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STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MATAGORDA**

THIS EXCLUSIVE AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made and entered into as of March 1, 2020, by and between Doliver Enterprises, LLC., a Texas Corporation, dba HHW Solutions (the "Service Provider"), and the City of Bay City, Texas (the "City").

WHEREAS, the City, subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein and the ordinances and regulations of the City, desires to grant to the Service Provider the exclusive license and privilege to collect, haul and recycle or dispose of Household Hazardous Waste (as such terms are defined herein) within the City's corporate limits.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the mutual promises, covenants and agreements set forth herein, the Service Provider and the City hereby agree as follows:

SECTION 1. DEFINED TERMS.

The following terms, as used herein, will be defined as follows:

Aggregate - The act of bringing together household hazardous waste that, after being separated from other household waste, is collected from two or more households and accumulated at a collection event, permanent collection center, point of generation pick-up service, mobile collection unit, or transporter's facility for the purpose of reusing, recycling, or disposing the material.

Business Day - Any day that is not a Saturday, a Sunday, or other day on which banks are required or authorized by law to be closed in the City.

Collector - Any person who accepts from two or more households any waste materials that have been separated from other household waste and offered to the collector because the generator either knows or considers the materials to be household hazardous waste.

Hazardous Waste - Waste identified or listed as a hazardous waste by the administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under the federal Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976, as amended, or so classified by any federal or State of Texas statute, rule, order or regulation.

Holidays - The following days:

- (1) New Year's Day (January 1st)
- (2) Memorial Day
- (3) Independence Day (July 4th)

- (4) Labor Day
- (5) Thanksgiving Day
- (6) Christmas Day (December 25th).

Household Hazardous Waste - Any solid waste generated in a household by a consumer which, except for the exclusion provided in 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §261.4(b)(1), would be classified as a hazardous waste under 40 CFR Part 261. The term has the same meaning as "hazardous household waste." The definition for purposes of this contract shall include Electronic Recyclables.

Household Hazardous waste processing, storage, or disposal facility - A hazardous waste processing, storage, or disposal facility that has received an United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) permit (or a facility with interim status) in accordance with the requirements of 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 270 and 124, or that has received a permit from a state authorized in accordance with 40 CFR Part 271.

Landfill - Any facility or area of land receiving Municipal Solid Waste or Construction and Demolition Waste and operating under the regulation and authority of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ") within the State of Texas, or the appropriate governing agency for landfills located outside the State of Texas.

Mobile collection unit - A vehicle (such as a truck or trailer) that is used to aggregate household waste materials delivered by the public prior to transporting the material to a permanent collection center, collection event, or registered hazardous waste transporter facility.

Operator - A person responsible for the collection, aggregation, and storage of household hazardous waste and household materials at a collection event or permanent collection center, in a point of generation pick-up service or mobile collection unit, or in any combination of collection programs.

Personnel - All individuals who perform tasks at or oversee the operations of a collection event, permanent collection center, mobile collection unit, or point of generation pick-up service.

Point of generation pick-up service - A service to collect household hazardous waste at generating households, either through direct contact with the generators or by collection of household hazardous waste left at curbside or in another location at the household.

Residential Unit - Any residential dwelling that is either a Single-Family Residential Units or a Multi-Family Residential Units such as a duplex. Excluding Multi-family dwellings such as apartments, townhouses, or hi rise units.

Single-Family Residential Unit - Any residential dwelling that is designed for, and inhabited by, a single person or family unit and that generates and accumulates Household Hazardous Waste.

SECTION 2. OPERATIONS.

A. **Scope of Operations.** It is expressly understood and agreed that the Service Provider will collect, haul and recycle or dispose of all Household Hazardous Waste(i) generated and accumulated by Residential Units, and (ii) placed for collections by those Residential Units receiving the services of the Service Provider all within the City's corporate limits, including any territories annexed by the City during the term of this Agreement (the "Services").

B. **Nature of Operations.** The City hereby grants to the Service Provider, in accordance with the City's ordinances and regulations governing the collection, hauling and recycling or disposal of Household Hazardous Waste, the title to all Household Hazardous Waste collected, hauled and recycled or disposed of by the Service Provider over, upon, along and across the City's present and future streets, alleys, bridges and public properties. All title to and liability for materials excluded from this Agreement shall remain with the generator of such materials.

