ATTACHMENT B

LINCOLN COUNTY SOLID WASTE- FEE DISCOUNT POLICY Effective- January 2017

Lincoln County provides the opportunity for those qualified, to apply for and obtain certain fee discounts associated with residential solid waste services. The following (2) types of discounts are recognized:

- 1. Financial Hardship
- 2. Physical Address located over 20 miles from a Bin Site or Drop Box Facility

Applicants may be eligible for a residential solid waste fee discount of up to 50%.

To apply for a solid waste fee discount, an applicant must provide the requested documentation at the same time a written application for a discount is filed. An application for a discount must be submitted prior to October 1 of each year. Applications can be obtained through the Lincoln County Solid Waste Office, (775) 982-8091 or at www.lincolncountynv.org.

Failure to provide sufficient or correct information will result in a determination of ineligibility for this discount. Applications for a discount must be applied for in the same year as billed.

1. FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

INCOME VERIFICATION

If requesting a financial hardship discount, an applicant must provide a copy of a current Federal Income Tax Return (i.e. form 1040/1040A/1040EZ) and any additional approved income documentation demonstrating you qualify for a financial hardship discount.

In addition to a current Federal Income Tax Return, individual(s) shall submit any of the following additional documents that apply to the individual(s):

- 1. Current Letter 1722 from the IRS for non-income adults (1-800-829-1040)
- 2. Current Verification of Social Security Benefits (SSA) (1-800-772-1213)
- 3. Current Verification of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) (1-800-772-1213)
- 4. Current Welfare of General Assistance eligibility (Notice of Action / Income Verification)
- 5. Current Documentation of Unemployment form Employment Development Department (EDD) (408-436-5600)

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

- Required information provided by the applicant will assist in the determination of the discount.
- If an applicant's annual gross income is such that the applicant is not required by the Internal Revenue Service to file a Federal Income Tax return, then the applicant must submit any of the documents listed 1 through 5 to substantiate the applicant's financial hardship discount request.
- Applicants must meet the current year Federal Poverty Income Guidelines.¹

¹ The current Federal Poverty Income Guidelines can be obtained at http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/

- If the maximum income for all members of the applicant's household qualifies under the 125% Federal Poverty Income Guideline for the current year, the applicant will receive a 50% discount.
- Please do not send original documents. The documents the applicant provides will not be returned to the applicant.

2. PHYSICAL ADDRESS OVER 20 MILES FROM A BIN SITE OR DROP BOX FACILTY

If a home, dwelling unit or taxable residential parcel containing personal property is more than 20 miles away from a Lincoln County bin site or drop box facility, the property owner may apply for a 50% discount of the solid waste fees. If it is determined by the County that the home for which the discount is being applied to is located within 20 miles of a Lincoln County bin site, the property owner is required to pay the solid waste fees in full.

NOTIFICATION OF APPROVAL OR DENIAL OF LANDFILL WAIVER REQUEST

Applicants will be notified of approval or denial of the solid waste fee discount request in writing within 30 days.

APPEAL OF DENIAL OF LANDFILL WAIVER REQUEST

If a request for a solid waste fee discount has been denied by Lincoln County, the applicant may petition the Board of Lincoln County Commissioners to appeal the decision made by the County.