# AGREEMENT FOR SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

THIS AGREEMENT (this Agreement) is made and entered into this <u>14th</u> day of <u>January</u>, 2004, by and between NASSAU COUNTY, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (hereinafter referred to as "The County") and ADVANCED DISPOSAL, a Florida Corporation (hereinafter referred to as "ADVANCED").

#### BACKGROUND FACTS

Nassau County operates the West Nassau Class I Sanitary Landfill (hereinafter referred to as "The Landfill") located on U.S. Highway 1, immediately north of Callahan, Florida, Nassau County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (hereinafter referred to as "The County"). ADVANCED is developing and will continue to develop business arrangements with commercial, institutional, industrial, manufacturing, and other customers in the geographic area in which the West Nassau Landfill is permitted to accept Solid Waste. ADVANCED desires to dispose of Solid Waste generated by its customers within such area in the West Nassau Landfill. Nassau County has agreed to accept and dispose of Solid Waste from sources in the Permitted Service Area of the Landfill collected and delivered by ADVANCED.

The parties desire to enter this Agreement to provide for the disposal of Solid Waste generated in the Permitted Service Area and collected and delivered by ADVANCED to the West Nassau Landfill and to set forth the terms, conditions, rights and remedies of the parties thereunto appertaining.

#### RECITAL OF CONSIDERATION

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and mutual covenants herein, and for Ten Dollars and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which and the adequacy of which are mutually acknowledged, with each party accordingly waiving any challenge to the sufficiency of such consideration, it is mutually covenanted, promised and agreed by the parties hereto as follows: challenge to the sufficiency of such consideration, it is mutually covenanted, promised and agreed by the parties hereto as follows:

### AGREEMENT

#### 1. DEFINITIONS

(a) "Ton", with respect to weights shall mean 2,000 pounds.

(b) "Change in Law" means any amendments to, or promulgation of any federal, state, county, city, or local statute, rule, regulation, or ordinance first becoming effective after the date of this Agreement that imposes, changes, modifies, and/or alters requirements upon:

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- the design, construction, operation, maintenance or closure of the West Nassau Landfill;
- (2)the disposal of Solid Waste at the West Nassau Landfill, or which statute, rule, regulation, or ordinance requires Nassau County to seek either an amendment or modification to, or reissuance of, licenses, certificates of public any permits, necessity, convenience and approval or authorization issued by any governmental body required for Nassau County. To construct, operate, maintain or close the West Nassau Landfill, or to dispose of Solid Waste of the West Nassau Landfill, or imposes additional requirements or prohibitions upon such construction, operation, maintenance, closure or disposal.
- (c) "Class I Solid Waste Disposal Facility" means any Class I Landfill so classified under Rule 62-701.340(3)(a) and (c), Florida Administrative Code, or any successor rule or regulation thereto, together with all contiguous land and structures, other appurtenances, and improvements on the land used for Solid Waste Management.
- (d) "Cost Substantiation" means, with respect to certain operating and capital costs or charges set forth in paragraph 5(d) for which Nassau County seeks to be compensated hereunder, the delivery to ADVANCED of a written statement signed by an authorized representative of the Contractor.
  - (1) setting forth in reasonable detail the nature and amount of such cost or charge,
  - (2) stating in substance that such cost or charge was or will be actually paid or incurred by Nassau County as a direct result of an event giving Nassau County the right to be compensated therefor under this Agreement, and
  - (3) stating in substance that such cost or charge is reasonable with regard to then existing market

conditions for the equipment, materials, service, labor, commitment or other item provided.

- (e) "Department" means the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and any successor agency thereto.
- (f) "Disposal Fee" is defined in Paragraph 5(a).

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- (g) "Hazardous Waste" means hazardous waste, as defined in Section 403.703(21), Florida Statutes, or any successor statute thereto, or agency rules(s) promulgated thereunder.
- (h) "Permit" means the written authorization issued by a regulatory agency with jurisdiction for the sitting, construction and/or operation of a Solid Waste Disposal Facility, provided all procedural standards, performance standards and conditions set forth therein are met.
- "Permitted Service Area" means the geographical area, as specified from time to time under applicable law, rules, regulations and Permits, from within which Solid Waste that is generated may be received for disposal at the West Nassau Landfill.
- (j) "Permit Modifications" means a change or alteration to the procedural standards, performance standards or conditions of a Permit.
- (k) "Scales" means a platform truck scale weighing device which meets with the design specifications and performance accuracy requirements of the scale code in the National Institute of Standards and Technologies Handbook 44, and which interfaces directly with a Solid Waste management system.
- (1) "Solid Waste" means Class I and other non-hazardous solid waste as described in Section 407.703(13) Florida Statutes permitted to be disposed in a lined Class I landfill under the rules and regulations of the Department.
- (m) "Solid Waste Disposal Facility" means any Solid Waste management facility as defined in Section 403.703(11) Florida Statutes permitted to be disposed in a lined Class I landfill under the rules and regulations of the Department.

