required under this Agreement for a period of two (2) consecutive calendar days or more, for any reason within the control of Contractor.
- 2496 G. **Failure to Pay or Report.** Contractor fails to make any payments to City required under this Agreement including payment of City Fees or Liquidated Damages and/or refuses to provide City with required information, reports, and/or records in a timely manner as provided for in the Agreement.
- H. Acts or Omissions. Any other act or omission by Contractor which violates the terms, conditions, or requirements of this Agreement, or Applicable Law and which is not corrected or remedied within the time set in the written notice of the violation. Additionally, an event of default occurs if Contractor cannot reasonably correct or remedy the breach within the time set forth in a notice of violation, or if Contractor fails to commence to correct or remedy such violation within the time set forth in such notice and diligently effect such correction or remedy thereafter.
- 2506 I. **False, Misleading, or Inaccurate Statements.** Any representation or disclosure made to the City by Contractor in connection with or as an inducement to entering into this Agreement, or any future amendment to this Agreement, which proves to be false or misleading in any material respect as of the time such representation or disclosure is made, whether or not any such representation or

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disclosure appears as part of this Agreement. Additionally, a default occurs if any Contractorprovided report contains a misstatement, misrepresentation, data manipulation, or an omission of fact or content explicitly defined by the Agreement, excepting non-numerical typographical and grammatical errors.

- J. **Seizure or Attachment.** There is a seizure of, attachment of, or levy on, some or all of Contractor's operating equipment, including without limits its equipment, maintenance or office facilities, Approved Facility(ies), or any part thereof.
- 2517 K. **Suspension or Termination of Service.** There is any termination or suspension of the transaction of business by Contractor related to this Agreement, including without limit, due to labor unrest including strike, work stoppage or slowdown, sick-out, picketing, or other concerted job action lasting more than seven (7) calendar days for Residential Customers and three (3) calendar days for Commercial Customers.
- L. **Criminal Activity.** Contractor, its officers, managers, or employees are found guilty of criminal activity related directly or indirectly to performance of this Agreement or any other agreement held with the City.
- 2525 M. **Assignment without Approval.** Contractor transfers or assigns this Agreement without the expressed written approval of the City unless the assignment is permitted without City approval pursuant to Section 13.6.
- N. Failure to Provide Proposal or Implement Change in Service. Contractor fails to provide a proposal for new services or changes to services or fails to implement a change in service as requested by the City as specified in Section 3.5.
- 2531 O. **Failure to Implement Collection Program.** Contractor fails to implement a Collection program that complies with the requirements of Article 4 and Exhibit B, which is essential for the City to achieve compliance with SB 1383.
- P. Failure to Provide Processing Capacity. Contractor fails to provide adequate Processing capacity in accordance with Articles 4 and 5, which is essential for the City to achieve compliance with SB 1383.
- Q. **Failure to Achieve Processing Standards.** Contractor fails to achieve the Processing standards specified in Articles 4 and 5 including achievement of minimum Organic Waste recovery rates, which are essential for the City to achieve SB 1383 compliance.
- 2540 R. **Failure to Comply with Other Requirements of SB 1383.** Contractor fails to comply with other requirements of the Agreement including, but not limited to, public education, reporting, contamination monitoring, recordkeeping and reporting, or other obligations of this Agreement that delegate the City's responsibility and/or authority under SB 1383 to the Contractor.
- 2544 S. **Failure to Dispose of Solid Waste at the Designed Disposal Facility.** Contractor fails to Dispose of all Solid Waste Collected within the City unless the Designated Disposal Facility is no longer required or in the event that the Designated Disposal Facility is not available.

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T. Failure to Perform Any Obligation. Contractor fails to perform any obligation established under this Agreement, which the City reasonably determines is material.

2549 City shall provide Contractor written notice of default within seven (7) calendar days of the City's first knowledge of the Contractor's default.

11.2 Contractor's Right to Cure; Right to Terminate Upon Event of Default

- 2552 Contractor shall be given two (2) Business Days from written notification by the City Manager or as 2553 otherwise agreed to in writing by the Parties to cure any default which, in the City Manager's sole
- 2553 Otherwise agreed to in writing by the rathes to care any default which, in the
- opinion, creates a potential public health and safety threat.
- 2555 Contractor shall be given two (2) Business Days from written notification by the City Manager or as
- otherwise agreed to in writing by the Parties to cure any default arising under Subsections C, D, E, F, G,
- 2557 H, J, K, N, O, P, Q, R, S, and T in Section 11.1. However, the City shall not be obligated to provide
- 2558 Contractor with a notice and cure opportunity if the Contractor has committed the same breach/default
- within a twenty-four (24) month period. It is expressly understood that Contractor is not entitled to
- 2560 receive notice of default, or to cure such default, with respect to those matters listed in Subsections A,
- 2561 B, I, L, and M above.

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- 2562 Contractor shall be given thirty (30) calendar days from written notification by the City Manager to cure
- any other default (which is not required to be cured within two (2) Business Days). Furthermore, if
- 2564 Contractor cannot reasonably cure a default within the applicable period described in this Section 11.2,
- 2565 except for defaults that create a potential health and safety threat, and Contractor promptly
- commences the cure or remedy within the initial cure period and thereafter diligently pursues the cure
- 2567 or remedy to completion, Contractor shall not be in default of this Agreement. However, the City shall
- 2568 not be obligated to provide Contractor with a notice and cure opportunity if the Contractor has
- committed the same or similar breach/default within a twenty-four (24) month period.

11.3 City's Remedies in the Event of Default

performance standards pursuant to Section 11.6.

