PUSH/PULL POLICY

GENERAL POLICY

It is the policy of the Cedar Rapids/Linn County Solid Waste Agency that Agency employees will not assist or use Agency vehicles or materials to assist commercial or private drivers if their vehicles are stuck or become inoperable while on Agency property. This also applies when a waste load contained in a vehicle becomes frozen to the vehicle and cannot be discharged by ordinary operating procedures.

SPECIFIC PROVISIONS

While the Cedar Rapids/Linn County Solid Waste Agency has no obligation to assist drivers encountering the above-mentioned problems, a driver can request assistance. A waiver of liability must be signed. By signing, the driver (and his/her employer if applicable) agree neither the Agency nor any of its employees shall have any liability to the company, its agents or principals for any claims for damages which result from the assistance given to the company by Agency employees. Further, the company agrees to indemnify the Cedar Rapids/Linn County Solid Waste Agency from any damages awarded to third parties as a result of said assistance.

Also by signing the release, the driver/company is stating it realizes that the pushing or pulling of vehicles at the landfill with landfill equipment, or the assistance by Agency employees in attempting to free a load may result in damage to the vehicle. If the driver/company needs assistance in use of jumper cables, the company is responsible for hooking up the cables correctly. The Agency employee is not responsible for any damage to company vehicle.

ENFORCEMENT

Agency staff must make sure a Push/Pull agreement has been signed before any employees help a private or commercial driver. Retain the agreement for at least thirty days.

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