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Dear Galloway Township Business Owner / Manager,

It's Recycling Tonnage Reporting Time!

The New Jersey Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act was passed in 1987 and each municipality is required to report to the State every ton of recycled material generated within their jurisdiction. These figures are then used to compute the total recycling tonnage for the State to see how close we are to our 65% goal.

In Galloway Township, Ordinance 273-19 states:

"Prior to March 1 of each year, occupants of commercial and institutional establishments must provide written documentation to the municipality of the total amount of materials recycled during the preceding year. "

Each business owner/operator is responsible to contract for the hauling of his/her recyclables.

You must keep records of where your recyclables are going and how much you are sending out or hauling out. If this is done as a regular part of your record keeping, it will not be a burden. You will soon find that you will be saving significant amounts on your disposal costs; in almost every case, it is much less expensive to recycle an item rather than to landfill it. Two of our larger businesses have realized substantial savings in their trash disposal costs since instituting comprehensive recycling programs. Please note: The Universal Waste Rule has been in effect for several years now; so additional recyclables from businesses and institutions are now to be reported. Please see insert, "NEW JERSEY'S UNIVERSAL WASTE RULE: What it means to your business."

If you need help with your recycling program, please call me at 652-3700 x209 I will be more than willing to help in any way that I can. I have enclosed partial lists of possible markets for some recyclable items. Also enclosed, please find a Tonnage Report Form that you should complete, sign and get back to my office by the deadline of March 1st.

Sincerely,

Enclosures.