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Calvert County Solid Waste Fees Set to Increase July 1

PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – June 21, 2013 – As part of the Fiscal Year 2014 budget, the Calvert County Board of County Commissioners has approved incremental increases in solid waste fees for all solid waste from commercial customers, Calvert County residents and out-of-county customers.

New tip fees apply to chargeable loads of solid waste brought to the Appeal Landfill. The following tip fees (the cost per ton of solid waste disposed of at the transfer station or in the landfill) will become effective July 1, 2013:

- All out-of-county and commercial customers: \$76.37 per ton (up from \$74.70)
- Calvert County residents with chargeable loads: \$68.74 per ton (up from \$67.23)

County residents are charged for disposal of the following items at the Appeal Landfill:

- Construction and demolition debris: doors, windows, cabinets, sinks, tubs, toilets, carpet, drywall, wood, fencing, sheds, siding, shutters, shingles, etc.
- Yard debris: leaves, branches, trees, etc.
- Mixed loads: construction and demolition debris and/or yard debris mixed with household trash

Calvert County residents are not charged for bagged household waste, metal or other items separated for recycling.

The tip fee increase is tied to changes in the Consumer Price Index under an agreement between the county and Waste Management, Inc. The agreement includes the provision for annual disposal fee adjustments, with a maximum annual adjustment of 3 percent.

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The solid waste fee, charged per household or business and billed annually on property tax bills, will increase from \$115 to \$117. The fee funds county solid waste handling and disposal operations, including the county's seven solid waste convenience centers and the Appeal Landfill.

For more information, contact the Calvert County Department of Public Works Solid Waste Division at 410-326-0210, email Solid Waste Division Chief Michael Thomas at thomasma@co.cal.md.us, or visit online at www.co.cal.md.us.

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