- 2571 Upon Contractor's default, City has the following remedies in the event of Contractor default:
- A. Waiver of Default. City may waive any event of default or may waive Contractor's requirement to
- cure a default event if City determines that such waiver would be in the best interest of the City.
- 2574 City's waiver of an event of default is not a waiver of future events of default that may have the
- 2575 same or similar conditions.
- 2576 B. **Suspension of Contractor's Obligation.** City may suspend Contractor's performance of its obligations if Contractor fails to cure default in the time frame specified in Section 11.2 until such
- 2577 obligations if Contractor fails to cure default in the time frame specified in Section 11.2 until sucl 2578 time the Contractor can provide assurance of performance in accordance with Section 11.8.
- 2579 C. **Liquidated Damages.** City may assess Liquidated Damages for Contractor's failure to meet specific
- D. **Termination.** The City Manager may, in their sole discretion, set a public hearing for the City Council to determine whether to terminate this Agreement. Subject to Contractor's right to cure as described in Section 11.2, such termination hearing must be set if a default remains uncured thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of written notice of default from the City. Such termination

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hearing must also be set if a Contractor's default is not cured within two (2) calendar days and the default:

o Creates an imminent public health and safety threat; or

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o Arises under Section 11.1. C, D, E, F, G, J, K, N, O, P, Q, R, S, and T.

If the City terminates this Agreement based on the adopted findings of the termination hearing, the City Manager shall first provide written notice to the Contractor twenty (20) calendar days before the date of termination. The Contractor shall thereafter be relieved on a going-forward basis of all liabilities and obligations required by this Agreement, except for Section 9.1 and any other provisions specifically identified to survive termination of this Agreement. Upon expiration of the twenty (20) day notice, the City may, in its sole discretion:

- Directly undertake performance of the services; or
- Arrange with other Persons to perform the services with or without a written agreement; or
- 2597 o Permit Contractor to continue operating under this Agreement including Contractor's Compensation until such time that City is able to find substitute services.

This right of termination is in addition to any other rights upon a failure of Contractor to perform its obligations under this Agreement.

- Contractor shall not be entitled to any further revenues from Collection operations authorized hereunder from and after the date of termination.
- 2603 E. **Other Available Remedies.** City's election of one (1) or more remedies described herein shall not limit the City from any and all other remedies at law and in equity including injunctive relief, etc.

11.4 Possession of Records Upon Termination

In the event of termination for an event of default, the Contractor shall furnish City Manager with immediate access to its business records in a format compatible with the City's computer systems, including without limitation, Customer information that is not restricted by Applicable Law, Collection routes, compliance records, and billing of accounts for Collection services.

11.5 City's Remedies Cumulative; Specific Performance

- City's rights to terminate the Agreement under Section 11.2 and to take possession of the Contractor's records under Section 11.4 are not exclusive, and City's termination of the Agreement and/or the
- 2613 imposition of Liquidated Damages shall not constitute an election of remedies. Instead, these rights shall
- be in addition to any and all other legal and equitable rights and remedies which City may have.
- By virtue of the nature of this Agreement, the urgency of timely, continuous, and high-quality service;
- 2616 the lead time required to effect alternative service; and, the rights granted by City to the Contractor, the
- 2617 remedy of damages for a breach hereof by Contractor is inadequate and City shall be entitled to
- injunctive relief (including but not limited to specific performance).

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11.6 Performance Standards and Liquidated Damages

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A. General. The Parties find that as of the time of the execution of this Agreement, it is impractical, if not impossible, to reasonably ascertain the extent of damages which shall be incurred by City as a result of a breach by Contractor of its obligations under this Agreement. The factors relating to the impracticability of ascertaining damages include, but are not limited to, the fact that: (i) substantial damage results to members of the public who are denied services or denied quality or reliable service; (ii) such breaches cause inconvenience, anxiety, frustration, and deprivation of the benefits of the Agreement to individual members of the general public for whose benefit this Agreement exists, in subjective ways and in varying degrees of intensity which are incapable of measurement in precise monetary terms; (iii) that exclusive services might be available at substantially lower costs than alternative services and the monetary loss resulting from denial of services or denial of quality or reliable services is impossible to calculate in precise monetary terms; and, (iv) the termination of this Agreement for such breaches, and other remedies are, at best, a means of future correction and not remedies which make the public whole for past breaches.

Service Performance Standards; Liquidated Damages for Failure to Meet Standards. The Parties В. further acknowledge that consistent, reliable Collection services are of utmost importance to City and that City has considered and relied on Contractor's representations regarding its quality-ofservice commitment in awarding the Agreement to it. The Parties recognize that some quantified standards of performance are necessary and appropriate to ensure consistent and reliable service and performance. The Parties further recognize that if Contractor fails to achieve the performance standards or fails to submit required documents in a timely manner, City and its residents and businesses will suffer damages, and that it is, and will be, impractical and extremely difficult to ascertain and determine the exact amount of damages that City will suffer. Therefore, without prejudice to City's right to treat such non-performance as an event of default under this Section 11.6, the Parties agree that the Liquidated Damages amounts established in this Section 11.6 of this Agreement and the Liquidated Damage amounts therein represent a reasonable estimate of the amount of such damages considering all of the circumstances existing on the Effective Date of this Agreement, including the relationship of the sums to the range of harm to City that reasonably could be anticipated and the anticipation that proof of actual damages would be costly or impractical.

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Contractor agrees to pay (as Liquidated Damages and not as a penalty) the amounts set forth below:

1. Collection Reliability.

- a. For each failure to commence service to a new Customer account within seven (7) days after order: \$100.00 per occurrence
- b. For each failure to Collect Discarded Materials, which has been properly set out for Collection: \$100.00 per occurrence