- (n) "Tons Per Day" or "TPD" means the number of tons of Solid Waste delivered by ADVANCED to the West Nassau Landfill each operating day (excluding Sundays) averaged over each calendar month.
- (0)"Waste Screening Program" means a program for detecting and preventing regulated quantities of Hazardous Waste from entering a Class I Solid Waste Disposal Facility or Transfer Station and includes random inspection of loads of Solid Waste, record keeping, incoming training, and procedures to notify the proper regulatory agency (ies) when regulated quantities of Hazardous Waste have entered such Class I Solid Waste Disposal Facility or Transfer Station. Such program shall not conform at a minimum to the requirements of the applicable Permit, the rules of the Department as promulgated in the Florida Administrative Code, or as otherwise approved by the Department.
- (p) "West Nassau Landfill" means the Class I Solid Waste Disposal Facility portion of the facility owned by Nassau County located on U.S. Highway 1, immediately north of Callahan, Florida, and more particularly described in the text and map attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and in the Department's Permit No. SC45-174427, and includes any lands immediately contiguous to said facility which may later be included within the limits of the foregoing Permit or any successor operating Permit.
- 2. TERM

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Unless sooner terminated or extended as provided herein, the initial term of this Agreement shall commence on the date hereof and shall continue until September 30, 2004. ADVANCED, at its option, with written consent of the county, may extend the Term for twelve (12) consecutive calendar months from and after the initial term upon written notice given to Nassau County at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of said initial term. Nassau County and Advanced Disposal shall renegotiate the disposal fee if ADVANCED exercises its option to renew, and shall be subject to mutual agreement based upon market conditions and any increase in the county's operational cost.

#### 3. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF ADVANCED

 (a) On the date the initial term of the Agreement commences and continuing, throughout the Term of this Agreement (as it may be extended), ADVANCED shall have the right to deliver to the West Nassau Landfill, Solid Waste generated in the Permitted Service Area, up to the maximum amount set forth in paragraph 4(a) hereof.

- (b) ADVANCED shall implement and enforce a program for preventing the deposit of regulated quantities of Hazardous Waste into its collection equipment, and for detecting any such Hazardous Waste in its equipment, in accordance with usual and customary waste collection practices.
- (c) ADVANCED shall provide notification to its customers in the Permitted Service Area that Hazardous Waste shall not be placed in ADVANCED'S equipment and ADVANCED shall use its reasonable business efforts to prevent the delivery by ADVANCED of any Hazardous Waste or any waste other than Solid Waste to the West Nassau Landfill. If any Hazardous Waste or any waste not permitted is disposed or at the West Nassau Landfill that is delivered by ADVANCED, ADVANCED will be responsible for the clean up and removal of said waste.
- 4. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF NASSAU COUNTY

- Beginning on the date the Term of this Agreement commences (a) and continuing throughout the Term of this Agreement (as it may be extended), Nassau County shall cause to be accepted at the West Nassau Landfill for disposal therein all Solid Waste transported by ADVANCED from generators in the Permitted Service Area, but outside Nassau County. The total fee (including all taxes and other charges) to be charged to ADVANCED by Nassau County for receiving Solid Waste transported by ADVANCED from generators in the Permitted Service Area for disposal at the West Nassau Landfill shall be Twenty Four Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$24.50) per ton for the first Four Thousand Five Hundred (4,500) tons per month provided ADVANCED brings at least Three Thousand (3,000) tons per month. If ADVANCED fails to deliver Three Thousand (3,000) tons per month, the landfill rate shall be Thirty Three Dollars and No/Cents (\$33.00) for all tons. If ADVANCED exceeds Four Thousand Five Hundred (4,500) tons per month, the rate for all tonnage above Four Thousand Five Hundred (4,500) shall be Thirty Three Dollars and No/Cents (\$33.00) per ton. No later than June 1 of each year, beginning June 1, 2004, ADVANCED shall notify Nassau County of its best estimate of the quantity of Solid Waste to be delivered to the West Nassau Landfill from generators in the Permitted Service Area for the annual period beginning on the upcoming October 1.
- (b) Nassau County shall use its reasonable business efforts to prevent the disposal of Hazardous Waste or any waste other than Solid Waste at the West Nassau Landfill. As used herein, the term "reasonable business efforts" shall mean the implementation, rigorous enforcement, and continuous updating of a Waste Screening program as

set forth in the most current edition of the document entitled "Waste Screening at Municipal Solid Waste Management Facilities," as periodically revised and published by the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

