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Mr. William M. Merry, General Manager
Monterey Regional Waste Management District
14201 Del Monte Blvd.
P.O. Box 1670
Marina, CA 93933-1670

Dear Mr. Merry,

The City of Capitola would like to request the Monterey Regional Waste Management District (District) consider formalizing the existing practice of accepting the City of Capitola's waste in the form of a long term contract. The City has been utilizing the District's landfill since the early '90's when the City's franchisee Carmel Marina Corporation began taking our waste to the District's landfill in Marina.

The City annually generates 10.5 thousand tons of waste and diverts up to 3 thousand tons per year for recycling. This relatively small amount of waste would not impact the District's goal of maintaining a 75 year capacity for your member agencies. Capitola is thoroughly committed to reducing our waste stream. Capitola has recently adopted a resolution declaring a diversion goal of 75% by 2010 and are in the process of implementing new programs to reduce the 10.5 thousand tons significantly in the future.

A long term contract would be beneficial for both of our Agencies, a stable and predictable source of revenue for the District and for the City, the assurance of long term landfill capacity.

Thank you for considering our request. I look forward to speaking with you soon regarding this issue and can be reached at (831) 475-7300.

Sincerely,

Richard Hill
City Manager