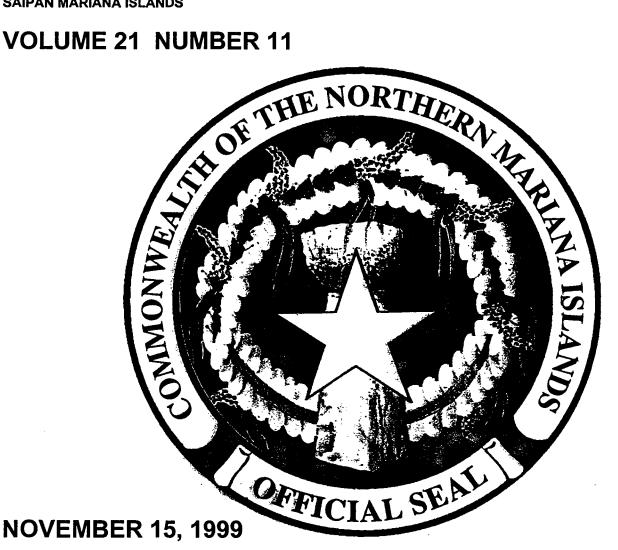
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## **COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS**



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### Regulation Regarding Limited Suspension of Personnel Service System Rules and Regulations Part XII

Citation of Statutory Authority:

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The Civil Service Commission is authorized to promulgate this modification of a regulation pursuant to 1 CMC Section 8117.

Short Statement of Goals and Objectives:

To suspend Part XII of the Personnel Service System Rules and Regulations with respect to the customs class series within the Department of Finance and the nursing class series and midwives within the Department of Public Health.

Brief Summary of the Rules:

Part XII of the Personnel Service System Rules and Regulations will be suspended 10 days after adoption of this regulation with respect to the customs class series within the Department of Finance and the nursing class series and midwives within the Department of Public Health.

For Further Information, Contact:

Norbert S. Sablan, Executive Director Civil Service Commission Building No. 1211, Capitol Hill Telephone: 670-322-4363 Facsimile: 670-322-3327

Citation of Affected Rules and Regulations:

Part XII of the Personnel Service System Rules and Regulations.

Submitted by:

Vincente M. Sablan, Chairman

Date

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Notice of Proposed Regulation Regarding Limited Suspension of Personnel Service System Rules and Regulations Part XII

**<u>CONTENTS</u>**: Part XII of the Personnel Service System Rules and Regulations will be suspended 10 days after adoption of this regulation with respect to the customs class series within the Department of Finance and the nursing class series and midwives within the Department of Public Health.

**INTENT TO ADOPT**: The Civil Service Commission intends to adopt this limited suspension of the existing rules and regulations as a permanent regulation pursuant to 1 CMC Section 9104(a)(1) and (2), and therefore publishes in the Commonwealth Register this notice of opportunity to submit comments. If necessary, a hearing will be provided. Comments on the content of the regulations may be sent to: Norbert S. Sablan, Executive Director, Civil Service Commission, Building No. 1211, Capitol Hill.

**<u>AUTHORITY</u>**: The Civil Service Commission is authorized to promulgate this modification of a regulation pursuant to 1 CMC Section 8117.

Issued by:

Vincente M. Sablan, Chairman

Date

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Date

Received by:

Pursuant to 1 CMC Section 2153 as amended by P-L 10-50, the modification of the regulation attached hereto has been reviewed and approved as to form and legal sufficiency by the CNMI Attorney General's Office.

Dated this Dated this day of November, 1999. Maya B. Kara Acting Attorney Elliott A. Sattler **Assistant Attorney General** 11/15/99 Filed and Recorded by:

Soledad B. Sasamoto Registrar of Corporations Date

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Notice of Limited Suspension of Personnel Service System Rules and Regulations Part XII

On January 29, 1999, the Civil Service Commission promulgated an amendment to the Personnel Service System Rules and Regulations (P S S R & R) for financial austerity measures that were to become Part XII of the P S S R & R. That amendment was adopted with a minor modification on April 6, 1999. Part XII of the P S S R & R, upon notice in the Commonwealth Register, suspended all increases in employees' salaries due to permanent or temporary promotions, acting or detail assignments, reallocation or reclassification of positions, and step increases based on attendance at workshops or other training programs. A Notice of Implementation of Financial Austerity Measures (i.e., Part XII) was published in the Commonwealth Register Vol. 21, No. 4, p. 16703 on April 19, 1999.

The Civil Service System Commission has determined that due to exigent circumstances and in accordance with Part IV. A3 of the P S S R & R, which requires equal pay for equal work and for variations in pay in proportion to differences in difficulty, responsibility, and qualification requirements, the financial austerity measures shall be suspended with respect to the customs class series in the Department of Finance and the nursing class series and midwives within the Department of Public Health.