SECTION 3. SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL UNIT COLLECTIONS.

- **Single-Family Residential Units.** The Service Provider will collect Household Hazardous Waste from Single-Family Residential Units once per month; provided, that (i) such Household Hazardous Waste items are placed close to the Residential Unit such as at the doorstep or driveway adjacent to the Unit, no later than 8:00 a.m. on the scheduled collection day.

- **Materials accepted include the following:**
 - Aerosol products
 - Ammunition, home use fireworks
 - Antifreeze
 - Auto fluids
 - Ballasts (non-PCB & PCB)
 - Batteries – auto, sump, power tool & household sizes
 - Blacktop sealer - oil based
 - Cleaning products
 - Cooking Oil
 - Fire Extinguishers
 - Fluorescent bulbs (tubes and CFLs)
 - Gasoline & oil/gas mixtures
 - HID (headlight bulbs)
 - Hobby & photo chemicals
 - Lawn chemicals
 - Mercury containing Devices (thermostats, etc.)
 - Motor oil
 - Oxygen tanks
 - Paint (Oil-based paints, stains, varnishes; and Latex Paint)
 - Pesticides, poisons, herbicides, insecticides
 - Pharmaceuticals/medications

- Pool chemicals
 - Propane tanks • Resins, Glues, Adhesives
 - Smoke Detectors
 - Solvents
- Items not accepted include the following:
 - Acetylene cylinders
 - Biological or medical waste
 - Business generated waste
 - Foam cylinders (Part A/Part B)
 - Explosives
 - MAPP gases
 - Radioactive Material
 - Syringes/needles
 - Farm machinery oil
- Item Limits per collection per month
 - Fluorescent light bulbs: Minimum 1, Maximum 8
 - Used motor oils or antifreeze: Minimum 1 gallon, Maximum 5 gallons
 - Paints and supplies; Pool & Household Chemicals: Minimum 1 gallons, Maximum 10 gallons
 - Household Cleaners; Pesticides & Fertilizers: Minimum 1 items, Maximum 8 items
 - Household Batteries: Minimum 1; Maximum 20
 - Recyclable Electronics: Minimum 1; Maximum 3, less than 50 pounds per item

SECTION 4. RATES AND FEES.

Subject to adjustment, as provided in Section 5 hereof, the rates and fees to be charged and received by the Service Provider are as follows:

A. Single-Family Residential Unit Services. For the Services provided to Single-Family Residential Units under Section 4.A. hereof, the Service Provider shall charge :

1. \$0.94 per month for each Single-Family Residential Unit.

These rates apply to all Single-Family Residential Units that are located within the City's corporate limits and billed by the City for water and sewer services.

SECTION 5. RATE ADJUSTMENT.

A. CPI-U Adjustment. On each anniversary date of this Agreement, the Service Provider shall have the right, in its sole discretion and upon giving prior notice to the City, to increase or decrease the rates set forth in Section 4 hereof (the "Initial Rates") in accordance with the CPI-U. As used herein, "CPI-U" shall mean the revised Consumer Price Index rate for all urban consumers (all items included) for the nearest available metropolitan area, based on the latest available figures from the Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics (the "Bureau"). The CPI-U used will

be the CPI-U published by the Bureau during the month ninety (90) days preceding the adjustment under this Section 5A. The amount of the increase or decrease under this Section 5A. shall be equal to the percentage that the CPI-U has increased or decreased over the previous twelve (12) month period.

SECTION 6. EXCLUSIONS.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, this Agreement shall not cover the collection, hauling, recycling or disposal of any Non-Hazardous Solid Waste, animal or human, dead animals, auto parts or used tires from any Residential Unit

SECTION 7. TERM OF AGREEMENT.

The term of this Agreement shall be for a period of two (2) years, commencing on March 1, 2020, and concluding on February 28, 2022. At the expiration of the term of this Agreement, the Agreement may be renewed with mutually agreed upon terms of both parties.

SECTION 8. ASSIGNMENT.

