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WASTE MANAGEMENT OF ORANGE COUNTY DEPLOYS NEW NATURAL GAS TRUCKS

*Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee
Funds 12 Clean-burning Waste Collection and Recycling Vehicles*

ORANGE COUNTY, CALIF, Jan. 21, 2010 – Waste Management today announced the deployment of 12 new compressed natural gas (CNG) collection trucks in the cities of Santa Ana and Irvine. The trucks were purchased with a grant from the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC) in an effort to improve air quality in the Southern California region. Switching to advanced CNG vehicle operations provides significant environmental, public health and community benefits to the region.

Together, the 12 trucks will reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 218 metric tons each year as compared to their diesel counterparts. The trucks emit zero diesel particulate emissions and the equipment upgrade will reduce smog-causing nitrogen oxide emissions by 3.6 tons a year. The collection trucks are quieter and will reduce noise pollution.

“We are happy to work with Waste Management on their continued effort toward cleaner air in the communities they serve,” said MSRC Vice-Chair Greg Winterbottom, who represents Orange County Transportation Authority on the MSRC. “Their leadership in clean truck technology is gratifying to us at MSRC and we enjoy our partnership with them.”

MSRC granted Waste Management a \$32,000 award per truck to purchase seven trucks in Irvine and five trucks in Santa Ana, for a total award of \$384,000. The MSRC's sole mission is to fund projects that reduce air pollution from motor vehicles within the South Coast Air District in Southern California.

"We are committed to helping our region improve air quality and with our new trucks, we are investing in cleaner air," said David Ross, director of public affairs Waste Management of Orange County.

Waste Management of Orange County serves more than 200,000 residential customers and approximately 15,000 commercial customers in nine cities and several unincorporated regions of the county. We also provide 3,500 industrial customers with roll-off service for bins or specialized compactors each week. From our yards located in Santa Ana and Irvine, our employees deploy 300 trucks up to seven days per week to provide residential, commercial and industrial trash collection, recycling services and dumpster rentals.

For more information about Waste Management, visit www.wm.com or www.wmorangecounty.com

Waste Management (NYSE: WM) based in Houston, Texas, is the leading provider of comprehensive waste management services in North America. Our subsidiaries provide collection, transfer, recycling and resource recovery, and disposal services. We are also a leading developer, operator and owner of waste-to-energy and landfill gas-to-energy facilities in the United States. Our customers include residential, commercial, industrial, and municipal customers throughout North America.

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