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To: Laurie Mueller
Subject: Revised Recycling Ordinance Template Now Available

Dear Responsible Unit Representative-

The revised recycling ordinance template is now available! As described during the Recycling Rule Revision: Changes for Responsible Units (RUs) Webinar on July 15th, RUs will need to pass a new recycling ordinance to reflect some of the changes in the recycling rule revision.

RUs have been asked to use the recycling ordinance template to ensure required language is included in your recycling ordinance. The template is available in Microsoft Word for ease of use. Go to [Responsible unit recycling programs || Wisconsin DNR](#) (scroll to “Key Requirements of an Effective Recycling Program”) to find the recycling ordinance template. RUs have been asked to pass new recycling ordinances by April 30, 2026.

If you missed the webinar, DNR has posted the webinar recording, slides and additional recycling rule revision materials online at [Responsible unit recycling programs || Wisconsin DNR](#) (scroll to “CHANGES TO RU REQUIREMENTS”). Please note, the first couple of minutes of the recording show a black screen. Do not be alarmed. After taking a moment to admit folks (we had nearly 300 in attendance) and some brief introductory remarks, the slides will be displayed. We strongly encourage RUs to view these resources to familiarize yourself and understand new requirements for RUs.

Areas covered in the webinar, slides and accompanying materials include:

- RU education
- Collection requirements
- Recycling ordinance modifications/multi-family recycling
- Elimination of a pounds/person collection standard
- Changes for haulers and MRFs that affect RUs

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter and please reach out with any questions.

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