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## COUNTY OF EL DORADO ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

June 23, 2009

To:

**Board of Supervisors** 

From: Gerri Silva, Director of Environmental Management

Re:

El Dorado Disposal Rate Hearing

The following is additional information related to the CPI clarification as requested on June 16, 2009.

<u>CPI</u>

CPI language in the agreement - (handout page 1)

US Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes: (handout page 2)

San Francisco - Oakland - San Jose

LA - Riverside - Orange Co

San Diego

Western Urban rollup index

State of California Department of Industrial Relations Division of Labor Statistics has an All Items State of California. (handout page 3)

Source data for the State of California index is generated from the US Bureau of Labor Statistics. (handout page 3)

Tied back the source data and verified by handout provided by Supervisor Sweeney. (handout page 4)

To the best of Environmental Management's knowledge the Ca Dept of Industrial Relations- Division of Labor Statistics is the closest index to the terms of the Franchise Agreement.

A historical review of the CPI back to the inception of the agreement in August 2004 shows the index used was the CA Division of Labor Statistics all items for the State of California with the source data verified to be generated by the US Bureau of Labor Statistics.

### Timeframe of index to calculate the CPI

The timeframe example in the agreement of January 1, 2004-December 30, 2004 appears to be unsubstantiated.

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Starting in 1998 the US Bureau of Labor Statistics stopped publishing some of the indexes monthly and went to a bi-monthly index reporting. Currently and in 2004 an index was not produced for the period of January.

Historically the, calculation of the CPI has been based on the annual averages of the calculation years. Meaning the bi-monthly indexes are averaged, and the change in those annual averages was the resulting increase.

Please note the chart provided that shows the percentage of increase if the December to December calculation was to be used over the term of the agreement vs the annual averages that were used to determine the increases. (handout page 5)

- (4) <u>Commercial Rates</u>. Contractor shall ensure that its rates for commercial collection services within the Franchise Area are comparable to and competitive with Contractor's commercial rates to customers in neighboring jurisdictions.
- (5) Extra Charges. Contractor shall not impose extra charges on Customers for extra services or for other reasons, except where expressly allowed by the Rate Schedule approved by the Board of Supervisors. Contractor's Ombudsman shall be readily available to answer customer complaints regarding extra charges.
- B. Time for Rate Settings and Rate Settings Procedures. The Board of Supervisors shall set the rates to be charged by Contractor pursuant to this Agreement annually at the beginning of each Operating Year (commencing with July 1, 2005), unless a longer period is agreed on by the County and Contractor; provided, however, that Contractor's rates shall remain unchanged unless Contractor submits a written request to the Board of Supervisors for a rate adjustment no earlier than January 1<sup>st</sup> and no later than April 1<sup>st</sup> prior to the commencement of each new Operating Year. The Board of Supervisors may also (but is not obligated to) act on its own initiative in the event Contractor declines to request a CPI adjustment to its rates, and adjust Contractor's rates consistent with the CPI formula in this Agreement.

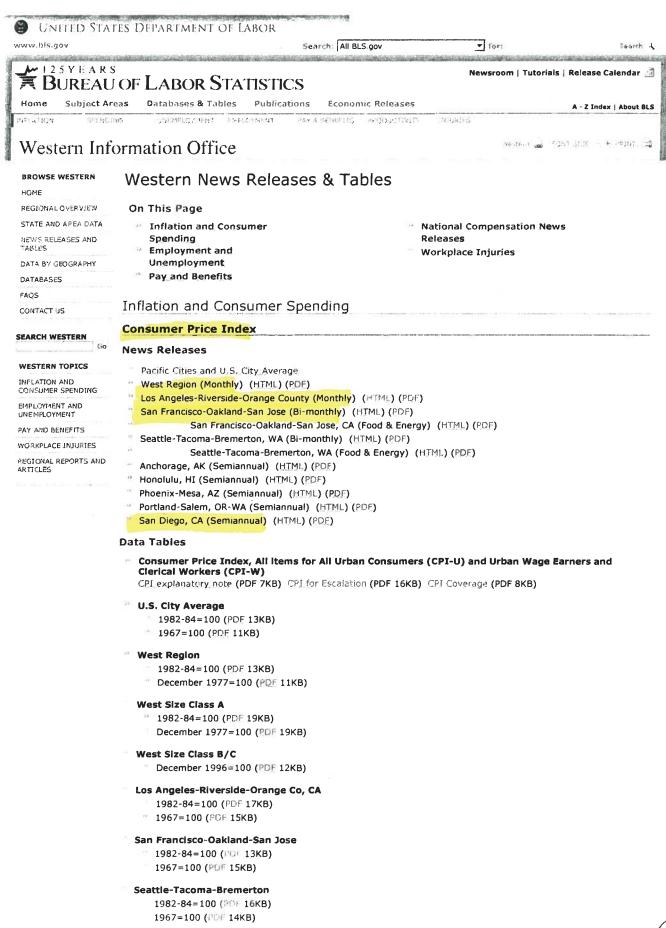
The Contractor shall provide written notice to each rate payer in a form approved by the County, of the time, date and place of each hearing set by the Board of Supervisors to set rates. Contractor shall provide said notice at least ten (10) but no more than sixty (60) days prior to such date.

