

Office of the County Executive
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Department of Environmental Facilities

Thomas J. Lauro, P.E.
Commissioner

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August 7, 2015

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

**FROM: Thomas J. Lauro, P.E.
Commissioner of Environmental Facilities**

RE: Authorization to apply for and enter into a Grant Agreement with the State of New York ("State") as part of the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program for the State DEC 2015 Fiscal Grant Year, Pursuant to Chapter 610 of the Laws of 1993

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), pursuant to Chapter 610 of the Laws of 1993, provides financial assistance to local governments for programs involving household hazardous waste collection and proper disposal. Administered by DEC, the Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) State Assistance Program funds up to 50% of actual and eligible expenses incurred by local governments on a yearly basis. While the approval of your Honorable Board is not required by the County Charter to apply for such grants, the State's application procedure requires it.

The public purpose is to receive revenue from the State that will reimburse the County 50% of eligible costs associated with the operation, equipment and supplies related to the collection and proper disposal of HHW received at the County's Household Material Recovery Facility (H-MRF) in Valhalla. The goal and objective for entering into this contract is to take advantage of an existing State funding program that reimburses local solid waste managers for HHW related program costs, thus reducing the burden to the taxpayer. Authority is here requested whereby the County would enter into a grant agreement with the State for reimbursement of up to 50% of the actual and eligible expenses incurred by the County for its HHW collection program. All expenses related to this program have been appropriated in the 2014 and 2015 operating budgets for the Department of Environmental Facilities.

All expenses sent to the State for reimbursement must include proof of payment, whether by check number or copy of paid receipt. This application must be received by the NYS DEC by or before October 31, 2015, and the term of the proposed grant will be for expenses incurred from April 1, 2014, through March 31, 2015.

I certify that my department, (a) has copies of, or access to, all applicable laws, rules, regulations, grant applications, and grant agreements (including any master grant agreement), as well as any guidance or instruction received from the agency making the grant (the "Grant Terms"); (b) has reviewed the Grant Terms; (c) is aware of and understands all of the Grant Terms; and (d) can and will comply with all the Grant Terms.

A proposed resolution is hereby attached.

Division of Solid Waste
Wastewater Treatment
Water Agency



RESOLUTION

Based upon a communication from the Commissioner of Environmental Facilities,

WHEREAS, chapter 610 of the Laws of 1993 provides New York State ("State") assistance for local government household hazardous waste collection programs; and

WHEREAS, Westchester County ("County") conducts programs related to the collection and proper disposal of household hazardous wastes, and has examined and duly considered Chapter 610 of the Laws of 1993 of the State of New York and deems it to be in the public's best interest and benefit to file an application under these laws; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that a grant agreement by and between the State, acting through the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), and Westchester County, be executed for such State assistance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Westchester County Board of Acquisition and Contract as follows:

RESOLVED, that the County is hereby authorized to apply for and enter into a grant agreement with the State whereby the County will be reimbursed of up to 50% of actual and eligible expenses incurred by the County for its Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Program following submission of an application in the form required by the State and in conformity with Chapter 610 of the Laws of 1993 and rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, including all understandings and assurances contained in said application; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County has fully funded all costs associated with the H-MRF operation in 2014 and 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the term of the grant will be from April 1, 2014, to March 31, 2015, to cover the state's 2015 fiscal grant year program; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee, namely the Commissioner of Environmental Facilities, is hereby authorized to execute all instruments necessary to implement this Resolution.

Account to be
Charged/Credited

	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars
Est.	251	60	7700	9734		\$101,486

Budget Funding Year(s): 2015 Start Date: April 1, 2014 End Date: March 31, 2015
(must match resolution)

Funding Source

Tax Dollars _____

State Aid \$101,486 (est. @ 50% of total expenses)

Federal Aid _____

\$101,486

Other (revenue)

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION CONTRACT - 09/10/2015 - JOAN COCCARDI, SECRETARY