2659 For each failure to correct and Collect a missed service within the timeframe set forth 2660 in Section 4.7.B.2: \$100.00 per occurrence; 2661 each additional twenty-four (24) hour period: \$50.00 per occurrence. 2662 For each failure to comply with the provisions in Section 11.7 Contractor's Actions 2663 During a Work Stoppage: \$1,000 per day 2664 For each failure to Collect Abandoned Waste within four (4) days of notification by the City per Exhibit B4, Item 8A: \$100 per occurrence. 2665 2666 2. **Collection Quality.** 2667 For failure to properly return empty Containers to avoid pedestrian or vehicular 2668 traffic impediments or to place Containers upright which exceeds ten (10) Containers 2669 annually: 2670 \$50.00 per Container 2671 b. For each occurrence of excessive noise or discourteous behavior which exceed ten 2672 (10) occurrences annually: 2673 \$100.00 per occurrence 2674 For each occurrence of Collecting Discarded Materials during unauthorized hours which exceeds ten (10) such occurrences annually: \$100.00 per occurrence 2675 2676 For each occurrence of damage to private property which exceeds five (5) such 2677 occurrences annually: \$100.00 per occurrence For each failure to clean up Discarded Materials spilled from Collection Containers 2678 within ninety (90) minutes that exceeds ten (10) such failures annually: 2679 \$100.00 per occurrence 2680 2681 For each failure to clean up vehicle leaks or spills within the timeframe required by \$500 per occurrence 2682 Section 5.5.E: 2683 For each failure to follow the cleanup procedures included in Section 5.5.E: g. 2684 \$500 per square foot of affected area 3. 2685 **Customer Responsiveness.** 2686 For each failure to initially respond to a Customer Complaint within one (1) Business Day (excluding Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays as defined in Exhibit A), and for each 2687 additional day in which the Complaint is not addressed, which exceed five (5) 2688 2689 annually: \$50.00 per day 2690 For each failure to process Customer Complaints as required by Article 4, which 2691 exceed five (5) annually: \$50.00 per occurrence 2692 For each failure to record a response to a Customer Complaint or request within 2693 twenty-four (24) hours of resolution: \$100.00 per occurrence 2694 For each additional twenty-four (24) hour period: \$50.00 per occurrence 2695 For each failure to respond to a written inquiry from the City's Solid Waste contract 2696 manager regarding service requests or requests for information within two (2)

2697 Business Days (excluding Saturday, Sunday and Holidays defined in Exhibit A), and for 2698 each additional day in which the inquiry is not addressed, which exceed five (5) 2699 occurrences annually: \$100 per occurrence 2700 For each failure to remove graffiti from Containers, or to replace with Containers 2701 bearing no graffiti, within two (2) Business Days (excluding Saturday, Sunday, and 2702 Holidays defined in Exhibit A) of request from City or Customer: \$ 50.00 per day 2703 For each additional day problem not resolved: \$25.00 per day 2704 f. For each failure to repair or replace a damaged or missing Container within two (2) 2705 Business Days (excluding Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays defined in Exhibit A) of request from City or Customer: \$ 50.00 per day 2706 2707 For each failure to process a claim for damages within thirty (30) days from the date 2708 submitted to Contractor: \$100.00 per occurrence 2709 For each failure to issue a warning notice to a Container or materials not Collected 2710 due to improper set out which exceeds ten (10) such occurrences annually: 2711 \$100 per day per occurrence 2712 4. Failure to Submit Reports or Allow Access to Records. For each failure to submit any individual report or provide access to records in compliance with and in the timeframe 2713 2714 specified in this Agreement. Incomplete and/or inaccurate reports shall be considered a 2715 failure to submit until such time as all information in the report has been provided in a 2716 complete and accurate form. In the event City determines a report to be errant or 2717 incomplete more than ten (10) Business Days after submittal by Contractor, Contractor shall be given ten (10) Business Days to complete and correct and any pending Liquidated 2718 2719 Damages shall be tolled during that period. 2720 Monthly Reports: \$50 per day a. 2721 b. Quarterly Reports: \$50 per day 2722 Annual Reports: \$100 per day 2723 5. Accuracy of Billing. 2724 Each Customer invoice that is not prepared in accordance with the City's approved 2725 Rate schedule, in excess of ten (10) annually: \$25 per invoice not to exceed \$2,500 per Billing run 2726 2727 For each instance or invoice in which Contractor imposes a special service fee not in 2728 accordance with the approved Rate schedule and not approved in advance in writing 2729 by City, or not requested by the service recipient which exceeds ten (10) such 2730 occurrences annually: \$50 per occurrence Failure to provide a Customer with a response, including an explanation and/or 2731 2732 correction, to a Billing Complaint within seven (7) Business Days from the Complaint: 2733 \$100.00 per occurrence 2734 Each additional day response not provided: \$50.00

2735 6. **Public Education and Outreach.** 2736 Failure to perform public education and outreach activities: 2737 1st violation - \$50 per occurrence 2nd violation - \$100 per occurrence 2738 2739 3rd and subsequent violations - \$250 per occurrence 7. 2740 **Cooperation with Service Provider Transition.** 2741 For each day routing information requested by City in accordance with Section 13.10 2742 is received after City-established due dates, both for preparation of a request for 2743 proposals and for new service provider's implementation of service: \$1,000 per day 2744 For each day delivery of keys, access codes, remote controls, or other means of access to Discarded Materials Containers is delayed beyond one (1) day prior to new 2745 2746 service provider servicing Customers with access issues, as described in Section 13.10: \$1,000 per day 2747 2748 For delay in not meeting the requirements contained in Section 13.10 in a timely 2749 manner, in addition to the daily Liquidated Damages for breach under 7(a) and 7(b) 2750 above, Liquidated Damages of: \$20,000 per occurrence 8. **Diversion Efforts.** 2751 2752 For each Rate Period (January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2024, considered the first 2753 Rate Period) in which Contractor fails to provide support to the City within thirty (30) days of year-end, documenting that it Diverted at least twenty percent (20%) of the 2754 Discarded Materials Contractor Collected under this Agreement per Section 5.10: 2755 2756 \$25 for each Ton below Tonnage level necessary to meet twenty percent (20%) 2757 Diversion goal SB 1383 Requirements. Failure to meet SB 1383 requirements set forth below: 2758 9. 2759 Use of Unauthorized Facilities. For each individual occurrence of delivering Discarded 2760 Materials to a Facility other than an Approved Facility(ies) for each Discarded 2761 Material type under this Agreement. 2762 1st violation - \$50 per Ton per offence 2nd violation - \$100 per Ton per offence 2763 2764 3rd and subsequent violations - \$250 per Ton per offence 2765 Failure to Implement three- /three-plus Container System. For each occurrence of failing to provide Customers with the three-/three-plus Container system required 2766 by and compliant with SB 1383 excluding Generators and Customers granted waivers 2767 2768 pursuant to this Agreement and excluding Generators and Customers that 2769 demonstrate compliance with Recycling and Organic Waste Self-Hauling requirements pursuant to Section 5.10.080 of District's Code of Regulations and 14 2770 2771 CCR Division 7, Article 12, Article 7. Minor, moderate and major violations have the

same meaning as defined in 14 CCR Section 18997.3

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2nd violation - \$100 per Ton per offence

3rd and subsequent violations - \$250 per Ton per offence

e. Failure to Perform Contamination Monitoring Requirements. For each failure to conduct contamination monitoring in accordance with Section 4.10 of this Agreement:

included in SB 1383 if limits on Organic Waste in materials sent to Disposal apply.

