

**CITY OF RAMSEY  
CONTRACT FOR CURBSIDE RECYCLING SERVICES**

This agreement is made as of the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2013, between the City of Ramsey, a Minnesota Municipal Corporation (“City”), and Ace Solid Waste, Inc a Minnesota corporation 6601 McKinley St. NW, Ramsey, MN (“Contractor”).

The City and the Contractor agree as follows:

**SECTION 1.                    PURPOSE**

The purpose of this agreement is to establish a curbside Recycling Program for the collection of Recyclable Materials from residents of the City of Ramsey.

**SECTION 2.                    DEFINITIONS**

For purposes of this Contract, the following words and terms shall have the definitions given them by this section.

- A. “CITY ADMINISTRATOR” means the then duly appointed and qualified City Administrator of the City of Ramsey.
- B. “CONTAINER” means plastic wheeled carts with lids provided by and maintained by the Contractor in which Recyclable Materials can be stored and later placed at curbside for collection as specified by the City.
- C. “RECYCLING PROGRAM” means the collecting of all Recyclable Materials accumulated in Containers at Residential Properties located within the City and the transporting of the Recyclable Materials to a site where they can be processed for the marketplace as determined by the Contractor.
- D. “RECYCLABLE MATERIALS” means glass containers having no plastic, metal or other lids, plastic containers, tubs and lids, metal beverage and food cans, newspapers, corrugated cardboard, boxboard defined as cereal, cake, and chip boxes, paper cartons defined as juice, milk, soup and broth cartons, mixed mail, paperback books, magazines and phone books and other materials as mutually agreed by the City and Contractor.
- E. “RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY” means all single family and other residential dwelling units where a separate driveway and/or garage exists for each unit or group of units within City limits. Multi-unit apartment buildings and residential dwelling units above commercial businesses, which, for the purposes of this contract, are not defined as Residential Property, are specifically excluded from this contract.

- F. "SINGLE SORT RECYCLING" means residents may place all Recyclable Materials in the Container provided without sorting by type of material.

**SECTION 3. SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED**

- A. The Contractor shall collect at curbside all Recyclable Materials from every Residential Property in the City on an every other week schedule. The Contractor will inform the City of the current collection schedule and update the schedule if it changes. If the Contractor desires to change the collection day for any Residential Property, or group of properties, the request must be submitted in writing to the City. Changes in collection days cannot be made without advance approval of the City. The Contractor is responsible for educating residents of any day change with at least two education notices.
- B. The Contractor shall not be required to make regular collections on State of Minnesota legal holidays; provided, however, that collection shall occur on the routes reasonably in advance thereof or thereafter in the opinion of the City and Contractor so that the every other week schedule can be completed regardless of a holiday.
- C. The Contractor shall provide the following equipment and labor biannually for recycling days:
1. Roll-off boxes or equivalent as mutually agreed upon by the City and Contractor for the drop off of scrap metal and Recyclable Materials by City residents.
  2. All required labor for loading and removal of materials collected
  3. Trucking services for the delivery and removal of the roll-off boxes
- D. The Contractor will provide every Residential Property with a Container. Single family homes will receive a sixty-five (65) gallon size Container and each townhome will receive a thirty-five (35) gallon size Container. After ninety (90) days, residents may exchange their delivered Container with a smaller or larger Container based on their needs. Container exchanges for size are limited to once per year per resident.
- E. The Contractor will support Recycling Program promotion as follows:
1. When Containers are delivered for the Single Sort Recycling Program, the Contractor will include a printed flyer detailing and promoting the program.
  2. The Contractor, in conjunction with City, will develop a promotional program that includes a quarterly recycling participation contest and an "opt-in" e-mail address database for those residents who want to be kept informed on the latest recycling developments.

3. In order to help the City identify new recyclers, the Contractor will send a monthly "Cart Delivered" report to the City.
  4. All Containers delivered for recycling will have a printed education flyer attached to the lid outlining the details of the Recycling Program.
  5. The Contractor will meet with the City at least once every quarter to discuss and consider outreach and educational information and materials to promote recycling, target specific Recyclable Materials, and identify problem materials that are not acceptable.
- F. The Contractor will provide Containers or equivalent at the City's public works facility for delivery of Recyclable Materials collected by City employees in the City parks and at City events. Size of Containers and frequency of collection will match the need. Public "drop-off" will not be allowed.

