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The Wave of the Future

MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 9, 2023

TO: Winnebago County Transfer Station Users

FROM: Kathy Hutter – Operations Manager

RE: Safety Vest Policy Revised

Effective, February 1, 2015, Winnebago County Solid Waste Management Board instituted a Safety Vest Policy for all customers and haulers using the Sunnyview Landfill and Transfer Station. The previous policy stated, "Any driver who steps out of his/her vehicle in the Transfer Station is required to wear a reflective safety vest or other approved reflective safety wear."

The intent of this Policy is to keep all users of the highly congested areas of the Facility safe. Effective immediately, the Safety Vest Policy will be retitled, High Visibility Clothing Policy and to clarify:

- All users of the Transfer Station, including drivers and vehicle passengers who exit the vehicle are required to wear high visibility clothing as their outermost layer and covering the front and back of their torso.
- High visibility clothing is defined as reflective or non-reflective article of clothing, in the colors of safety green, safety orange or safety pink.
- High visibility clothing that is dirty, stained, faded or otherwise is less effective. Users who are observed wearing compromised safety clothing will be asked to correct this before their next visit.
- Customers will have the option to purchase a high visibility safety vest at the scale, for users of the Transfer Station.
- If a vehicle passenger is not wearing the above-described high visibility clothing, they are not permitted to exit the vehicle at the Transfer Station.
- Customers who refuse to follow this policy will be asked to leave the Facility and will be prohibited from using the Transfer Station until compliance is met.