Liquidated damages are assessed in the quarterly reporting period when the failure

1st violation - \$50 per route per occurrence

2nd violation - \$100 per route per occurrence

3rd and subsequent violations - \$250 per route per occurrence

f. Failure to Comply with Container Labeling and Colors. For each occurrence of Contractor's failure to comply with Container labeling and color requirements pursuant to SB 1383.

1st violation - \$50 per Container occurrence

2nd violation - \$100 per Container occurrence

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2811 Failure to Conduct Compliance Tasks. For each failure to conduct any compliance 2812 review, Discarded Materials evaluations pursuant to SB 1383, and/or other 2813 inspection required by this Agreement. 2814 1st violation - \$50 per occurrence 2815 2nd violation - \$100 per occurrence 2816 3rd and subsequent violations - \$250 per occurrence 2817 Failure to Issue Contamination Processing Fee Notices. For each failure of Contractor 2818 Collection personnel to issue contamination notices and Contamination Processing 2819 Fee Notices and maintain documentation of issuance as required by Section 4.10 of 2820 this Agreement. 2821 1st violation - \$50 per route per day 2822 2nd violation - \$100 per route per day 2823 3rd and subsequent violations - \$250 per route per day 2824 Failure to Conduct Follow-Up Inspections. For each failure to conduct a follow-up 2825 inspection as required by Section 4.7.C of this Agreement. 2826 1st violation - \$50 per occurrence 2827 2nd violation - \$100 per occurrence 2828 3rd and subsequent violations - \$250 per occurrence 2829 Failure to Maintain and/or Provide Access to Information Systems 2830 \$500 per day 2831 10. **General Contract Adherence.** 2832 For each day that Contractor fails to provide services required under the Agreement, 2833 or comply with terms of the Agreement, five (5) Business Days after receipt of 2834 written notification from City that such services are not being provided or terms are 2835 not being met: \$100.00/day 2836 Before assessing Liquidated Damages, City Manager shall give Contractor notice of City's intention to do so. The notice will include a brief description of the incident(s) 2837 2838 and non-performance. City Manager may review (and make copies at City's own 2839 expense) all information in the possession of Contractor relating to incident(s) and/or non-performance. City Manager may, within ten (10) Business Days after issuing the 2840 2841 notice, request a meeting with Contractor. City Manager may present evidence of non-performance in writing and through testimony of City's employees and others 2842 2843 relevant to the incident(s) and non-performance. City Manager will provide 2844 Contractor with a written explanation of their determination on each incident(s) and 2845 non-performance prior to authorizing the assessment of Liquidated Damages under 2846 this Section 11.6. The decision of City Manager may be appealed by Contractor to the 2847 Deputy City Manager.

Contractor is determined to be liable in accordance with this Agreement.

Amount. City may assess Liquidated Damages for each calendar day or event, as appropriate, that

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2850 D. **Timing of Payment.** Contractor shall pay any Liquidated Damages assessed by City within ten (10) days after they are assessed. If they are not paid within the ten (10) day period, City may proceed against the performance bond required by the Agreement or find Contractor in default and terminate this Agreement pursuant to Section 11.1, or both.

11.7 Excuse from Performance

A. **Force Majeure.** A Party shall be excused from performing their obligations hereunder and from any obligation to pay Liquidated Damages and Contractor shall not be in default under this Agreement if Contractor is prevented from performing the Collection, Transportation and/or Disposal services for any of the following reasons: riots; wars; sabotage; civil disturbances, pandemics, epidemics; government restrictions and orders; insurrections; explosion; natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes, landslides and fires; strikes; lockouts and other labor disturbances; and other similar catastrophic events which are beyond the control of and not the fault of the Party claiming excuse from performance hereunder. The Party claiming excuse from performance shall, within two (2) calendar days after such Party has notice of such cause, give the other Party notice of the facts constituting such cause and asserting its claim to excuse under this Section 11.7. If either Party validly exercises its rights under this Section 11.7, the Parties hereby waive any claim against each other for any damages sustained thereby.

The partial or complete interruption or discontinuance of Contractor's services caused by one (1) or more of the events described in this Section 11.7 shall not constitute a default by Contractor under this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, however, if Contractor is excused from performing its obligations hereunder for any of the causes listed in this Section 11.7 for a period of thirty (30) calendar days or more, City shall nevertheless have the right, in its sole discretion, to terminate this Agreement by giving ten (10) Business Days' notice to Contractor, in which case the provisions of Section 11.4 shall apply.

In the event of a labor disturbance that interrupts Collection, Transportation and/or Disposal of Discarded Materials by Contractor as required under this Agreement, the provisions of Section 11.7.B below shall apply.

2877 B. Labor Disputes.

- 1. <u>Labor Unrest Directed at Third Party.</u> In the case of labor unrest or job action directed at a third party over whom Contractor has no control, the inability of Contractor to provide services in accordance with this Agreement due to the unwillingness or failure of the third party to: (i) provide reasonable assurance of the safety of Contractor's employees while providing such services; or, (ii) make reasonable accommodations with respect to Container placement and point of delivery, time of Collection, or other operating circumstances to minimize any confrontation with pickets or the number of Persons necessary to make Collections shall, to that limited extent, excuse performance. The foregoing excuse shall be conditioned on Contractor's cooperation in performing Collection services at different times and in different locations.
- 2. Contractor Labor Disruptions. Contractor must notify the City in writing within twenty-four (24) hours of a notice from a labor union of a possible work stoppage. Contractor agrees that in the event Service is disrupted due to a labor dispute, Contractor shall place a minimum of twelve (12), forty (40) yard Roll-Off Boxes or other Containers of equivalent

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capacity at locations designated by the City Manager or their designees to serve as Collection points for the Customers within two (2) days of said Service interruption. Containers shall be Collected by Contractor for no additional charge as necessary to accommodate the waste volume Disposed in such Containers.