#### **SECTION 4. TERM OF CONTRACT**

- A. The term of this Contract shall be January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2017 (the "Contract Term").
- B. This Contract may be renewed at the City's option. Any renewal shall be subject to mutual Contract amendments proposed by the City and/or the Contractor. The unit cost of the Recycling Program shall be negotiated by the City and the Contractor prior to the granting of the renewal. The City may, however, in its sole discretion, seek competitive bids for renewal, and in its discretion, select another Contractor.
- C. The City shall notify the Contractor a minimum of three (3) months prior to the Contract's termination if the City intends to request a renewal. If the Contractor intends to cease a provision of recycling services it shall notify the City at least six (6) months prior to the Contract's termination. If the Contractor notifies the City of its intent to cease a provision of recycling services, it shall not bid on the new Contract.

#### **SECTION 5. PREPARATION FOR COLLECTION**

- A. All occupants of Residential Properties in the City will be directed to prepare and store Recyclable Materials in a manner consistent with the Contractor's collection program.
- B. City residents will be advised that Containers in which Recyclable Materials have been stored must be placed on the boulevard area of the street in front of their residence for collection. Containers must be placed for collection by **6:30am** on the scheduled day of collection.
- C. All Recyclable Materials placed for collection shall be owned by, and be the responsibility of, the occupants of each Residential Property until said materials are handled by the Contractor. Upon handling of the Containers and Recyclable

Materials by the Contractor, the Recyclable Materials become the property and responsibility of the Contractor.

**SECTION 6. CONTRACTOR'S EQUIPMENT**

- A. All vehicles used by the Contractor in picking up the Recyclable Materials from the Residential Properties shall be painted and marked uniformly and shall be identified on both sides of the vehicle. Broom and shovel in good usable condition shall be placed and maintained on each vehicle.
- B. The Contractor shall make all collections of Recyclable Materials in vehicles with closed tops on the load portion so that contents will not spill or leak. All of the Contractor's receptacles and vehicles shall be kept clean and as free from offensive odors as possible and shall not be allowed to stand in any street or other place longer than is reasonably necessary to collect Recyclable Materials.
- C. The Contractor shall keep all equipment used in the performance of the work required by this Contract in good operating condition and in a clean, sanitary condition and shall thoroughly wash each vehicle at least twice each month or before each semi-monthly collection unless the same has not been used since the last washing. All of the Contractor's equipment is subject to periodic inspection by the City to assure that said vehicles and/or equipment are being maintained in a clean and sanitary condition.

**SECTION 7. CONTRACTOR'S OPERATIONS**

- A. The Contractor shall establish and maintain, in a location approved by the City Administrator, an office staffed and capable of accepting complaints and customer calls. The office shall be in service during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on all days of collection as specified herein. The address and telephone number of the office shall be given to the City in writing. Any changes in address and telephone number of the office shall be given to the City in writing at least ten (10) working days prior to such change.
- B. The Contractor shall collect curbside Recyclable Materials between the hours of 7:00am – 6:00pm or as mutually agreed upon by the Contractor and the City.
- C. Complaints on service will be taken and collected by the City in addition to those received at the Contractor's office. The City will notify the Contractor of all complaints it receives. The Contractor is responsible for all corrective actions. A record of all such complaints and the action taken thereon shall be kept by the Contractor and reported to the City's Community Development Department whenever requested. All complaints shall be answered by the Contractor courteously and promptly.

- D. The City shall notify the Contractor by 12:00 noon on the work day following the scheduled pick-up of all missed stops. The Contractor is required to service such locations before 5:00 p.m. on the date of notification.
- E. The Contractor's employees shall handle all Containers with reasonable care to avoid damage, shall replace all Containers in an upright position and shall immediately clean up and dispose of any Recyclable Materials which may have fallen out of a Container.
- F. The performance of the Contract shall be done by the Contractor with forces which are adequate to insure the satisfactory collection and disposal of the Recyclable Materials at all times. Contractor's failure to perform shall not be excused by adverse conditions of weather, breakdown and similar hindrances which on other work might be regarded as "acts of providence".
- G. The Contractor shall certify that the materials collected in the Recycling Program are delivered to a recycling processing center. Materials found to be landfilled will be in violation of City ordinance and will cause the Contractor to incur the penalties listed in the City's recycling ordinance.

