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TO: ALL MUNICIPAL GOVERNING BODIES IN MONMOUTH COUNTY C/O MUNICIPAL CLERK

**ANNOUNCEMENT: MONMOUTH COUNTY TO PROVIDE FUNDING
FOR STATE-MANDATED CERTIFICATION FOR
MUNICIPAL RECYCLING COORDINATORS**

Dear Municipal Officials:

As you may be aware, the recently enacted "NJ Recycling Enhancement Act" (P.L. 2009, c. 311) has set forth new municipal requirements for stricter local recycling ordinances and programs to increase recycling. Guidelines for meeting these requirements are presented in the recently adopted Update to the County Solid Waste Plan, copies of which were sent to each Municipal Clerk and Municipal Recycling Coordinator earlier this year.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:26A-11.1(a), every NJ municipality is to appoint a municipal recycling coordinator who has achieved professional certification by 2010. Rutgers University, in cooperation with the NJDEP, has offered the "New Jersey Recycling Certification" series for a number of years. Those completing the course become "Certified Recycling Professionals" (CRP), which meets this professional certification requirement.

The full series of CRP courses involves 20 class sessions, at a cost of \$1,536.00. An alternate 'short course' for those in this position for a minimum of ten years is also available. This short course involves 4 full day sessions followed by a CRP exam, at a cost of \$310.00. Rutgers has been scheduling additional sessions to meet the additional demand. You can visit the Rutgers web site at: www.cpe.rutgers.edu or call them at (732) 932-9271 for more information.

Recognizing municipal budget demands in these tough economic times, Monmouth County has reserved some of its grant funds to pay for this necessary (and useful) training. Only seven of our fifty-three local municipal recycling coordinators presently have this CRP certification. An application for either direct payment of course registration or reimbursement of monies already paid for registration is attached. **Every municipality qualifies for one full course registration, or two short course registrations for municipal employees, even if your Recycling Coordinator already has a CRP!**

Sincerely.

ATT'D: Application for
CRP Funding

Lawrence Zaayenga
Solid Waste Coordinator

Francine Metzger, CRP
Recycling Coordinator

**Late Breaking News! State Legislation has now extended the deadline for certification for
Municipal Recycling Coordinators to January, 2012.....**

APPLICATION TO FUND RECYCLING COORDINATOR CERTIFICATION

Municipality _____

Mailing Address _____

Contact Person/Phone _____

Municipal employee who has taken/is taking/will be taking 'CRP' classes:

daytime phone _____ e-mail _____

_____ this application is for reimbursement of costs already paid by municipality
(submit registration confirmation/invoice and/or CRP certificate)

_____ this application is for County to pay Rutgers directly for CRP classes
(submit registration form to be sent to Rutgers; County will forward
registration confirmation to Municipal Clerk when received)

(check one)

_____ this is for full series of nine certification courses (\$ 1,536.00)

_____ this is for alternate short course of four session/exam (\$ 310.00)
(fill out separate application if municipality has/will enroll second person)

(check one)

- * *Each person having taken or who will be taking CRP classes is to submit an updated "Municipal Waste Management & Recycling Survey" using the 16 page form dated July 2006. This survey can be found in the Appendix to the County's February 2009 Update to the Solid Waste Plan. This survey will provide a comprehensive review of existing waste management practices within the municipality, and may be suitable for some of the course work involved with the CRP classes!*
- * *Failure to complete the CRP courses and receive certification, and submit an updated Municipal Survey, will disqualify the municipality from receiving other grants offered through the county solid waste and recycling planning office.*

The Municipal Clerk is to submit this application to:

Fran Metzger, County Recycling Coordinator
Monmouth County Planning Board
Hall of Records Annex
One East Main Street
Freehold, New Jersey 07728