



**INDIAN RIVER COUNTY**  
**SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL DISTRICT**  
**BOARD MEMORANDUM**



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**Date:** July 31, 2017  
**To:** Jason E. Brown, County Administrator  
**From:** Vincent Burke, P.E., Director of Utility Services  
**Prepared By:** Himanshu H. Mehta, P.E., Managing Director, Solid Waste Disposal District  
**Subject:** Agreement for Recycling of Batteries

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**DESCRIPTIONS AND CONDITIONS:**

The Indian River County (IRC) Solid Waste Disposal District (SWDD) provides for the safe disposal/recycling of certain batteries at the IRC Landfill and at the five Customer Convenience Centers (CCC's) for the public. Historically, various vendors have been utilized by SWDD for these services.

Staff received a proposal from St. Lucie Battery and Tire offering certain fixed revenues for an exclusive right to collect and recycle automotive, lawn and non-alkaline batteries.

**ANALYSIS:**

Currently, Republic Services, through our non-Class I landfill services agreement, collects and transports all of the batteries from the CCC's and brings them to the the IRC Landfill. These are then sorted, packed and then retransported to a local vendor. SWDD currently receives \$5.00 per automotive battery from the local vendor.

St. Lucie Battery and Tire is offering for the direct collection of automotive, lawn and non-alkaline batteries directly from each of the CCC's and the IRC Landfill. In addition, they are offering \$5.50 per automotive battery and \$3.00 per each lawn motor battery. St. Lucie Battery has agreed to hold these prices fixed for the next two years. The attached agreement formalizes the services and includes a 30-day provision for termination by either party.

**FUNDING:**

For the current 2016/2017 fiscal year, we have received \$1,470 in revenues for batteries for the first 9 months. We project \$2,200 in revenues from batteries for the 2017/2018 fiscal year. No funding is required for these services as there is a revenue potential, not a direct expense to SWDD.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

SWDD staff recommends that the Board review and approve the agreement for recycling of batteries, and authorize the Chairman to sign on their behalf, once the agreement is reviewed and approved as to form and legal sufficiency by the County Attorney, and the necessary insurance requirements submitted to the Purchasing Department.

**ATTACHMENT(s):**

1. Agreement with St. Lucie Battery and Tire
2. Proposal from St. Lucie Battery and Tire
3. Letter of Signatory Authorization