- A. Labor unrest including, but not limited to, strike, work stoppage or slowdown, sick-out; picketing, or other concerted job action conducted by Contractor's employees or directed at Contractor is excused from performance only to the extent that the following requirements are met:
 - i. Contractor provides a contingency plan to the City within ninety (90) days of commencement of services under this Agreement demonstrating how services will be provided during the period of labor unrest. The contingency plan is subject to City approval and Contractor shall amend the plan until it meets City requirements, including reasonably demonstrating how City's basic Collection and sanitary needs will be met to the City's satisfaction.
 - ii. Contractor shall meet all requirements of this plan or City may revoke this excuse from performance offered under this Agreement and may choose to use enforcement provisions under this Agreement in which case Contractor is not excused from performance and Contractor shall be obligated to continue to provide service notwithstanding the occurrence of any or all of such events.
- 3. <u>Collection During Labor Disruption.</u> Contractor shall prioritize those Collection activities it is able to perform during the pendency of the labor disruption, with hospitals, essential services, restaurants and other six (6) services days per week Customers prioritized for Collection on the basis of health and sanitation. In the event that a labor strike or disruption to Collection services should last longer than seven (7) consecutive days, City may contract with a third party to provide Collection services for the period of time limited to the time Contractor is unable to provide such services until the labor strike or disruption has concluded. Contractor shall notify City when the labor disruption has ended, and the date Contractor will resume Collection services.

11.8 Right to Demand Assurances of Performance

The Parties acknowledge that it is of the utmost importance to City and the health and safety of all those members of the public residing or doing business within City who will be adversely affected by interrupted waste management service, that there be no material interruption in services provided under this Agreement.

If Contractor: (i) is the subject of any labor unrest including work stoppage or slowdown, sick-out, picketing or other concerted job action; (ii) appears in the reasonable judgment of City to be unable to regularly pay its bills as they become due; or, (iii) is the subject of a civil or criminal judgment or order entered by a Federal, State, regional or local agency for violation of an Applicable Law, and City believes in good faith that Contractor's ability to perform under the Agreement has thereby been placed in substantial jeopardy, City may, at its sole option and in addition to all other remedies it may have, demand from Contractor reasonable assurances of timely and proper performance of this Agreement, in such form and substance as City believes in good faith is reasonably necessary in the circumstances to evidence continued ability to perform under the Agreement. If Contractor fails or refuses to provide

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satisfactory assurances of timely and proper performance in the form and by the date required by City, such failure or refusal shall be an event of default for purposes of Section 11.1.

11.9 Dispute Resolution

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In the event of dispute between the City Manager and the Contractor regarding the interpretation of or the performance of services under this Agreement which results in a material impact to the Contractor's

- revenue and/or cost of operations the provisions of this Section 11.9 shall apply.
- A. **Meet and Confer.** In the event of disputes regarding the performance of any obligation under this Agreement which results in a material impact to the Contractor's revenue and/or cost of operations, the City and Contractor agree that they promptly will meet and confer to attempt to resolve the matter between themselves.
- 2944 B. **Mediation.** If disputes which arise under this Agreement cannot be resolved satisfactorily between the Parties in accordance with Section 11.9.A, the City and Contractor agree that such disputes shall be submitted to mandatory, non-binding mediation by a mutually agreed upon independent third party.
- 2948 C. **Period of Time.** Insofar as allowed by Applicable Law, the period otherwise applicable for filing claims against the City under Applicable Law shall be tolled during the period of time for which meet and confer or mediation procedures are pending, in accordance with Sections 11.9.A and 11.9.B.
- D. **Litigation.** Litigation may be commenced only after all reasonable efforts to resolve the dispute(s) pursuant to Sections 11.9.A, 11.9.B, and 11.9.C have failed and any necessary claim(s) have been denied.

ARTICLE 12. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE PARTIES

The Parties, by acceptance of this Agreement, represents and warrants the conditions presented in this Article 12.

12.1 Contractor's Corporate Status

2961 Contractor, or parent company, is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing 2962 under the laws of the State. It is qualified to transact business in the State and has the power to own its 2963 properties and to carry on its business as now owned and operated and as required by this Agreement.

12.2 Contractor's Corporate Authorization

2965 Contractor has the authority to enter this Agreement and perform its obligations under this Agreement.
2966 The Board of Directors of Contractor (or the shareholders, if necessary) has taken all actions required by
2967 law, its articles of incorporation, its bylaws, or otherwise, to authorize the execution of this Agreement.
2968 The Person signing this Agreement on behalf of Contractor represents and warrants that they have
2969 authority to do so. This Agreement constitutes the legal, valid, and binding obligation of the Contractor.

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12.3 Agreement Will Not Cause Breach

- 2971 To the best of Contractor's and City's knowledge after reasonable investigation, the execution or
- 2972 delivery of this Agreement or the performance by either Party of their obligations hereunder does not
- conflict with, violate, or result in a breach of: (i) any Applicable Law; or, (ii) any term or condition of any
- 2974 judgment, order, or decree of any court, administrative agency or other governmental authority, or any
- agreement or instrument to which Contractor or City is a Party or by which Contractor or any of its
- 2976 properties or assets are bound, or constitutes a default hereunder.

2977 **12.4 No Litigation**

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- 2978 To the best of Contractor's and City's knowledge after reasonable investigation, there is no action, suit,
- 2979 proceeding or investigation, at law or in equity, before or by any court or governmental authority,
- 2980 commission, board, agency, or instrumentality decided, pending, or threatened against either Party
- wherein an unfavorable decision, ruling, or finding, in any single case or in the aggregate, would:
- 2982 A. Materially adversely affect the performance by Party of its obligations hereunder;
- 2983 B. Adversely affect the validity or enforceability of this Agreement; or,
- 2984 C. Have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of Contractor, or any surety or entity guaranteeing Contractor's performance under this Agreement.

2986 12.5 No Adverse Judicial Decisions

- 2987 To the best of Contractor's and City's knowledge after reasonable investigation, there is no judicial
- 2988 decision that would prohibit this Agreement or subject this Agreement to legal challenge.

2989 12.6 No Legal Prohibition

- 2990 To the best of each Party's knowledge, after reasonable investigation, there is no Applicable Law in
- 2991 effect on the date that Party signed this Agreement that would prohibit the performance of either their
- 2992 obligations under this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby.

