COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

NOTICE

D.C. LAW 7-19

"District of Columbia Comprehensive Plan for a Multi-Material Recycling System Act of 1987".

Pursuant to Section 412 of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, P. L. 93-198, "the Act", the Council of the District of Columbia adopted Bill No. 7-62 on first and second readings, May 5, 1987, and May 19, 1987, respectively. Following the signature of the Mayor on June 1, 1987, this legislation was assigned Act 7-33, published in the June 12, 1987, edition of the <u>D.C. Register</u>, (Vol. 34 page 3810) and transmitted to Congress on June 10, 1987 for a 30-day review, in accordance with Section 602(c)(1) of the Act.

The Council of the District of Columbia hereby gives notice that the 30-day Congressional Review Period has expired, and therefore, cites this enactment as D.C. Law 7-19, effective July 25, 1987.

DAVID A. CLARKE Chairman of the Council

Dates Counted During the 30-day Congressional Review Period:

June 10,11,12,15,16,17,18,19,22,23,24,25,26,29,30

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D.C. ACT 7 - 33

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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To require the Mayor to establish a comprehensive plan for a District of Columbia multi-material recycling system for the purpose of recovering energy and other resources from discarded materials and solid waste and for distributing reusable organic compounds for public use.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "District of Columbia Comprehensive Plan for a Multi-Material Recycling System Act of 1987".

- Sec. 2. For purposes of this act, the term:

 (1) "Discarded material" means a wide variety of
 materials including liquids in containers that are
 considered garbage and rejected as being spent, useless,
 worthless, or in excess. The term "discarded material" does
 not include household hazardous waste or solid waste found
 in sewage and water resource systems or those waste products
 emitted from smoke stacks.
- (2) "Household" includes single and multiple residences, hotels, motels, bunkhouses, ranger stations, crew quarters, campgrounds, picnic grounds, and day-use recreation areas.
- material deriving from households that may be toxic, flammable, corrosive, explosive, or chemically active and, if not properly stored or disposed of, may cause or significantly contribute to serious illness or death or may pose a substantial threat to human health or the environment. The term "household hazardous waste" includes garbage and waste in septic tanks, pesticides, solvents, degreasers, fertilizers, unused flammables such as gasoline and kerosene, and swimming pool chemicals. The term "household hazardous waste" does not apply to a household

New, D.C. Code, sec. 6-3101 (1988 supp.) generating more than 50 kilograms of hazardous waste per month.

> (4) "Multi-material" means:

> > (A) Reusable organic compounds;

(B) All types of consumer products that have fulfilled their useful function and usually cannot be used further in their present form or at their present location; and

Products that result in waste from the

manufacture or conversion of products.

"Organic compounds" means material made from substances composed of chemical compounds of carbon and generally manufactured in the life processes of plants and animals. The term "organic compounds" includes paper, wood, mulch, and yard and food wastes capable of being reused for household purposes.

(6) "Recycling program" means a resource recovery method that involves the collection and treatment of waste products for use as raw materials in manufacturing the same

or a similar product.

(7) "Resource recovery" means the recovery of materials or energy from solid waste.

(8) "Resource recovery facility" means any facility at which solid waste is processed for the purpose of extracting, converting to energy, or otherwise separating and preparing solid waste for reuse.

(9) "Separation" means the segregation and collection of individual recyclable components before the materials become mixed into the process of solid waste

disposal.

- (10) "Solid waste" means garbage, refuse, and sludge from a waste treatment plant, water supply treatment plant, or air pollution control facility, and other waste products, including solid, liquid, semisolid, or contained gaseous material resulting from industrial, commercial, government operations, and from community activities.
- Sec. 3.(a) Within 1 year from the effective date of this act, the Mayor of the District of Columbia ("Mayor") shall submit to the Council of the District of Columbia ("Council") a comprehensive plan for a District of Columbia ("District") multi-material recycling system for the purpose of recovering energy and other resources from discarded materials and solid waste and for distributing reusable organic compounds for public use.

Before submitting the comprehensive plan to the

Council, the Mayor shall:

(1) Hold a public hearing to receive public comments on the proposed comprehensive plan; and

(1988 supp.)

- (2) Consult with the Council, the Litter and Solid Waste Reduction Commission established pursuant to section 2 of the Litter and Solid Waste Act of 1985, effective February 21, 1986 (D.C. Law 6-84; D.C. Code, sec. 2-3201), the Hazardous Materials Study Commission established pursuant to section 2 of the Hazardous Materials Study Commission Act of 1986, effective June 25, 1986 (D.C. Law 6-123; D.C. Code, sec. 6-3001), and other interested parties.
- (c) The comprehensive plan submitted to the Council by the Mayor shall include:
- A technical and economic description of the level of performance and results that can be attained from an effective multi-material recycling program and solid waste resource recovery facility;
- (2) Detailed methods for the collection, transportation, separation, and reduction of discarded materials, household hazardous waste, and solid waste;
- (3) Guidelines for the implementation of an office waste paper recycling program for District government office buildings, District-based educational facilities, and private corporations;
- (4) Information regarding the alternative management of garbage disposal and resource recovery:
- (5) Information regarding an adequate location, design, and construction site for a facility associated with the conversion of solid waste to energy;
- (6) Information regarding regional, geographic, demographic, and environmental factors;
- (7) Information regarding public health and safety considerations and applicable federal regulations;
- (8) Guidelines for the distribution of reusable organic compounds, such as mulch, at convenient distribution centers throughout the District for use by its residents for gardening, landscaping, and other similar purposes; and
- (9) A description of a public information campaign and community outreach program to be targeted to District residents and visitors regarding the importance of the District's multi-material recycling system and the public's role in this system.
- Sec. 4. This act shall take effect after a 30-day period of Congressional review following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council of the District of Columbia to override the veto) as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act,

approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Code, sec. 1-233(c)(1)).

Chairman

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APPROVED: June 1, 1987



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