This Agreement shall not be assignable or otherwise transferable by the Service Provider without the prior written consent of the City; provided, however, that the Service Provider may assign this Agreement to any direct or indirect affiliate or subsidiary of the Service Provider or to any person or entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the Service Provider's assets (whether by operation of law, merger, consolidation or otherwise) without the City's consent.

SECTION 9. PROCESSING, BILLING AND FEES.

A. Billings for Single-Family Residential Unit Services. On a monthly basis, the City agrees to bill and collect the rates and fees charged under Section 4.A. hereto from all Single-Family Residential Units possessing active water meters within the City's corporate limits, as well as from all other Single-Family Residential Units requiring the collection, hauling, recycling and disposal of Household Hazardous Waste within the City's corporate limits (the "Residential Billing"), plus any applicable sales, use or services taxes assessed or payable in connection with the Services provided hereunder.

F. Taxes. The City will be responsible to collect any applicable sales taxes that result in the execution of this contract.

SECTION 10. HOURS OF SERVICE.

For all the Services provided hereunder, the Service Provider's hours of service shall be between 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The Service Provider will not be required to provide service on weekends or Holidays except during natural disasters or emergencies, and may, at its sole discretion, observe Holidays during the term of this Agreement; provided, however, that the Service Provider shall provide such services on the immediately following business day.

SECTION 11. CUSTOMER SERVICE.

The Service Provider agrees to field all inquiries from Residential Units relating to the collection, hauling, recycling and disposal of Household Hazardous Waste. The Service Provider and the City agree to cooperate with each other in the response to any such inquiries and the resolution of any such complaints.

SECTION 12. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS.

The Service Provider shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws regarding the collection, hauling, recycling and disposal of Household Hazardous Waste, including existing and future laws that may be enacted, as well as any regulations reasonably passed by the City that are not in derogation of this Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed in any manner to abridge the City's right to pass or enforce necessary police and health regulations for the reasonable protection of its inhabitants. The City shall have the right to make reasonable inspections of the Service Provider in order to insure compliance with this Section 12.

SECTION 13. DUE CARE.

The Service Provider shall exercise due care and caution in providing the Services so that the City's public and private property, including streets and parking areas, will be protected and preserved.

SECTION 14. PERSONNEL AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS.

The Service Provider shall not deny employment to any person on the basis of race, creed or religion, and will insure that all federal and state laws pertaining to salaries, wages and operating requirements are met or exceeded. The Service Provider, its agents, servants and employees shall perform the Services in a courteous, competent and professional manner. During the term of this Agreement and any extension thereof, the Service Provider shall be responsible for the actions of its agents, servants and employees while such agents, servants and employees are acting within the scope of their employment or agency.

Further, the Parties have agreed to the following performance measures in accordance with this agreement:

- a. Service Provider will have no unresolved performance complaints. "Resolved" means that Service Provider addressed the issue and either resolved the issue or the customer was notified that the request was not part of the Agreement or some other unresolvable event.
- b. Service Provider agrees that more than 90% of collections shall be completed without a complaint.
- c. Service routes will be completed by 5:00pm greater than 90% of the time.

SECTION 15. INSURANCE COVERAGE.

Pursuant to this Agreement, the Service Provider shall carry the following types of insurance in an amount equal to or exceeding the limits specified below:

<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Limits of Liability</u>
(1) Worker's Compensation	Statutory
(2) Employer's Liability	\$1,000,000
(3) Commercial General Liability	\$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$2,000,000 in the aggregate, combined single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability
(4) Automobile Liability	\$1,000,000 per occurrence combined single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability

The City shall be named as an additional insured on all the above coverages with the exception of workers compensation insurance. To the extent permitted by law, any or all of the insurance coverage required by this Section 24 may be provided under a plan(s) of self-insurance, including coverage provided by the Service Provider's parent corporation. Upon the City's request, the Service Provider shall furnish the City with a certificate of insurance verifying the insurance coverage required by this Section 24.

SECTION 16. INDEMNITY.