- (c) Nassau County shall maintain at the West Nassau Landfill such scales as may be required by law and/or any regulatory agency with jurisdiction, and shall cause all Solid Waste delivered by ADVANCED to be weighed thereon. The results of each such weighing shall be permanently and accurately recorded. Nassau County, at its cost and expense, shall test and recalibrate the scales as may be required by law or rule, or reasonably requested by ADVANCED. ADVANCED representatives may observe such weighing and recordation upon reasonable notice.
- (d) Nassau County shall maintain a weight record containing the weight, date, time, and vehicle identification number of each ADVANCED vehicle that delivers waste to the West Nassau Landfill. Nassau County shall deliver copies of such weight records to ADVANCED along with its invoice for disposal for that month, following the end of each calendar month.
- (e) In the event that the scales become inoperable so as to preclude the weighing of vehicles and Solid Waste, then Nassau County shall utilize other reasonable methods mutually agreed with ADVANCED to estimate or determine the basis for charging the Disposal Fee for Solid Waste generated in the Permitted Service Area.
- (f) ADVANCED shall have the right periodically review a copy of Nassau County's annual aerial survey and other engineering reports and calculations identifying the capacity remaining at the West Nassau Landfill.

# 5. CONSIDERATION AND DISPOSAL FEES

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(a) The total fee (including all taxes and other charges) to be charged to ADVANCED by Nassau County for receiving Solid Waste transported by ADVANCED from generators in the Permitted Service Area for disposal at the West Nassau Landfill shall be Twenty Four Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$24.50) per ton for the first Four Thousand Five Hundred (4,500) tons per month provided ADVANCED brings at least Three Thousand (3,000) tons per month. If ADVANCED fails to deliver Three Thousand (3,000) tons per month, the landfill rate shall be Thirty Three Dollars and No/Cents (\$33.00) for all tons. If ADVANCED exceeds Four Thousand Five Hundred (4,500) tons per month, the rate for all tonnage above Four Thousand Five Hundred (4,500) shall be Thirty Three Dollars and No/Cents (\$33.00) per ton.

- (c) ADVANCED shall deposit or issue to the County an irrevocable Letter of Credit/Payment Bond drawn on a bank chartered by the State of Florida which shall equal three months' established disposal fee. Payment of the Disposal Fee shall be made within thirty (30) days after ADVANCED receives an invoice from Nassau County. Following the delivery of written notice to ADVANCED that ADVANCED is thirty (30) days delinquent in paying the Disposal Fee, Nassau County may refuse to receive Solid Waste transported by ADVANCED to the West Nassau Landfill for disposal until the delinquent Disposal Fee has been paid in full.
- In the event that Nassau County incurs additional (d) capital or operating costs for the design, permitting, construction, operating, maintenance or closure of the West Nassau Landfill directly resulting from a Change shall in Law, Nassau County be entitled to proportionately (based on ADVANCED'S in tonnage relation to all tonnage) increase the Disposal Fee in an amount to compensate Nassau County for such increase cost. ADVANCED shall have the right to seek in reimbursement from its customers for any increase in the Disposal Fee due to a Change in Law.
- (e) Nassau County, for the duration of this Agreement: (i) shall have the continuing obligation, and shall take all actions necessary, and diligently, to apply for, timely seek renewal of, and maintain in good standing any and all Permits, including but not limited to those pertaining to construction, operating, stormwater, environmental matters, as may be necessary for the continuous and lawful operation of the West Nassau Landfill, and (ii) shall take no actions which would adversely affect the receipt and retention of any and all Permits, or cause adverse modification thereof, including, but not limited to, those pertaining to construction, operating, stormwater, environmental matters, as may be necessary for the continuous and lawful operation of the West Nassau Landfill. In the event any such Permit is not in good standing, ADVANCED shall have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately upon written notice to Nassau County.

