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# Press Release

Subject: The Town of East Hartford will be implementing Single Stream Recycling starting July 12, 2010

East Hartford, June 21, 2010 – Mayor Melody A. Currey announced today that beginning Monday, July 12, 2010, the Town of East Hartford will switch to an automated, every other week, Single Stream Recycling Program. All acceptable recyclable items can now be mixed together in one 95 gallon barrel. The town has contracted with Rehrig Pacific Company to begin distributing the NEW Blue 95 gallon barrels to over 16,000 households in town between July 1st and July 9<sup>th</sup> so the town's recycling contractor, Trash-Away, Inc. of New Britain, can begin its first Single Stream Recycling pick-up on Monday, July 12<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Currey stated, "With single-stream recycling residents will now be able to mix all recyclable items together in the one blue recycling barrel, close the lid and wheel it to the curb for every other week collection. It's that simple!"

Residential green barrel garbage collection will continue to be collected on a weekly basis, with the new Single Stream Recycling moving to **every other week** on the regularly scheduled trash day due to the much larger 95 gallon barrels and the automated single stream collection process. As part of the new blue 95 gallon barrel distribution process each household will receive an information packet with instructions on what materials to recycle and a 12 month recycling collection schedule showing which weeks their recyclables will be picked up.

Mayor Currey also noted, "The town is not charged for the disposal of recyclable items, but is charged \$69 a ton for trash placed in the green trash barrel.

If all our residents actively participate in this new Single Stream Recycling Program, as I expect everyone will, the town could save \$250,000 or more in municipal trash disposal fees annually.”

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