



City of Westlake  
4001 Seminole Pratt Whitney Road  
Westlake, FL 33470  
Attn: Ken Cassel

October 9, 2020

Dear valued municipal partner,

As you are aware, during last legislative session, the Governor signed CS/House Bill 73, Environmental Regulation, adding a new subsection 22 to 403.706, F.S. that impacts each of us regarding residential recycling collection and processing. Specifically, the addition of new subsection 403.706 (22)(a) establishes a requirement that certain language be included in all new or renewed collection contracts between municipalities or counties and private waste haulers with the intended goal of reducing contamination in recycling. Attached, for your reference, please find a copy of CS/HB 73 Section 1 (Bill), (ATTACHMENT A) detailing the specific requirements.

The Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County (Authority) is the entity responsible for providing the county-wide recycling program, achieving the state-mandated recycling goals, and operating the Recovered Materials Processing Facility. As such, the Authority believes that, to help ensure a consistent county-wide program, it is in our collective best interest to provide our municipal partners with a common framework to be utilized in developing future procurement and/or contract renewal documents for private waste hauling services that comply with the new legislative requirements.

To that end we have revised our existing Interlocal Agreement (ILA) relative to the new requirements and we believe that the revised ILA contains the language that meets all of the requirements of the new law. We have also taken this opportunity to update the ILA to reflect current industry definitions and simplified the structure. There have been no substantive changes to the terms and conditions of the current ILA. Accordingly, attached please find the current draft of the revised ILA for your consideration (ATTACHMENT B).

As the future need arises for you to solicit new or renew existing waste collection contracts, as your solid waste and recycling partner, we strongly encourage you to review the attached Bill and address the specific requirements utilizing the language provided in the revised ILA or, alternately, include the revised ILA as an exhibit referencing the appropriate sections.

Additionally, and as another initiative to reduce inbound recycling contamination, we also recommend that for future bids, RFPs or collection contract renewals your municipality include specific language requiring a rear-load split-body compacting recycling vehicle with one

compartment dedicated to paper/fiber products and one compartment dedicated for other recovered materials (containers). It is our experience that this type of collection vehicle significantly reduces cross-contamination. We have attached our contract specification for the type of recycling collection vehicle for your reference and consideration (ATTACHMENT C).

Again, we thank you for our great partnership as we work together to serve our customers with the highest level of quality collection service possible. Should you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact Mr. John Archambo at (561) 315-2010 or email at [jarchambo@swa.org](mailto:jarchambo@swa.org).

Sincerely,



Dan Pellowitz  
Executive Director

Enclosure:    ATTACHMENT A) CS/HB 73 Section I  
                  ATTACHMENT B) Draft Revised ILA  
                  ATTACHMENT C) SWA Haulers Agreement, Section 14 - Collection Vehicles