Except as provided in Section 22.A.2, Contractor expressly assumes the risk that its costs may be higher than the rates in this Agreement shall provide compensation for, or that its revenues may be lower than projected.

By this Agreement, neither the County nor its governing body or employees or consultants agree, guarantee or warrant that such Contractor will achieve reimbursement for all of its operating costs or pass-through costs, or that Contractor will achieve any profit margin.

C. <u>Inflation/Deflation Adjustment</u>. Subject to the limitations specified in the foregoing paragraphs regarding New Services, Contractor's rates for services described in Exhibit C (but exclusive of Franchise Fees) shall be adjusted, upward or downward, annually, effective July 1<sup>st</sup> of each year during the Term of this Agreement, commencing on July 1, 2005, based on the increase or decrease in the Consumer Price Index- All Items- for the State of California, published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics ("CPI") during the most recent twelve month period ending no later than December 30 of the calendar year preceding the upcoming Operating Year. Thus, if the CPI increased 3% from January 1, 2004 through December 30, 2004, then Contractor's rates in Exhibit B and B1 would be subject to a 3% increase effective as of July 1, 2005.

In the event the CPI index is no longer published, the parties shall confer in good faith to select an alternative index and shall confirm their agreement on a substitute index in writing. If the parties are unable to agree on a substitute index, either party may submit the selection of the substitute index to binding arbitration before a single arbitrator pursuant to the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association. All percentages shall be computed to the third decimal place and the change in Contractor's rates shall be calculated to the nearest cent (\$.01).



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Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. Beginning with January 1998 data, indices for San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose will be published bi-monthly on even months only (February, April, June, etc.). Beginning with the January 2007 data, indices published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics will be rounded to three decimal places (see http://www.bls.gov/cpi/cpithreedec.htm). The California indices conform to this change.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: As of April 1, 2008, subscribers will no longer receive paper copies of the Pacific Cities CPI Summary in the mail. The Pacific Cities CPI summary will continue to be available on the internet at http://www.bls.gov/ro9/pachist.htm.

# CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES PACIFIC CITIES AND U.S. CITY AVERAGE **APRIL 2009**

## **ALL ITEMS INDEXES**

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Release date May 15, 2009. The next monthly releases are scheduled to be issued on June 17, 2009, and the next bi-monthly releases are scheduled to be issued on July 15, 2009. The The next semi-annual releases are scheduled to be issued on August 14, 2009.

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CA Division of Labor Statistics CPI for the State of California

		Annual		Change	
	December	Average	% Change	Annual	Implementation
Year	Index	Index	December	Average	Year
2002	187.2	186.1			
2003	190.1	190.4	1.5%	2.3%	2004
2004	197	195.4	3.6%	2.6%	2005
2005	204.2	202.6	3.7%	3.7%	2006
2006	211	210.5	3.3%	3.9%	2007
2007	219.59	217.42	4.1%	3.3%	2008
2008	219.77	224.8	0.1%	3.4%	2009

### CPI granted to El Dorado Disposal

2004	2.3%
2005	2.6%
2006	3.7%
2007	3.9%
2008	3.3%

