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Mr. Jeff Tillman, President South Tahoe Refuse Company, Inc. dba American River Disposal Service 2140 Ruth Avenue South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

Re: Recycling Programs for the American River Disposal Service Franchise Service Area

Dear Mr. Tillman:

During the August 18, 2008 Board of Supervisors Special Meeting to discuss solid waste issues within the County of El Dorado, the Board gave direction to Environmental Management Department (EMD) staff to research the feasibility of introducing new or enhanced recycling programs for the unincorporated areas of the County. EMD staff was further directed to bring back to the Board on October 7, 2008 staff's recommendations regarding a plan to for new or enhanced recycling programs.

As you are aware the NewPoint Group Solid Waste Rate and Service Study was also presented to the Board during the Special Meeting on August 18, 2008. The Study concluded that American River Disposal Service (ARDS) could provide blue bag recycling outside of the can for residential customers.

Please provide EMD with your written plan for a blue bag program for residential customers within the ARD franchise area. The plan should include a timeline of no later than January 1, 2009. The plan should also include other potential options for enhancing recycling, such as central locations for mixed recycling and/or green waste collection.

In order to meet submittal deadlines for the October 7th Board of Supervisors meeting, please remit ARDS' written plan to EMD no later than 5:00 PM, Friday, September 5, 2008. In addition, please contact Kevin Gilliland no later than September 5, 2008 to schedule a meeting the following week to discuss ARDS' plan with EMD staff. All plans must be finalized by September 12, 2008.

If you have any questions you reach me at 530-621-6653 or <u>gsilva@co.el-dorado.ca.us</u>. You may also contact Greg Stanton at 530-621-6658 or <u>gstanton@co.el-dorado.ca.us</u>.

Respectfully,

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Cc: Gayle Erbe-Hamlin, CAO, County of El Dorado