



## **The Southeastern Public Service Authority's Environmental Policy**

As a leader in the solid waste management industry, the Southeastern Public Service Authority has an inherent responsibility to set an example in environmental stewardship. SPSA is committed to the protection of the environment. In recognition of this responsibility, SPSA hereby establishes the following environmental policy.

All SPSA activities will be conducted in an environmentally sound and sensitive manner. All SPSA facilities will function as "good neighbors" through competent operation, maintenance, continuous environmental monitoring and public dissemination of information.

These are SPSA's commitments:

### ***Environmental Management System***

SPSA will maintain an Environmental Management System (EMS) to organize and control its environmental activities. The EMS will identify environmental aspects of SPSA's operations. The EMS will establish targets and objectives for environmental improvement and set timeframes to accomplish those objectives. It will also establish methods to review targets and objectives and clearly designate the responsibilities of SPSA personnel in utilization of the EMS. The EMS will be fully compliant with the ISO-14001 international environmental standard.

### ***Recycling***

SPSA will promote and implement recycling throughout our organization to the fullest extent practical. We will strive to recycle and/or beneficially reuse incoming wastes received from our municipal and commercial customers. SPSA will offer recycling programs to the citizens and businesses of our service area and encourage their participation in such programs. We will recycle waste generated in our conduct of business and strive to reduce internal waste streams. SPSA will encourage recycling markets by giving preferential selection to recycled products in our own activities.

### ***Pollution Prevention***

SPSA is committed to minimizing and mitigating, to the best of our ability and resources, all adverse environmental impacts associated with our activities. SPSA will actively seek and employ operational strategies that promote pollution prevention and foster environmental protection.

### ***Regulatory Compliance***

SPSA will maintain compliance with federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations. SPSA will design, construct and operate state-of-the-art solid waste management facilities that meet or exceed all regulatory requirements for environmental soundness.

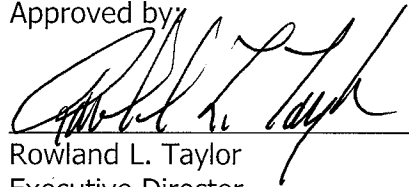
## ***Community Education***

SPSA believes citizens and communities can and will participate in the protection of the environment, if given knowledge and mean to do so. Through the dissemination of information, individuals can learn about environmental issues, problems and solutions. SPSA will actively work to educate the public on environmental protection issues associated with solid waste disposal, and serve as an information resource throughout this learning process.

## ***Continual Improvement***

SPSA will continually improve its operations with the goal of eliminating adverse environmental impacts associated with our activities. SPSA will continually introduce internal and external programs that foster environmental protection and the participation of employees and the public. These programs will be innovative and effective, serving as models for others to follow. SPSA will support environmental protection and restoration programs that affect the public and the quality of life in the SPSA service area.

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