12.7 Contractor's Ability to Perform

- 2994 Contractor possesses the business, professional, and technical expertise to perform all services,
- obligations, and duties as described in and required by this Agreement including all Exhibits thereto.
- 2996 Contractor possesses the ability to secure equipment, facility, and employee resources required to
- 2997 perform its obligations under this Agreement.

Article 13. Other Agreements of the Parties

13.1 Relationship of Parties

The Parties intend that Contractor shall perform the services required by this Agreement as an independent Contractor engaged by City and neither as an officer nor employee of City, nor as a partner or agent of, or joint venture with, City. No employee or agent of Contractor shall be, or shall be deemed

to be, an employee or agent of City. Contractor shall have the exclusive control over the manner and means of performing services under this Agreement, except as expressly provided herein. Contractor shall be solely responsible for the acts and omissions of its officers, employees, Subcontractors, and agents. Neither Contractor nor its officers, employees, Subcontractors, and agents shall obtain any rights to retirement benefits, workers' compensation benefits, or any other benefits that accrue to City employees by virtue of their employment with City.

13.2 Compliance with Law

- 3011 Contractor shall at all times, at its sole cost, comply with all Applicable Laws, permits and licenses of the
- 3012 United States, the State, County, and City and with all applicable regulations promulgated by Federal,
- 3013 State, regional or local administrative and regulatory agencies, now in force and as they may be enacted,
- issued, or amended during the Term.

3015 13.3 Governing Law

- 3016 This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the
- 3017 State.

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3018 **13.4 Jurisdiction**

- 3019 Any lawsuits, at law or in equity, between the Parties arising out of this Agreement shall be filed in a
- 3020 court of competent jurisdiction in the County. With respect to venue, the Parties agree that this
- 3021 Agreement is made in and will be performed in the County. The Parties waive all provisions of law
- 3022 providing for a change of venue in these proceedings to any other county.

3023 **13.5 Binding on Successors**

- 3024 The provisions of this Agreement shall inure to the benefit to and be binding on the successors and
- 3025 permitted assigns of the Parties.

13.6 Assignment

- 3027 Except as may be provided for in Article 10 (City's Right to Perform Service), neither Party shall assign its
- 3028 rights, nor delegate, subcontract or otherwise transfer its obligations under this Agreement to any other
- 3029 Person without the prior written consent of the other Party. Any such assignment made without the
- 3030 consent of the other Party shall be void and the attempted assignment shall constitute a material breach
- 3031 of this Agreement.
- For purposes of this Section 13.6 when used in reference to Contractor, "assignment" shall include, but
- 3033 not be limited to: (i) a sale, exchange or other transfer of substantially all of Contractor's assets
- dedicated to service under this Agreement to a third party; (ii) a sale, exchange or other transfer of
- 3035 outstanding common stock of Contractor to a third party provided said sale, exchange or transfer may
- 3036 result in a change of control of Contractor; (iii) any dissolution, reorganization, consolidation, merger,
- 3037 re-capitalization, stock issuance or re-issuance, voting trust, pooling agreement, escrow arrangement,
- 3038 liquidation or other transaction to which results in a change of ownership or control of Contractor;
- 3039 (iv) any assignment by operation of law, including insolvency or bankruptcy, making assignment for the
- 3040 benefit of creditors, writ of attachment for an execution being levied against this Agreement,
- 3041 appointment of a receiver taking possession of Contractor's property, or transfer occurring in the event

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of a probate proceeding; and, (v) any combination of the foregoing (whether or not in related or contemporaneous transactions) which has the effect of any such transfer or change of ownership, or change of control of Contractor.

3045 Contractor acknowledges that this Agreement involved rendering a vital service to City's residents and 3046 businesses, and that City has selected Contractor to perform the services specified herein based on: 3047 (1) Contractor's experience, skill and reputation for conducting its Discarded Materials management 3048 operations in a safe, effective, and responsible fashion, at all times in keeping with applicable laws 3049 pertaining to Excluded Waste, regulations and best Discarded Materials management practices, and, (2) 3050 Contractor's financial resources to maintain the required equipment and to support its indemnity 3051 obligations to City under this Agreement. City has relied on each of these factors, among others, in 3052 choosing Contractor to perform the services to be rendered by Contractor under this Agreement.

3053 If Contractor requests City's consideration of and consent to an assignment, City may deny or approve 3054 such request in its complete discretion. No request by Contractor for consent to an assignment need be 3055 considered by City unless and until Contractor has met the following requirements:

- 3056 A. Contractor shall undertake to pay City its reasonable expenses for attorney's fees and investigation costs necessary to investigate the suitability of any proposed assignee, and to review and finalize any documentation required as a condition for approving any such assignment;
- 3060 B. Contractor shall pay the City a transfer fee equal to one percent (1%) of the Gross Receipts 3061 times the number of years (pro-rated for partial years) remaining under this Agreement (based 3062 on actual Rate revenues for the prior twelve (12) months);
- 3063 C. Contractor shall furnish City with audited financial statements of the proposed assignee's operations for the immediately preceding three (3) operating years;
- 3065 D. A proforma financial statement (income statement and balance sheet) for the proposed assignee with the projected results of operations assuming that the assignment is completed.

 Such proforma financial statement shall reflect any debt to be incurred by the assignee as part of the acquisition of Contractor's operations; and,
- 3069 E. Contractor shall furnish City with satisfactory proof: (i) that the proposed assignee has at least 3070 ten (10) years of Discarded Materials management experience on a scale equal to or exceeding the sale of operations conducted by Contractor under this Agreement; (ii) that in the last five (5) 3071 3072 years, the proposed assignee has not suffered any significant citations or other censure from 3073 any Federal, State, or local agency having jurisdiction over its Discarded Materials management 3074 operations due to any significant failure to comply with State, Federal, or local laws pertaining 3075 to Excluded Waste and that the assignee has provided City with a complete list of such citations 3076 and censures; (iii) that the proposed assignee has at all times conducted its operations in an 3077 environmentally safe and conscientious fashion; (iv) that the proposed assignee conducts its 3078 Discarded Materials management practices in accordance with sound Discarded Materials 3079 management practices in full compliance with all Federal, State, and local laws regulating the 3080 Collection and Disposal of Discarded Materials including Hazardous Waste; and, (v) of any other 3081 information required by City to ensure the proposed assignee can fulfill the Terms of this 3082 Agreement in a timely, safe and effective manner.