**SECTION 8. COMPENSATION**

- A. The City will compensate the Contractor for the collection of Recyclable Materials from City residents at a rate of \$2.95 per month per Residential Property for the duration of the Contract.
- B. The number of Residential Properties will be updated not less than every calendar quarter and will be equal to the number of Residential Properties billed for participation in the Recycling Program through the City's utility billing system.
- C. The rate per Residential Property is fixed and cannot be changed without mutual agreement of both parties.

**SECTION 9. FILING OF REPORTS**

The Contractor shall submit a monthly summary describing the residents' participation rate, the quantity (tonnage) and kinds of all Recyclable Materials collected and the primary purchaser(s) of the Recyclable Materials. Monthly summaries shall be submitted no later than the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the month following the month for which the report is submitted.

**SECTION 10. ACCESS TO RECORDS**

The Contractor shall permit the City to review its books, documents, papers and records which are directly related to the performance of this Contract for the purpose of making an audit, and other examinations deemed necessary by the City.

**SECTION 11. INSURANCE**

Prior to the commencement of this Contract, the Contractor shall furnish the City with certificates or copies of the following policies of insurance, approved by the City Administrator, showing that such insurance is in force. All endorsements shall apply to both bodily injury or death and property damage coverage.

- A. Comprehensive general public liability insurance insuring against liability for bodily injury or death, in the sum of \$500,000 for any one person and in the sum of \$1,000,000 for two or more persons in the same occurrence, and for damages to property in the sum of \$500,000.
- B. Workers' compensation insurance and employers' liability insurance as required by law.
- C. Automobile liability and property damage insurance, including coverage for non-owned and hired vehicles, in limits as for comprehensive general public liability coverage stated above.

The City shall be named as an additional insured on the above policies, for coverage needed only for work, as specified in this Contract, which endorsement shall provide that coverage may not be terminated or changed by the insurer except upon 30 days' written notice to the City Administrator.

No policy shall contain any provisions for exclusions from liability other than provisions for exclusion from liability forming part of the standard basic unamended and unendorsed form of policy, except that no exclusion will be permitted in any event if it conflicts with a coverage expressly required in this Contract, and in addition, no policy shall contain any exclusion from bodily injury to, or sickness, disease or death of any coverage under the contractual liability endorsement of the liability of the Contractor under this Contract. Compliance by the Contractor with the foregoing requirements to carry insurance and furnish certificates shall not relieve the Contractor from liability assumed under any provisions of this Contract.

## **SECTION 12. INDEMNIFICATION**

The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the City and its officers, agents and employees from and against all claims, damages, losses or expenses, including attorney fees, for which it may be held liable, arising out of or resulting from the assertion against them of any claims, debts or obligations in consequence of the performance of this Contract by the Contractor, its employees, agents or subcontractors.

Nothing in this Contract shall be construed to create an employer/employee, partnership, joint venture, license or agency relationship between the parties hereto and neither party shall have the right or authority to bind the other in any manner. For purposes of this Contract, Contractor shall be deemed an "independent contractor" as defined by law. Contractor's employees shall not be entitled to any employment benefits given to City employees.

**SECTION 13. TERMINATION**

The City shall have the right to terminate this Contract prior to the expiration of its term if in the City's opinion, there has been a breach of its terms by the Contractor or if the City decides to change the way in which it provides for the refuse and recycling services.

**SECTION 14. PENALTIES AND DAMAGES**

- A. Failure by the Contractor to perform under this Contract, may result in its termination and/or claims by the City for damages.
- B. In the event of breach of this Contract by the Contractor, or proven negligence by the Contractor, the Contractor agrees to pay, in addition to the actual damages sustained by the City as a result thereof, the reasonable attorney's fees incurred by the City in pursuing any of its rights under this Contract.

