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Authority Recognized by Peers for Television Collection Program

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Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority (LCSWMA) is being recognized by the Professional Recyclers of Pennsylvania (PROP), the Pennsylvania Waste Industries Association (PWIA), and the Keystone Chapter of the Solid Waste Association of North America (Keystone SWANA) for collecting televisions for recycling at its Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) facility in Lancaster. Waste Watcher Awards are given to recycling, waste reduction, reuse and composting programs in Pennsylvania that exhibit exemplary performance. The award will be presented to LCSWMA at a luncheon on July 29th during the annual PROP conference in Scranton, PA.

On July 1, 2008, LCSWMA added televisions to the list of items accepted for free from Lancaster County residents at the HHW facility. The first 12 months of the television collection program has resulted in 6,068 televisions weighing 187 tons being delivered to the facility.

“LCSWMA continuously evaluates its integrated solid waste management system to ensure adherence to the highest standards of environmentally responsible waste management. The addition of televisions to the extensive variety of materials accepted for free from Lancaster County residents at our permanent drive-through Household Hazardous Waste facility is a result of our effort to provide excellent environmental service to Lancaster County residents.” said Jim Warner, LCSWMA’s Executive Director.



A Lancaster County resident delivers televisions to the HHW facility where helpful LCSWMA employees remove them from the vehicle.

LCSWMA has been providing free service at the HHW facility for Lancaster County residents since 1991. In addition to televisions, the HHW facility accepts items containing mercury (such as thermometers and thermostats), fluorescent bulbs (including compact bulbs), computers, cell phones, batteries, paints, cleaners and more. Go to lcswma.org for a list of the materials accepted at the HHW facility. The facility is open Monday through Friday from 8 am to 4 pm and on Saturdays from 8 am to 12 pm.

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About Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority

LCSWMA is recognized throughout North America as a leader in the field of solid waste management. LCSWMA operates an integrated solid waste management system which primarily serves Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. The system handled approximately 625,000 tons of waste in 2008 and consists of:

- A 2,200 tons per day transfer station
- A drive-through permanent household hazardous waste facility
- A 36 megawatt, 1,200 tons per day mass burn waste-to-energy (WTE) facility
- A 2,000 tons per day sanitary landfill
- A 3.2 megawatt landfill gas-to-energy plant (LFGTE) - owned and operated by PPL
- A county-wide recycling program that has achieved a 38% recycling rate



The LCSWMA LFGTE and WTE facilities generate enough renewable energy from waste to power 1 out of 6 homes in Lancaster County. For further information on the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority, please visit lcswma.org.

For additional information about PROP, please go to proprecycles.org, PWIA, please go to pawasteindustries.org and Keystone SWANA, please go to keystoneswana.org.