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# NUTISIA PUT PRINIPONEN REGULASION PUT MINIDIYIN MASUSPENDEN AREKLAMENTON YAN REGULASION SISTEMAN SETBISIUN PETSONAT PATTE XII

**SUHETU:** Patte XII gi Areklamento yan Regulasion Sisteman Setbisiun Petsonat masuspende dies (10) dias despues di maadapta este na regulasion kon respetu yan I manattatiyi siha na klas customs gi halom Dipatamenton Fainansiat yan lokkue' I manattatiyi siha klas emfetmera yan pattero siha gi Depatamenton Hinemlo' Pupbliku.

**INTENSION INADAPTA:** I Kumision Setbisiun Sibit ha intensiona para u adapta este I minidiyin masuspenden I manprisenti na areklamento yan regulasion komu petmanente na regulasion siguy gi 1 CMC Seksiona 9104(a)(1) yan (2), pues mapupblika gi Rehistran Commonwealth para oputtunidat para hayi malago mansatmiti halom comentu. Yanggen nisisariu u managuaha I inekungok pupbliku. Koment put I suhetu gi regulasion sina ha' manahanao guato para si Norbert S. Sablan, Direktot Eksekatibu, Kumision Setbisiun Sibit, Guma' Numiru 1211, Capitol Hill.

**<u>ATURIDAT</u>**: I Kumision Setbisiun Sibit ma aturisa para u ribise este na regulasion sigun I 1CMC Seksiona 8117.

Fecha: 11/15/99

Sinaknos as:

VICENTE M. SABLAN Chairman Civil Service Commission

Fecha: 11/15/99

ØE/LEON GUERRERO Inakonfotma as: JØSE Assistant for Admin.

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Sigun gi 1 CMC Seksiona 2153 komu inamenda ni Lai Pupbliku I maribision regulasion ni chechetton guine esta maribisa yan apreba kom fotma yan sufisiente na ligat ginen Ofisinan Attorney General giya CNMI.

Ma fecha guine na dia I mina' \_\_\_\_\_, Nubembre, 1999.

Maya B. Kara Acting Attorney General

Elliott A. Sattler Assistant Attorney General

Ma file yan Renekot as:

Fecha: <u>11/15/99</u>

SOLEDAD B. SASAMOTO Rehistradoran Kotporasion

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**Ebwe Adopt:** Civil Service Commisson ebwe adopt li nmille limited suspension reel allégh kka ayoor iyeey me a scheilo' merrel aillewal 1 CMC Tálil 9104(a)(1) bwal (2) me iyeey a toolong llo'l Commonwealth Register arong yeel bwelle ebwe yoor isisilongol aiyegh ngare mángemáng. Ngare efil, ebwe yoor arongorong. Mángemáng ngare aiyegh bwelle reel allégh kkaal nge ebwe afang ngali: <u>Norbert S. Sablan, Executive Director, Civil Service Commission</u>, Building No. 1211, Capitol Hill.

**<u>Bwangil</u>:** <u>Civil Service Commission</u> eyoor bwangil ebwe arongaalo' yaal modification allégh kkaal sóngi aileewal 1 CMC Tálil 8117.

Mereel:

Vicente M. Sablan, Chairman Civil Service Commission

Rái:<u>11/15/99</u>

Alúghúlúgh Mereel:	Rái:_	
Bwughiyal: Jose I./Deleon Guerrer M. Special Assistant for	Rái:_ o Admin.	11/15/99

Sángi aileewal 1 <u>CMC</u> Tálil 2153 iye a lliiwel mereel Alléghúl Toulap (<u>Public Law</u>) 10-50, yaal <u>modification</u> alalégh ikka e appasch nge atakkal amweri me alúghúlúgh mereel buhalasiyol <u>CNMI</u> <u>Attorney General</u>.

Rái ye\_\_\_\_\_ llol maram ye Aremwoy (November), 1999.

Maya B. Kara Acting Attorney General

Elliott A. Sattler Assistant Attorney General

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Soledad B. Sasamoto Registrar of Corporation

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Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Office of the Secretary of Public Works 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor-Joeten Commercial Building, Gualo Rai Saipan, MP 96950



# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

#### SOLID WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL REGULATIONS

#### Citation of

Statutory Authority: Pursuant to 2 CMC 3514 of the Commonwealth Solid Waste Management Act of 1989.

Short Statement of Goals and Objectives:

To establish rules and regulations for the collection and disposal of solid waste at Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Solid Waste Facilities and to set fees on the disposal of such wastes.

Brief Summary of the Rule:

Provides a fee schedule for the disposal of solid waste at the Puerto Rico Dump, Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. The fee schedule exempts small loads to minimize the costs to most residential disposers.