Service Provider assumes all risks of loss or injury to property or persons caused by its performance of the Services, including the obligations regarding the transportation and disposition of the items collected by Service Provider. The Service Provider agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City and its agents, directors, employees, officers and servants from and against any and all suits, actions, legal proceedings, claims, demands, damages, costs, liabilities, losses or expenses (including, but not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fees) caused by a willful or negligent act or omission of the Service Provider, its officers and employees. However, the Service Provider shall not be liable for any legal proceedings, claims, demands, damages, costs, expenses and attorneys' fees caused by a willful or negligent act or omission of the City, its agents, directors, employees, officers and servants.

SECTION 17. SAVINGS PROVISION.

In the event that any term or provision of this Agreement shall be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, this Agreement shall, to the extent

reasonably possible, remain in force as to the balance of its terms and provisions as if such invalid term or provision were not a part hereof.

SECTION 18. TERMINATION.

Any failure by either party or its successors and assigns to observe the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall, if continuing or persisting without remedy for more than thirty (30) days after the receipt of due written notice from the other party, constitute grounds for forfeiture and immediate termination of all the defaulting party's rights under this Agreement, and all such rights shall become null and void.

SECTION 19. FORCE MAJEURE.

The performance of this Agreement may be suspended and the obligations hereunder excused in the event and during the period that such performance is prevented by a cause or causes beyond reasonable control of such party. The performance of this Agreement will be suspended and the obligations hereunder excused only until the condition preventing performance is remedied. Such conditions shall include, but not be limited to, acts of God, acts of war, accident, explosion, fire, flood, riot, sabotage, acts of terrorists, unusually severe weather, lack of adequate fuel, or judicial or governmental laws or regulations.

SECTION 20. GOVERNING LAW.

This Agreement shall be governed in all respects, including as to validity, interpretation and effect, by the internal laws of the State of Texas, without giving effect to the conflict of laws rules thereof. The parties hereby irrevocably submit to the jurisdiction of the courts of the State of Texas and the Federal courts of the United States located in the State of Texas, solely in respect of the interpretation and enforcement of the provisions of this Agreement, and hereby waive, and agree not to assert, as a defense in any action, suit or proceeding for the interpretation or enforcement hereof, that it is not subject thereto or that such action, suit or proceeding may not be brought or is not maintainable in said courts or that the venue thereof may not be appropriate or that this Agreement may be enforced in or by said courts, and the parties hereto irrevocably agree that all claims with respect to such action or proceeding shall be heard and determined in such a Texas State or Federal court. The parties hereby consent to and grant any such court jurisdiction over the person of such parties and over the subject matter of any such dispute and agree that mailing of process or other papers in connection with any such action or proceeding to the addresses of the parties listed below, or in such other manner as may be permitted by law, shall be valid and sufficient service thereof.

SECTION 21. NOTICES.

Any notices required or permitted to be delivered hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed to the respective party at the address set forth below:

If to the City:
City of Bay City
1901 5th Street
Bay City, Texas 77414
Attn: City Manager

If to the Service Provider:
HHW Solutions
1240 Coastal
Rockwall, Texas 75087
Attn: Dick Demein

With a Copy to:
HHW Solutions
4090 Hackberry Cir
Caddo Mills, Texas 75135
Attn: Tim Oliver

or such other addresses as the parties may hereafter specify by written notice and delivered in accordance herewith.

SECTION 22. ATTORNEYS' FEES.

The prevailing party in any dispute between the parties arising out of the interpretation, application or enforcement of any provision hereof shall be entitled to recover all of its reasonable attorneys' fees and costs whether suit be filed or not, including without limitation costs and attorneys' fees related to or arising out of any trial or appellate proceedings.


SECTION 23. ACCEPTANCE.

Passed and approved by the City of BAY City at a duly called City Council Meeting on the 14th day of January, 2020.

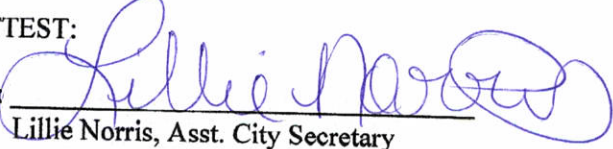
DOLIVER ENTERPRISES, LLC
DBA HHW SOLUTIONS

By: 
Tiffany Demein, President

CITY OF BAY CITY, TEXAS

By: 
Robert K. Nelson, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: 
Lillie Norris, Asst. City Secretary