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Under no circumstances shall City be obliged to consider any proposed assignment by City if Contractor is in default at any time during the period of consideration.

13.7 No Third-Party Beneficiaries

This Agreement is not intended to, and will not be construed to, create any right on the part of any third party to bring an action to enforce any of its terms.

13.8 Waiver

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The waiver by either Party of any breach or violation of any provisions of this Agreement shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any breach or violation of any other provision nor of any subsequent breach of violation of the same or any other provision. The subsequent acceptance by either Party of any monies that become due hereunder shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any pre-existing or concurrent breach or violation by the other Party of any provision of this Agreement.

13.9 Affiliated Companies

Contractor's accounting records shall be maintained on a basis showing the results of Contractor's operations under this Agreement separately from operations in other locations, as if Contractor were an independent entity providing service only to City. The costs and revenues associated with providing service to City shall not be combined, consolidated or in any other way incorporated with those of other operations conducted by Contractor in other locations, or with those of an Affiliate.

If Contractor enters into any financial transactions with a Related Party Entity for the provision of labor, equipment, supplies, services, capital, etc., related to the furnishing of service under this Agreement, that relationship shall be disclosed to City, and in the financial reports submitted to City. In such event, City's rights to inspect records, and obtain financial data shall extend to such Related Party Entity or entities.

13.10 Transition to Next Contractor

Prior to, and at, the end of the Term or in the event this Agreement is terminated for cause prior to the end of the Term, Contractor shall cooperate fully with City and any subsequent Discarded Materials enterprise it designates to assure a smooth transition of Discarded Materials Handling Services. Contractor's cooperation shall include, but not be limited to, providing both the City and subsequent Discarded Materials enterprise with route lists, Billing information, lists of gate or other access codes and information needed for entry to service areas, Container placement areas by address, levels of service including any special needs or services required by each location, and other operating records needed to service all Premises covered by this Agreement. In recognition of the difficulty inherent in Customer's difficulty or inability to store two sets of Containers, Contractor shall remove its Containers in coordination with the distribution of Containers by the incoming service provider. Contractor shall cooperate with the City and incoming service provider in agreeing to the timing of Container removal; if Parties cannot agree on a phase-out schedule and Contractor does not remove Containers in a timely manner that requires Customers to store two (2) sets of Containers, City, incoming service provider, or another entity may remove Contractor's Containers and seek cost reimbursement from Contractor through its performance bond, letter of credit or other means. The failure to cooperate with City following termination shall be conclusively presumed to be grounds for specific performance of this covenant and/or other equitable relief necessary to enforce this covenant.

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3123 Contractor shall, to the maximum extent feasible provide a new service provider with all keys, security 3124 codes and remote controls used to access garages and Bin enclosures. Contractor shall be responsible 3125 for coordinating Transfer immediately after Contractor's final pickups, so as not to disrupt service. 3126 Contractor shall provide City with detailed route sheets containing service names and addresses, Billing 3127 names and addresses, monthly Rate and Service Levels (quantity, material type, and size of Containers 3128 and pickup days) at least ninety (90) days prior to the transition date and provide an updated list two 3129 weeks before the transition and a final list of changes the day before the transition. Contractor shall 3130 provide means of access to the new service provider at least one (1) full calendar day (excluding 3131 Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays as defined in Exhibit A) prior to the first day of Collection by another 3132 party, and always within sufficient time so as not to impede in any way the new service provider from 3133 easily servicing all Containers.

3134 Contractor to provide documentation of any Customer declining request to provide keys, security codes, 3135 and/or remote controls used to access garages and Container enclosures.

13.11 Contractor's Investigation

- 3137 Contractor has made an independent investigation (satisfactory to it) of the conditions and 3138 circumstances surrounding the Agreement and the work to be performed by it.
- 13.12 Condemnation 3139
- 3140 City fully reserves the rights to acquire Contractor's property utilized in the performance of this
- 3141 Agreement, by purchase or through the exercise of the right of eminent domain. This provision is
- 3142 additive, and not intended to alter the rights of the Parties set forth in Article 10.

13.13 Notice Procedures 3143

- 3144 All notices, demands, requests, proposals, approvals, consents, and other communications, which this 3145 Agreement requires, authorizes, or contemplates, shall be in writing and shall either be personally 3146 delivered to a representative of the Parties at the address below or deposited in the United States mail,
- 3147 first class postage prepaid, addressed as follows:
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3149 City of Garden Grove 3150 Attn: City Manager 3151 11222 Acacia Parkways 3152 Garden Grove, California 92840

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3155 General Manager 3156 **Republic Services** 3157 1131 N. Blue Gum Street 3158 Anaheim, California 92806

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The address to which communications may be delivered may be changed from time to time by a notice given in accordance with this Section 13.13. Notice shall be deemed given on the day it is personally 3162 delivered or, if mailed, three (3) calendar days from the date it is deposited in the mail. Either Party may

- 3163 choose to provide email notification to the other Party that notice has been deposited in the mail;
- 3164 however, such email notification shall not constitute official notice.

13.14 Representatives of the Parties

- 3166 References in this Agreement to the "City" shall mean the City's elected body and all actions to be taken
- 3167 by City except as otherwise provided in this Section 13.14. Each reference to an act performed by, or
- obligation of the City Manager in this Agreement is itself a delegation of authority from the City. The City
- may delegate, in writing, further authority to the City Manager and/or to other City officials and may
- permit such officials, in turn, to delegate in writing some or all of such authority to subordinate officers.
- 3171 The Contractor may rely upon actions taken by such delegates if they are within the scope of the
- authority properly delegated to them.
- 3173 The Contractor shall, by the Effective Date, designate in writing a responsible officer who shall serve as
- 3174 the representative of the Contractor in all matters related to the Agreement and shall inform City in
- 3175 writing of such designation and of any limitations upon his or her authority to bind the Contractor. City
- 3176 may rely upon action taken by such designated representative as actions of the Contractor unless they
- are outside the scope of the authority delegated to him/her by the Contractor as communicated to City.

