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THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT HEREIN RESOLVES:

The purpose of this policy statement is to state clearly the purpose of the MSD Tire Disposal Program and the intended relationship between MSD and local jurisdictions.

MSD, as a regional form of government, was established by the voters and given very specific functions, one of which is the disposal of solid wastes. To carry out this function MSD hired a consultant to prepare a solid waste management action plan. Early in the study, the consultant identified waste tires as a special solid waste problem.

The problem is not small. More than a million tires must be disposed of in the Portland area each year. Presently, significant numbers of tires are dumped illegally along roadsides and in secluded areas, many disposal sites do not accept tires thereby making it difficult for private citizens to dispose of tires, and there is no system for policing and controlling tire disposal operations within the MSD boundaries.

For these reasons, the MSD Board of Directors on the advice of its staff and consultants adopted the tire disposal program which generally requires the following:

1. Tire haulers must obtain a permit from MSD in order to operate legally.
2. Tire haulers must dispose of waste tires only at disposal sites or tire processing centers authorized by MSD.
3. Tire haulers and authorized disposal sites and tire processing centers must keep accurate records of all tires collected and disposed of.

Recently, collectors and their associations have expressed concern that the tire disposal program as adopted circumvents and nullifies existing city and county solid waste franchise ordinances and agreements. This is not our intent. It is clear from the state enabling legislation that the MSD cannot interfere with the authority of local jurisdictions to control and police the collection of solid wastes. It goes without saying that the cities and counties are free at any time to change, amend or enforce their solid waste ordinances and franchises.

It is the policy of this Board that the tire disposal program in general and the tire hauling permits in particular do not affect the duty and responsibility of tire haulers to comply with all applicable laws, ordinances and regulations of local jurisdictions and the final permits, when issued, will so state.

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