**SECTION 15. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS**

The Contractor binds itself, its successors, executors, administrators and assigns to the City in respect to all covenants of this Contract, except that the Contractor shall not assign or transfer any part of its interest in this Contract nor shall the Contractor assign any moneys due, or to become due, without the City's written consent.

**SECTION 16. AMENDMENT, MODIFICATION OR WAIVER**

No amendment, modification, or waiver of any condition, provision, or term of this Contract shall be valid or of any effect unless made in writing, signed by the party or parties to be bound or by its duly authorized representative, and specifying with particularity the extent and nature of such amendment, modification, or waiver. Any waiver by any party or any default of another party shall not affect or impair any right arising from any subsequent default.

**SECTION 17. SEVERABLE PROVISIONS**

Each provision, section, sentence, clause, phrase, and word of this Contract is intended to be severable. If any provision, section, sentence, clause, phrase, or word hereof is illegal or invalid for any reason whatsoever, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Contract.

**SECTION 18. ENTIRE CONTRACT**

This Contract contains the entire understanding of the parties hereto with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby and supersedes all prior agreements and understanding between the parties with respect to such subject matter. No representations, warranties, undertakings, or promises, whether oral, implied, written, or otherwise, have been made by either party hereto to the other unless expressly stated in this Contract or unless mutually agreed to in writing between the parties hereto after the date hereof, and neither party has relied on any verbal representations, agreements, or understandings not expressly set forth herein.

**SECTION 19.**

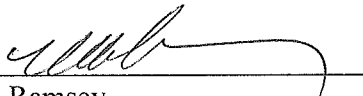
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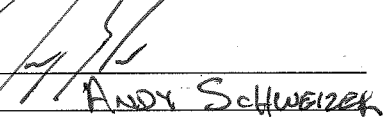
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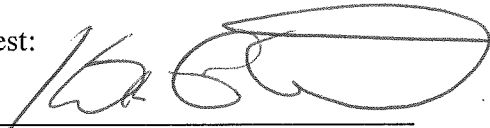
The representative of Ace Solid Waste, Inc., hereby acknowledges receipt of this Contract and has reviewed the conditions of this Contract and has agreed that they comply with the terms of this Contract.

**CITY OF RAMSEY, MINNESOTA**

**ACE SOLID WASTE, INC.**

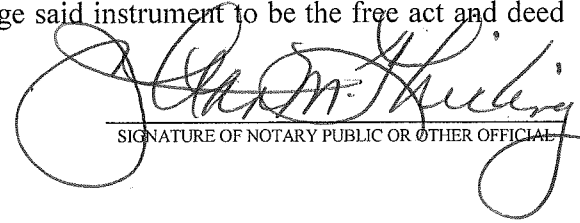
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Its Mayor

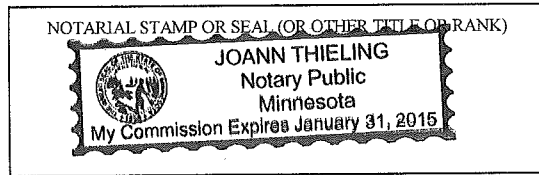
By:   
ANDY SCHWEIZER  
Its President

Attest:  
By:   
Kurtis G. Ulrich  
Its City Administrator

STATE OF MINNESOTA    )  
  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF ANOKA     )


On this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2012, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Bob Ramsey and Kurtis G. Ulrich, to me personally known, who, being each by me duly sworn did say that they are respectively the Mayor and City Administrator of the City of Ramsey, the Municipal Corporation named in the foregoing instrument, and the seal affixed to said instrument is the corporate seal of said Municipal Corporation, and the said instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of said Municipal Corporation by authority of its City Council and said Bob Ramsey and Kurtis G. Ulrich acknowledge said instrument to be the free act and deed of said Municipal Corporation.

  
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STATE OF MINNESOTA    )  
  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF ANOKA     )

On this 11 day of September, 12, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Andy Schweser, the President of Ace Solid Waste, Inc., a Domestic Corporation under the laws of the State of Minnesota, on behalf of the corporation.

  
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