Nassau County represents and warrants to ADVANCED, which warranty and representation shall survive any termination of this Agreement, that Nassau County currently has all Permits necessary for operation of the West Nassau Landfill and the receipt for disposal thereat of all Solid Waste which may be delivered thereto by ADVANCED under this Agreement.

(f) ADVANCED shall not be entitled to deliver to the West Nassau Landfill Solid Waste generated in any county except those counties within the Permitted Service Area. If ADVANCED desires to deliver Solid Waste generated in a county other than a county in the Permitted Service Area, ADVANCED shall cooperate with and assist Nassau County in obtaining such modifications. ADVANCED shall pay the out-of-pocket expenses (including reasonable Consultant's fees) incurred by Nassau County in obtaining such modifications.

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- (a) <u>Limitations Upon Consent</u>. Whenever, under the terms of this Agreement, either party is called upon to give its written consent, and except as provided under subparagraph (g), such written consent will not be unreasonably withheld.
- (b) Form of Consent. All consents and approvals of any kind required under this Agreement shall be in writing. Whenever under the terms of this Agreement either party is authorized to give consent, such consent may be given and shall be conclusively evidenced by a writing executed by an appropriate officer.
- (c) <u>Notices, Documents, and Consents.</u> All notices required to be given or authorized to be given by any party pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed delivered when served personally, when deposited with the United States Postal Service for delivery by certified mail, or when deposited with nationally recognized overnight delivery service for delivery, as follows:

To Nassau County:	Management Committee
	Nassau County
	Post Office Box 1010
	Fernandina Beach, FL 32035

With a Copy to: Robert P. McIntyre Solid Waste Director 46026 Landfill Road Callahan, FL 32011 Charlie Gray To ADVANCED: General Manager 9798 Normandy Boulevard Jacksonville, FL 32221 With a Copy to: Mary M. O'Brien Vice President, Marketing 9995 Gate Parkway North Suite 200 Jacksonville, FL 32246

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- (d) <u>Amendments</u>. This Agreement may be amended from time to time only by written agreement duly authorized and executed by the parties hereto.
- (n) <u>Severability</u>. If any provisions of this Agreement shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of which provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Agreement, and this Agreement shall be enforced as if such invalid and unenforceable provision had not been contained herein.
- (o) Term<u>ination</u>. Either party may terminate this agreement upon 120 days written notice to the other party.
- (g) <u>Execution of Documents</u>. Each party agrees that it will execute any and all documents or other instruments, and take such other action as is necessary to give effect to the terms and intent of this Agreement.
- (h) <u>Assignment</u>. Neither party may assign, transfer, or otherwise vest in any other person, any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party. Except as otherwise expressly provided elsewhere in this Agreement, such consent may be withheld for any or no reason, the provisions of subparagraph (a) to the contrary notwithstanding.
- (i) <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. This Agreement shall be binding upon, and shall inure to the benefit of, the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns.
- (j) <u>Waiver</u>. No waiver by either party of any term or

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condition of this Agreement will be deemed or construed as a waiver of any other term or condition, nor shall a waiver of any breach be deemed to constitute a waiver of any subsequent breach, whether of the same or of a different section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, clause, phrase, or other provision of this Agreement. Making payments pursuant to this Agreement during the existence of a dispute shall not be deemed to and shall not constitute a waiver of any of the claims or defenses of the party making such payment.

- (k) <u>Governing Law and Venue</u>. This Agreement shall be governed and construed under and pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida, and the United States of America. Unless the parties otherwise agree, the venue of any action or proceeding brought under the provisions of this Agreement shall be Nassau County, Florida.
- (1) <u>Confidentiality</u>. All written materials and oral communications between either party shall be deemed public information and shall remain a matter of public record in perpetuity unless otherwise provided or allowed by law.
- (m) <u>Time is of the Essence</u>. Time is of the essence with respect to this Agreement and each of its terms and provisions.
- Remedies. Any dispute arising under this contract, (n) which is not disposed of by agreement, shall be decided by a mediator, who shall reduce his/her decision to writing and furnish a copy to both parties. Claims disputes, or other matters in question between the parties to this Agreement arising out of or relating to this Agreement or breach thereof shall be submitted to mediation with mediation rules in accordance as established by the Florida Supreme Court. Mediators shall be chosen from the Supreme Court approved list of mediators in the Fourth Judicial Circuit and the cost of mediation shall be borne by the contractor. The decision of the mediator shall be final and conclusive unless determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be fraudulent, capricious, arbitrary, or so grossly erroneous as to necessarily imply bad faith or not supported by substantial evidence.
- (o) <u>Attorneys' Fees and Costs</u>. In the event of any action or administrative proceeding between the parties arising under this Agreement, the prevailing party will be entitled to an award of reasonable attorneys' fees

and costs, including such fees and costs incurred by it in the pursuit of any appellate proceedings, regardless of whether such action or administrative proceeding is pursued before any state or federal court or agency.

