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July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007

Mr. William Merry,  
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Dear Mr. Merry,

On behalf of CIFAL Atlanta, UNITAR, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Landfill Methane Outreach Program, it is my honor to invite you to speak at the upcoming forum "Greener Landfills." This forum will take place September 17 & 18 in Davis, California. I would like to ask you to speak on a panel on Landfill Gas-to-Energy, to take place at 9:00am on September 18<sup>th</sup>. You would have 15 minutes to present a case study of Monterey's successful landfill gas-to-energy project.

The event will bring together approximately 100 senior-level policy makers, elected officials, and solid waste practitioners from the public and private sector. Delegates will travel from major cities within California, China, Latin America, Africa, and the continental United States. The forum will explore best practices in sustainable solid waste management policy, public-private partnerships, solid waste combustion, landfill gas-to-energy projects, greenhouse gas reductions, and alternative solid waste management practices.

CIFAL Atlanta is the International Center for the Training of Local Authorities. Its mission is to facilitate best-practice sharing amongst local government participants and to support them in their mission to achieve the Millennium Development Goals. CIFAL Atlanta's expertise lies in gender equality, HIV/AIDs, economic development, and environmental sustainability.

As a speaker, CIFAL Atlanta would cover roundtrip airfare on Delta airlines, hotel stay during the program, and waive the registration fee. We ask that you confirm your participation in writing by July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2007. When you confirm, please include a copy of your bio, your abstract, and your flight preferences.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jennifer Wilson, Program Director - Environmental Sustainability, CIFAL Atlanta. She can be reached at +1-404-446-4178 or [jwilson@cifalatlanta.org](mailto:jwilson@cifalatlanta.org).

Sincerely,

**Alex Mejia**  
**Executive Director**  
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# Greener Landfills

UC Davis, Davis, California  
September 17-18, 2007

<b>September 17, 2007</b>			
8:00 am	<b>Registration</b>		
9:00 am	<p><b>Inaugural Breakfast-</b> welcoming remarks by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Alex Mejia, Executive Director, CIFAL Atlanta</li> <li>· Chancellor Vanderhoef (TBC), UC Davis</li> <li>· Yolo County Board of Supervisors (TBD)</li> <li>· Brian Guzzone, Team Leader, EPA Landfill Methane Outreach Program</li> <li>· Conference of Mayors representative (TBD)</li> <li>· Clinton Foundation representative (TBD)</li> </ul>		
10:00 am	<p><b>Environmental, Economic, and Social Impacts and Opportunities from Solid Waste for Communities in California and Beyond</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Nathaniel Greene, Natural Resources Defense (TBC)</li> <li>· Economic Development Office for California (TBC)</li> <li>· Margo Brown, Chair, California Integrated Waste Management Board (TBC)</li> </ul>		
11:00 am	<p><b>Overview of UNITAR Methodology</b> – Knowledge Management for Best Practice Sharing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Alex Mejia, Executive Director, CIFAL Atlanta; Senior Special Fellow, UNITAR</li> </ul>		
12:00 pm	<p><b>Working lunch:</b> <b>UNITAR SESSION 1: Peer Assist Exercise</b> Delegates assess competency levels &amp; strengths for solid waste management policies and practices with input from participating cities, set priority areas and target levels for each priority levels. River &amp; Stairs diagram shown to participants; group seating assignments based on priority areas and competency levels.</p>		
2:00 pm	<table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top;"> <p><b>Consumer Society – Assessing the Implications for Sustainable Solid Waste Management Policy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Mark Murray, Executive Director, Californians against Waste (TBC)</li> <li>· Interface INC (TBC)</li> <li>· TBC</li> </ul> </td> <td style="vertical-align: top; padding-left: 20px;"> <p>Plenary session (45 min + Q &amp; A) + roundtable dialogue on best practices)</p> <p>Groups come up with a list of “challenges”, “best practices” (to overcome stated challenges” &amp; “additional resources”</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p><b>Consumer Society – Assessing the Implications for Sustainable Solid Waste Management Policy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Mark Murray, Executive Director, Californians against Waste (TBC)</li> <li>· Interface INC (TBC)</li> <li>· TBC</li> </ul>	<p>Plenary session (45 min + Q &amp; A) + roundtable dialogue on best practices)</p> <p>Groups come up with a list of “challenges”, “best practices” (to overcome stated challenges” &amp; “additional resources”</p>
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4:00 pm	<b>Extending the Life of Your Landfill</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brian Guzzone, Team Leader, LMOP</li> <li>• Paul Pabor, Waste Management INC.</li> <li>• Ramin Yadzini – Yolo County</li> </ul>	<b>Public-Private Partnerships – Ingredients for Success</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mayor TBC</li> <li>• Private sector</li> <li>• NGO (TBC)</li> </ul>	Informational “lecture-style” presentations
5:00	<b>End of day</b> – leave for dinner or reception (sponsorship opportunity - TBD)		
<b>September 18, 2007</b>			
8:00 am	<b>Continental Breakfast</b>		
9:00 pm	<b>Solid Waste Combustion</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Luis Diaz – (TBC)</li> <li>• Greg Vogt - International Solid Waste Association (TBC)</li> <li>• Covanta (TBC)</li> </ul>	<b>Landfill Gas-to-Energy</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brian Guzzone, Team Leader, LMOP</li> <li>• Jeff Pierce – SCS Energy (TBC)</li> <li>• Case study (TBC)</li> </ul>	Plenary session (45 min + Q & A, followed by roundtable dialogue on best practices)  Groups come up with a list of “challenges”, “best practices” (to overcome stated challenges” & “additional resources”
11:00 am	<b>Visit exhibition showcase;</b> post best practices from previous sessions		
12:00 pm	<b>Lunch</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sponsor keynote (TBC) + time for networking</li> </ul>		
1:00 pm	<b>Greenhouse Gas Reductions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TBC</li> <li>• TBC</li> <li>• Air Resources Board - TBC</li> </ul>	<b>Alternative Solid Waste Management practices &amp; technology presentations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UC Davis</li> <li>• TBC</li> <li>• TBC</li> </ul>	Plenary session (45 min + Q & A, followed by roundtable dialogue on best practices) list of “challenges”, “best practices” (to overcome stated challenges” & “additional resources”
3:30 pm	<b>Knowledge Fair, Exhibition Showcase, and Action Plans (Coffee and beverages)</b> Case studies, speakers, and technology vendors will be available for individual exchanges of experiences and ideas in the exhibition room of the conference space. Delegates have a chance to “request” or “offer” any information & to ask individual questions. Delegates will also form “action plans” for policies, practices they will look to implement in their landfills in the coming year		
4:30 pm	<b>Present Action Plans</b> Delegates are asked to share their action plans, along with a personal commitment		
5:00	End and optional tour of Yolo County Landfill		