



Memorandum

Date: April 23, 2012
To: All Interested Parties
From: Lisa Steinman
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Re: Addendum #1 for ELECTRONIC WASTE COLLECTION EVENT SERVICES

Addendum #1 Questions & Answers

1. Question:

Under Exhibit A, Electronic Waste Collection Events, Proposed Scope of Services item (10)2 it states that 2 points will be awarded for having signed the e-Steward Pledge. This program has been phased out and replaced by the Certified e-Stewards Recyclers program. From the BAN website: "The Pledge program ceased accepting new recyclers on October 15th, 2009 in order to transition to the fully accredited Certified e-Stewards Recyclers program, which was launched on April 15th, 2009. At that time, Pledged e-Stewards Recyclers were given until August 31, 2011 to remain in the e-Stewards program while they worked to set up an ISO 14001 environmental management system and e-waste management systems that conformed with the new e-Stewards Standard for the Recycling and Reuse of Electronic Waste®. They also had to contract and schedule on-site audits with an accredited e-Stewards Certification Body. Multi-site companies would be allowed an 18-month period after the completion of the certification of their first site/facility in order to the complete certification of all remaining company sites. While the qualified Pledged e-Stewards Recyclers were given time to transition to certification, the e-Stewards website listed Qualified Pledged e-Stewards Recyclers, Certified e-Stewards Recyclers and recyclers with Certification in Progress. As scheduled, on August 31st, 2011, any Pledged e-Stewards that had not contracted for certification were removed from the site." Will the RFP be updated to reflect that the Pledge Program no longer exists?

Answer:

To clarify, preference will be given to Proposers who have obtained the e-Stewards Certification, which has replaced the e-Stewards Pledge program.

2. Question:

Is it possible to get a copy of the current contract pricing for Electronic Waste Collection Events? What is the pricing agreement the County has with the current vendor?

Answer:

The Sonoma County Waste Management Agency is paid \$0.15 (fifteen cents) per pound for all Covered Electronic Waste (SB 20 material) by the current Contractor.

3. Question:

Generally speaking, how large are the collections events? Average number of participants? Average volumes?

Answer:

The following numbers are the total pounds of e-waste collected at each event held in 2011:

| Location | Date | Pounds |
|---------------------|-----------------------|--------|
| Wells Fargo | January 8th & 9th | 33,398 |
| Oakmont | January 29th | 6,927 |
| Cloverdale | February 26th & 27th | 3,927 |
| Sebastopol | March 26th & 27th | 4,083 |
| Healdsburg | April 23rd & 24th | 10,495 |
| Rohnert Park | May 21st & 22nd | 10,623 |
| Sonoma - Friedman's | June 18th & 19th | 7,025 |
| Petaluma | July 30th & 31st | 19,787 |
| Coddingtontown | August 20th & 21st | 20,427 |
| Cotati Park & Ride | September 17th & 18th | 6,369 |
| Windsor Wal-Mart | October 15th & 16th | 11,262 |
| Petaluma | November 11th & 12th | 7,050 |

The number of participants varies by location and venue.

4. Question:

For clarification purposes, the highest points possible awarded for collection hours would be given for an event lasting 8-9 hours (3pts), whereas an event longer than 9 hours would only be awarded (2pts) under Exhibit A, Electronic Waste Collection Events, Proposed Scope of Services, item (6). Is this correct?

Answer:

The preference is to have the events last at least 8 hours. It is harder to secure venues for events lasting longer than 9 hours.

5. Question:

The events have for the most part historically been held on Saturdays and Sundays from 8am-4pm. Is there a volume difference between volumes on Saturday versus Sunday? Have the events ever been held on weekdays? Is there any volume or participant data for weekday events in the case they were held on weekdays?

Answer:

Historically, Saturdays tend to receive more participation than Sundays. The events held through this Contract have taken place on the weekends only. Therefore, there is no historical data for events held on weekdays.

6. Question:

Is there steady traffic during the 8am-4pm event window? Or do certain hours prove to have heavier traffic?

Answer:

The traffic flow usually varies throughout the event. The early morning hours tend to be slower. During winter hours, it is more effective to end events by 4:00. Cleanup of the site can then take place during daylight hours.