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Dear Wauconda Business Owner:

The Village of Wauconda, with the assistance of the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO), is seeking information on the solid waste management practices and costs of its local businesses. The enclosed survey will provide the necessary information for the Village to evaluate the potential benefits of establishing a village-wide commercial sector waste franchise, comparable to the residential franchise the Village has established.

The Village is in the fact-finding stage and has not made nor will it make any final decision regarding a commercial franchise without the input of our local businesses. We will not proceed forward with a commercial franchise unless it can be demonstrated that costs will be lowered, and the current level of service will be maintained or enhanced.

State law authorizes municipalities to establish franchises for the collection of both residential and commercial waste. Residential franchises are quite common and typically provide residents with better pricing and service (requirements are typically contained in contracts enforced by the municipality) than residents can obtain individually. The same holds true for commercial franchises. To date, approximately 25 to 30 municipalities in the Chicago Metro area have established commercial franchises and their track record is impressive regarding the savings to local businesses. The primary benefits of commercial franchising include:

- Lower rates, in Skokie, 88% of businesses saved on average 44% on their bills
- Stabilized price increases through long-term contract provisions that limit annual escalators (in many cases, fuel surcharges have been eliminated)
- Reduction in greenhouse gases, and road wear and tear due to increased efficiency of routing/collecting commercial waste
- Increased recycling opportunities

The enclosed survey is a vital step in the process of determining whether commercial franchising will be beneficial to the Village's business community. The survey will provide the Village with an understanding of which haulers collect waste and what percentage of the businesses they collect from, what collection costs are for certain sized containers, and whether businesses currently recycle or not. This data will then be compiled in a report that will be made available for your review.

Your participation in this survey is very important. Please follow the instructions on the survey and return it either to SWALCO, using the self-addressed stamped envelope or by **faxing** it to **SWALCO at: 847/336-9374**. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Debra Ogorzaly
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Executive Director, Wauconda Chamber of Commerce

VILLAGE OF WAUCONDA • 2009 COMMERCIAL WASTE COLLECTION SURVEY
(Please Print)

Name of Business: _____
Name & Title of Responder: _____
Business Address: _____
Business Telephone: _____ Number of Employees at this Location: _____
Email Address: _____

1. How often is waste collected at your place of business? (Please check one)
 1x per week 2x per week 3x per week 4x per week 5x per week Other (Please detail below): _____

2. What size exterior waste collection containers does your business currently use? (Please check all that apply and detail quantity of each)

- a. 90 gallon cart(s)..... _____ Number of containers this size
- b. 1 cubic yard dumpster(s)..... H 46" x W 29"..... _____ Number of containers this size
- c. 1.5 cubic yard dumpster(s)..... H 49" x W 37"..... _____ Number of containers this size
- d. 2 cubic yard dumpster(s)..... H 50" x W 38"..... _____ Number of containers this size
- e. 4 cubic yard dumpster(s)..... H 52" x W 60"..... _____ Number of containers this size
- f. Other size of container(s) or dimensions (Please specify size and number) _____

3. Does your business use a waste compactor along with your waste container(s)? No Yes

4. What is the name of the waste hauler(s) that services your business? _____

5. How much do you pay for present **Waste Services**? \$ _____ Monthly Quarterly

➤ **Please attach a copy of your most recent bill to this survey**

6. Does your business **Recycle**? No Yes • If yes, answer the following:

- a. Who is your recycling hauler? _____
- b. How much do you pay for recycling collection service? \$ _____ Monthly Quarterly
- c. How often is recyclable material collected? _____
- d. What size recycling container(s) are utilized? _____
- e. Number of containers this size? _____
- f. What items are collected in your recycling program? (Please check all that apply):
 Cardboard Mixed Paper Newspaper Plastics Metals Glass Pallets/Wood
 Other (Detail below): _____

If no, why not? _____

Please return this survey using the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope, or fax it to **SWALCO at (847) 336-9374**.
If you have questions, please contact **Pete Adrian at 847/336-9340 x 3**.



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