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Calvert County, Md., Board of County Commissioners Approves Solid Waste Tip Fee Increase

PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – June 14, 2010 – As part of the fiscal year 2011 budget, the Calvert County, Md., Board of County Commissioners has approved incremental increases in solid waste tip fees for all solid waste from commercial customers, Calvert County residents, and out-of-county customers.

The new fees apply to chargeable loads of solid waste brought to the Appeal Landfill. The following new tip fees (the cost per ton of solid waste disposed of at the transfer station or in the landfill) will become effective July 1, 2010:

- All out-of-county and commercial customers: \$70.98 per ton (up from \$70.85)
- Calvert County residents with chargeable loads: \$63.89 per ton (up from \$63.77)

Calvert County residents are charged for disposal of the following items at the Appeal Landfill:

- Construction and demolition debris: doors, windows, cabinets, sinks, tubs, toilets, carpet, drywall, wood, fencing, sheds, siding, shutters, shingles, etc.
- Yard debris: leaves, branches, trees, etc.
- Mixed loads: construction and demolition debris and/or yard debris mixed with household trash

Calvert County residents are not charged for bagged household waste, metal or other items separated for recycling.

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The tip fee increase is tied to changes in the Consumer Price Index under an agreement reached last year between the county and Waste Management, Inc. The agreement includes the provision for annual disposal fee adjustments, with a maximum annual adjustment of 3 percent.

For more information, contact the Calvert County Department of Public Works Solid Waste Division at 410-326-0210, e-mail Solid Waste Division Chief Michael Thomas at thomasma@co.cal.md.us, or visit online at www.co.cal.md.us.

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Calvert County is Maryland's smallest county in land area with 213 square miles. It is home to approximately 90,000 people and has one of the highest standards of living in Maryland. There are more than 5,000 businesses in the County and a labor force of at least 1.8 million resides within a one-hour drive. Major industries include defense contracting, information technology, tourism, utilities, light manufacturing and administrative services.