- (p) <u>Transportation Corridor</u>. Except in an emergency, ADVANCED will not transport Solid Waste over that portion of S.R. 200/U.S. Hwy. A1A lying between Yulee and Callahan or over that portion of S.R. 115 lying between the City of Jacksonville and Callahan.
- (q) <u>Memorandum</u>. The obligations of Nassau County under this Agreement shall be binding upon all its permitted successors and assigns and shall be a burden upon and shall run with the land upon which the West Nassau Landfill is situated, and upon request by ADVANCED, Nassau County shall execute a short form memorandum of this Agreement and the respective rights and obligations of the parties hereto for filing among the property records in Nassau County.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date and year first above written.

NASSAU COUNTY, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, by and through its Board of County Commissioners

Its: Chairman

Attest:

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Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the Nassau County Attorney: W MICHAEL S. MULLIN

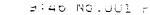
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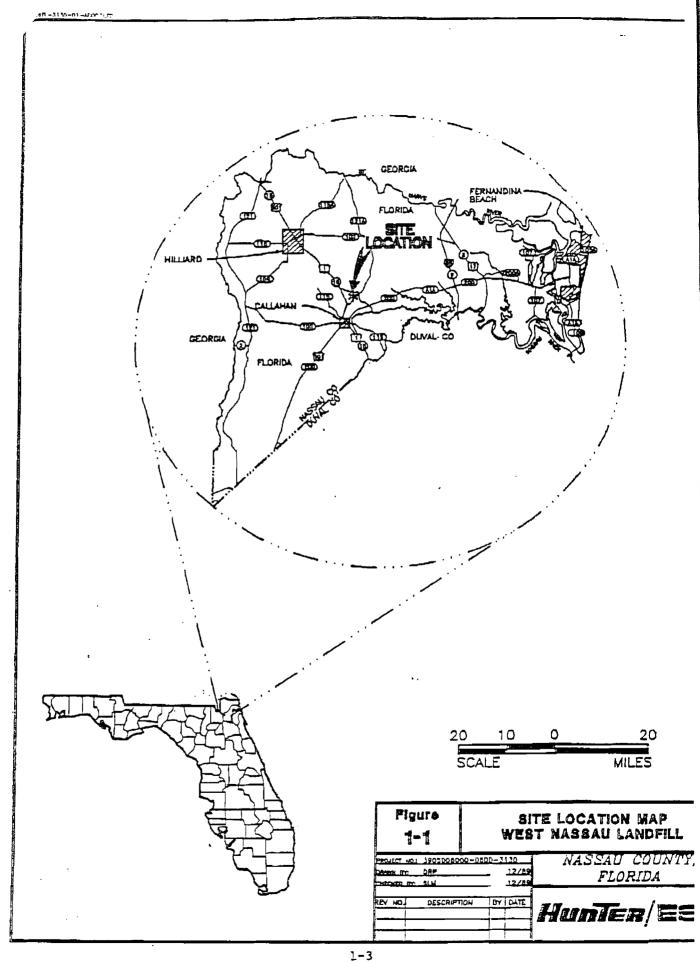
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# Nassau County Department of Solid Waste Management

ROBERT P. McINTYRE Director

46026 LANDFILL ROAD CALLAHAN,FLORIDA 32011

# <u>RELEASE</u>

Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America issued a Performance Bond (Bond No. 104073734) in the amount of \$10,000.00 (the "Bond") at the request of the Advanced Disposal Services, Jacksonville, LLC as Principal, for the benefit of the Nassau County Florida, as obligee ("Obligee").

Obligee hereby fully and unconditionally discharges and releases the Bond and Releases Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America its parents, affiliates and subsidiaries ("Travelers") from any and all past, present and future liability under said Bond. Contemporaneous with the execution of this Release the Bond is discharged and the Obligee shall return the original Bond to Travelers and Obligee hereby surrenders any and all rights associated with the Bond. The undersigned warrants that he or she has the authority to execute this Release on behalf of the Obligee and to bind the Obligee hereunder.

Signed by officer with requisite authority to sign of Obligee's behalf