

Town of Vernon, Connecticut  
**Contract # 990 – 08/15/11**  
Request for Proposal  
Municipal Solid Waste Disposal,  
Processing and Recycling Services

**Answers to Questions from Bidders – Addendum II**

**Question 2**

Is the MSW tonnage information shown in Appendix B just for curbside MSW or both curbside and commercial MSW?

**Answer 2**

Town of Vernon MSW figures shown in Appendix B reflect a combination of industrial, commercial and residential tonnage. The attached Appendix F shows residential only (curbside collection) MSW tonnage for fiscal years 07-08, 08-09, 09-10 and 10-11.

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**Question 3**

Can respondents bid on recyclables and not waste, or will the Town only consider proposals from companies offering to handle both wastes and recyclables?

**Answer 3**

Option 3 under Appendix A allows the Town not to commit any recyclables for a nominal contract term of 3 years. Therefore, the Town may, in its sole discretion, consider proposals for recycling only. The Town reserves the right to reject any or all proposals in whole or part, to award any one service or group of services or all services, to negotiate with any or all Companies submitting proposals, and to enter into an agreement with any Company for any services mentioned in this RFP; if it is deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.

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**Question 4**

Will the Town consider offering separate contracts for MSW and recycling to separate vendors?

**Answer 4**

See Answer 3.

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**Question 5**

Is it correct that this contract would not begin until November 2012?

**Answer 5**

Yes. The Town is seeking a qualified Company to provide one or more permitted facilities within or proximate to the geographic boundaries of the Town to receive, process, dispose and recycle all wastes and recyclables managed by the Town and collected under the flow control ordinance starting November 16, 2012, when the Town's current Municipal Service Agreement with Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority expires.

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**Question 6**

The first line appears to be for the Year one price Nov 15, 2012 – Jun 30, 2013 with options 1 through 5 depending on the total term of the contract. Is it correct that these terms correspond with the different “Flow Control” options listed on the pricing page?

**Answer 6**

In Appendix A, the Companies are asked to provide Estimated Disposal Fee per Ton for Year 1 of the contract under five (5) different contract options. Each option differs by the Town’s Commitment of MSW and Recyclables and/or Nominal Term of the contract. These two factors should be considered together when quoting a Disposal Fee.

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**Question 7**

On line two (of Appendix A) there is a option for July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017. Is this supposed to read “July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014” as mentioned under the Selection Process on Pg. 3?

**Answer 7**

In Appendix A, on Page 8, Line 2 of the RFP document, the Companies are asked to provide an Estimated Disposal Fee per Ton for Fiscal Year 2017, for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. The exception would be Option 3, whose Nominal Term ends on June 20, 2015. Section (3) of the RFP document, on Page 3, explains that the agreement will operate on a fiscal year basis, with Year 1 period of November 16, 2012 – June 30, 2013 and subsequent years periods of July 1<sup>st</sup> – June 30<sup>th</sup>.

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**Question 8**

Can you explain what the “Most Favored Nation” option entails?

**Answer 8**

Most-Favored-Nation commitment for MSW means that the Town will pay the lower of (a) the sum of Disposal Fee or (b) the per Ton Company Tip Fee charged under any other contract with the same or substantially the same terms and conditions, including the same length of term, executed by the Company after the Commencement Date with a Connecticut Municipality other than the Town. Most-Favored-Nation commitment for Recyclables means that the Town will be entitled to the more favorable of the rights provided (a) under the contract with the Company, or (b) under any other contract with the same or substantially the same terms and conditions other than such rights but including the same length of term, executed by the Company after the Commencement Date with a Connecticut Municipality other than the Town.

APPENDIX F

**MSW TONNAGE STATISTICS**  
**Residential Only (Curbside Collection)**  
**Town of Vernon**

	<b>TONNAGE</b>			
	<b>FY 10/11</b>	<b>FY 09/10</b>	<b>FY 08/09</b>	<b>FY 07/08</b>
<b>JULY</b>	<b>651.17</b>	<b>773.23</b>	<b>776.60</b>	<b>755.16</b>
<b>AUG</b>	<b>649.45</b>	<b>668.91</b>	<b>724.09</b>	<b>796.33</b>
<b>SEPT</b>	<b>648.16</b>	<b>717.01</b>	<b>749.17</b>	<b>680.76</b>
<b>1QTR</b>	<b>1,948.78</b>	<b>2,159.15</b>	<b>2,249.86</b>	<b>2,232.25</b>
<b>OCT</b>	<b>606.26</b>	<b>692.26</b>	<b>750.45</b>	<b>775.89</b>
<b>NOV</b>	<b>628.24</b>	<b>654.69</b>	<b>608.69</b>	<b>770.89</b>
<b>DEC</b>	<b>629.18</b>	<b>732.40</b>	<b>776.51</b>	<b>683.79</b>
			<b>3,609.00</b>	
<b>2QTR</b>	<b>1,863.68</b>	<b>2,079.35</b>	<b>2,135.65</b>	<b>2,230.57</b>
<b>6MO</b>	<b>3,812.46</b>	<b>4,238.50</b>	<b>4,385.51</b>	<b>4,462.82</b>
<b>JAN</b>	<b>593.29</b>	<b>603.86</b>	<b>641.08</b>	<b>734.71</b>
<b>FEB</b>	<b>510.72</b>	<b>533.86</b>	<b>561.07</b>	<b>624.50</b>
<b>MAR</b>	<b>647.83</b>	<b>720.72</b>	<b>652.34</b>	<b>672.63</b>
<b>3QTR</b>	<b>1,751.84</b>	<b>1,858.44</b>	<b>1,854.49</b>	<b>2,031.84</b>
<b>APR</b>	<b>627.23</b>	<b>705.11</b>	<b>717.61</b>	<b>765.72</b>
<b>MAY</b>	<b>674.09</b>	<b>640.61</b>	<b>696.35</b>	<b>767.69</b>
<b>JUNE</b>	<b>704.49</b>	<b>734.89</b>	<b>745.03</b>	<b>742.60</b>
<b>4QTR</b>	<b>2,005.81</b>	<b>2,080.61</b>	<b>2,158.99</b>	<b>2,276.01</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>7,570.11</b>	<b>8,177.55</b>	<b>8,398.99</b>	<b>8,770.67</b>