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COUNTY OF ERIE

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COUNTY EXECUTIVE

November 2, 2015

Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street, 4th Floor
Buffalo, New York 14202

**Re: Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator Program
Budget Amendment**

Dear Honorable Members:

Enclosed please find a memorandum and proposed resolution seeking authorization to adjust the Department of Environment and Planning's appropriations and revenues for the Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generators (CESQG) Program. This will allow for payment of expenses incurred and acceptance of the offsetting revenues received, for assistance to municipalities, school districts and small businesses for hazardous waste disposal above current 2015 budget allocations.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, I encourage you to contact Deputy Commissioner Thomas R. Hersey, Jr. at the Department of Environment and Planning, Division of Environmental Compliance. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq." with "DCE" written to the right of the signature.

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.
Erie County Executive

MCP/cw
Enclosure
Cc: Thomas J. Dearing, Commissioner

MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature
From: Environment and Planning
Re: Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator Program
Budget Amendment
Date: November 2, 2015

SUMMARY

The Department of Environment and Planning is seeking authorization to adjust their 2015 appropriations and revenues for the Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator (CESQG) Program to allow for payment of expenses incurred and acceptance of revenues received, for assistance to municipalities, school districts and small businesses for hazardous waste disposal above. The CESQG Program receives revenues above expenses incurred, as participants are required to pay for waste disposal opportunities provided by the Program.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The adjusted appropriations and revenues would allow Erie County to pay invoices for the CESQG hazardous waste disposal program, while the revenues received will exceed expenses. There will be no fiscal impact on Erie County.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

The adjusted appropriations and revenues will allow for the payment of expenses incurred, and receipt of revenues, above the current 2015 budgeted amounts for the Erie County CESQG Program.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Erie County CESQG Program provides municipalities, school districts and small businesses an opportunity to dispose of hazardous waste in a proper and cost effective manner. The CESQG Program typically provides up to two disposal events annually and it is recognized as an efficient and effective hazardous waste disposal alternative. Participation is voluntary and expenses and revenues are estimated annually for budget purposes. However, all CESQG Program participants are required to pay for the proper disposal of the hazardous waste material, such that CESQG Program revenues offset expenses incurred. CESQG Program participation and hazardous waste disposal costs have increased resulting in the need for an increase to the 2015 budgeted amounts.

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

Funding for the payment of invoices associated with the CESQG Program would not be properly budgeted.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

The Erie County Budget Department will adjust the CESQG Program appropriations and revenues to pay the expenses and receive revenues associated with hazardous waste disposal participants.

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY:
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING

RE: Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator Program Budget Amendment

WHEREAS, the Erie County Department of Environment and Planning (DEP) administers the Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator (CESQG) Program, an initiative to address the proper disposal and treatment of hazardous waste or chemicals for municipalities, school districts and small businesses; and

WHEREAS, CESQG Program's costs are offset by matching revenues; and

WHEREAS, during the fiscal year, as increased participation by exempt generators has caused CESQG costs to increase beyond the adopted budget, it is necessary to ensure that the Department of Environment and Planning can accordingly adjust its revenue and appropriations to match actuals.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT BE

RESOLVED, that the Department of Environment and Planning and Division of Budget and Management are authorized to adjust appropriations and revenues based on participation in the CESQG program and prior year actual results; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to increase the DEP operating budget, Fund 110, Funds Center 16200, Revenue GL 420271 – CESQG Charges and Appropriation GL 517577 – CESQG Collections as necessary; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the County Executive; the Director of the Division of Budget and Management; the Office of the Comptroller; Thomas J. Dearing, Commissioner of Environment and Planning; Thomas R. Hersey, Jr., Deputy Commissioner of Environment and Planning; Paul B. Kranz, P.E., Associate Engineer; the County Comptroller, and the County Attorney.