13.15 Compliance with Municipal Code and Code of Regulations

- 3179 Contractor shall comply with those provisions of the Municipal Code of City and District's Code of
- 3180 Regulations which are applicable, and with any and all amendments to such applicable provisions during
- 3181 the Term of this Agreement, which further constitutes a change in Applicable Law within the meaning of
- 3182 this Agreement.

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13.16 Cooperation Following Termination

- 3184 At the end of the Term or in the event this Agreement is terminated prior to the end of the Term,
- 3185 Contractor shall cooperate fully with City and any subsequent Contractor to assure a smooth transition
- 3186 of Discarded Materials management services. Contractor's cooperation shall include, but not be limited
- 3187 to, providing operating records needed to service all properties covered by this Agreement. City may
- 3188 further use Contractor's Customer information in the procurement of a new contract for Discarded
- 3189 Materials management services. The failure to cooperate with City following termination or in the
- 3190 procurement of a new contract shall be conclusively presumed to be grounds for specific performance
- of this covenant and/or other equitable relief necessary to enforce this covenant.

13.17 Compliance with Immigration Laws

- 3193 Contractor shall be knowledgeable of and comply with all local, State, and Federal laws which may apply
- 3194 to the performance of this Agreement. Contractor warrants and represents that all of its employees,
- 3195 including any and all prospective employees hired to perform services for the City under this Agreement
- and the employees of any Subcontractor retained by the Contractor to perform a portion of the services
- 3197 under this Agreement, are and will be authorized to perform the services contemplated by this
- 3198 Agreement in full compliance with all applicable State and Federal laws, rules and regulations, including,
- but not limited to, the Immigration Nationality Act of 1952 (commencing with Section 1101 of Title 8 of
- 3200 the United States Code), and the Immigration Nationality and the Immigration Reform and Control Act
- of 1986 (commencing with Section 1324a of Title 8 of the United States Code), as amended. Contractor

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3202 agrees to verify the legal status of all of its employees and provide documentation of such verification 3203 whenever requested by the City. If Contractor discovers that any employee it has retained is not in 3204 compliance with Immigration Laws, Contractor agrees to terminate such employee. 13.18 Guarantee of Contractor's Performance 3205 3206 Pursuant to a guarantee in substantially the form attached as Exhibit G, Republic Waste Services of 3207 Southern California, LLC, a corporation which owns all of the issued and outstanding common stock of 3208 Contractor, has agreed to guarantee Contractor's performance of this Agreement. The Guarantee is 3209 being provided no later than ten (10) days subsequent to the execution of this Agreement. **ARTICLE 14.** 3210 **MISCELLANEOUS AGREEMENTS** 3211 3212 14.1 **Entire Agreement** 3213 This Agreement is the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof 3214 and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous oral and written agreements and discussions. Each Party 3215 has cooperated in the drafting and preparation of this Agreement and this Agreement shall not be 3216 construed against any Party on the basis of drafting. This Agreement may be amended only by an 3217 agreement in writing, signed by each of the Parties hereto. 14.2 Section Headings 3218 3219 The article headings and section headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and 3220 are not intended to be used in the construction of this Agreement nor to alter or affect any of its 3221 provisions. References to Laws 3222 14.3 3223 All references in this Agreement to laws and regulations shall be understood to include such laws as 3224 they may be subsequently amended or recodified, unless otherwise specifically provided herein. 3225 14.4 Interpretation 3226 This Agreement, including the Exhibits attached hereto, shall be interpreted and construed reasonably 3227 and neither for nor against either Party, regardless of the degree to which either Party participated in its 3228 drafting. 3229 14.5 Amendments 3230 This Agreement may not be modified or amended in any respect except in writing signed by the Parties. 14.6 Severability 3231 3232 If any non-material provision of this Agreement is for any reason deemed to be invalid and unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such provision shall not affect any of the remaining 3233 3234 provisions of this Agreement, which shall be enforced as if such invalid or unenforceable provision had 3235 not been contained herein.

14.7 Counterparts

3237 This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be considered an original.

3238 **14.8 Exhibits**

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- 3239 **Each of the Exhibits identified as Exhibit "A" through "O" is attached hereto and incorporated herein
- 3240 and made a part hereof by this reference. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this
- 3241 Agreement and the terms of an Exhibit, the terms of this Agreement shall control. In the event of a
- 3242 conflict between Exhibit J, and any other Exhibit(s), such other Exhibit(s) shall control.

14.9 Non-Waiver Provision

- 3244 Failure of either Party to exercise any of the remedies set forth herein within the time periods provided
- 3245 for shall not constitute a waiver of any rights of that Party with regard to that failure to perform or
- 3246 subsequent failures to perform whether determined to be a breach, excused performance, or
- 3247 unexcused defaults by the other Party.

14.10 Attorneys' Fees

- 3249 If either Party to this Agreement is required to initiate or defend or is made a Party to any action or
- 3250 proceeding in any way connected with this Agreement, the prevailing Party in such action or proceeding,
- in addition to any other relief which may be granted, whether legal or equitable, shall be entitled to
- 3252 reasonable attorney's fees. Attorney's fees shall include attorney's fees on any appeal, and, in addition,
- 3253 a Party entitled to attorney's fees shall be entitled to all other reasonable costs for investigating such
- 3254 action, taking depositions and discovery and all other necessary costs the court allows which are
- 3255 incurred in such litigation. All such fees shall be deemed to have accrued on commencement of such
- action and shall be enforceable whether or not such action is prosecuted to judgment.

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3257 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement is entered by the Parties hereto in Orange County, California on 3258 the day and year first above written.

City of Garden Grove, A Municipal Corporation		"CONTRACTOR"	
City Manager	Date	Signature	Date
Garden Grove Sanitary District , a C special district	California		
		Print Name of Signatory	
General Manager	Date	Title of Signatory	
	-	Signature	Date
		Print Name of Signatory	
	-	Title of Signatory	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:			
City Attorney/General Counsel	Date	City Business License #	
ATTEST:			
City Clerk/Secretary	Date		

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