For Further Information Contact: John Harder, Solid Waste Program Manager, Department of Public Works, telephone no. 322-2745 or fax 322-3547.

Citation of Related and or Affected Statutes Regulations and Orders:

None. This is the first time fees are being assessed for solid waste disposal as authorized by the Commonwealth Solid Waste Management Act of 1989.

Submitted by:

JOSEPH P. ROSARIO Acting Secretary of Public Works

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#### PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED

#### SOLID WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL REGULATIONS

The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Department of Public Works hereby notifies the general public that it proposes to adopt Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Regulations consistent with the Commonwealth Solid Waste Management Act of 1989. These regulations set fees for the disposal of solid waste at Commonwealth Solid Waste Disposal facilities.

All interested persons wishing to make comment may submit written comments about the proposed Solid Waste Disposal Regulations to the Department of Public Works, Solid Waste Program Manager, Lower Base, Saipan, MP 96950, not later than thirty (30) days from the date of this publication in the Commonwealth Register.

Dated this 15	_ day of, 1999.	
JOSEPH P. ROSAR Acting Secretary of Pr		
Received by:	JOSE I. DELEON GUERRERO Special Assistant for Administration	11/15/99 Date
<i>J</i> Filed and Recorded by:	SOLEDAD B. SASAMOTO Registrar of Corporations	

Pursuant to 1 CMC sec. 2153, as amended by Public Law 10-50, the rules and regulations attached hereto have been reviewed and approved as to form and legal sufficiency by the CNMI Attorney General's Office.

dav of Dated this MAYA B RA Attorney General (Acting)

NUTISIA POT PARA U MA AKSEPTA I MA PROPONE NA AREGLAMENTON I MA RIKOHI YAN MA YUTI' BASULA (SOLID WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL)

I Dipattamenton I Public Works ha nana'e nutisai I publicko na ha propone para hu aksepta I areglamenton man rikohi yan man yuti' basula (Solid Waste Collection and Disposal) sigun I ginagagao gi efektibu na lai ni mafanana'an Commonwealth Solid Waste Management Act of 1989. Esti na areglamento para u na' fan apasi I publiko pot man yuti' basula gi maseha manu guatto na sagan man yuti' basula.

Todo man intirisanti ni man malago' man na'halom guatto gi Dippattamento I Public Works, Solid Waste Manager, giya Lower Base, Saipan, MP 96950, taya' mas ki trenta (30) dias desdi I fecha anai ma publika guine gi I Commonwealth Register.

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Sigun I 1CMC Section 2153, kumu tinilaika ni Lai Publiko 10-50, I ma propone siha na areglamento ni chechetton guine, esta man ma inan maolek yan inapreba para u fotma ligat yan sufisiente ginen I Ofisinan I Attorney General giya CNMI.

Ma fecha guine gi \_\_\_\_\_\_ na dia gi \_\_\_\_\_\_, 1999.

MAYA B. KARA Acting Attorney General FECHA

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# SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AND COLLECTION REGULATIONS

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Section 1. Definitions: The following phrases in these regulations shall be defined as follows:

- a. Commercial Waste Haulers: Any person, business or government agency or other entity who transports Municipal Solid Waste generated by others.
- b. Commonwealth Solid Waste Management Facilities: Landfills, dumps, refuse transfer stations, recycling centers, composting operations and other waste receiving facilities operated by the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Department of Public Works, Division of Solid Waste Management.
- c. Compacted Load: A load that is hauled in a vehicle or container which is equipped with a hydraulic mechanism, or is designed to be used in conjunction with a hydraulic ram mechanism which compresses the load in order to maximize the amount of material that can be hauled in the vehicle or container. All other loads shall be considered to be uncompacted.
- d. Construction and Demolition Waste (C&D): Largely inert solid waste resulting from the construction, demolition or razing of buildings, roads or other structures, or from the clearing of land. Includes materials such as concrete, rock, brick and masonry, asphalt, wood, roofing and roofing paper, gypsum board, plaster, steel, and minor amounts of other metals. Construction and demolition waste does not include clean-up materials contaminated with hazardous substances, friable asbestos, waste paints, solvents, sealers or similar materials.
- e. Friable Asbestos Containing Material: Any material containing more than one (1) percent friable asbestos (as defined under U.S. Code, Title 15, Section 2642) by weight.
- f. Garment Waste: Refuse generated by businesses that are engaged in the processing of textiles and/or the manufacture of garments and that primarily contains textile scraps.
- g. Green Waste: Trees, leaves, brush, grass clippings, landscape waste, yard trimmings and other similar plant material. Does not include land clearing debris mixed with dirt or rock.
- h. Household Refuse: Solid waste (including garbage, trash and sanitary waste in septic tanks) generated by residents directly as a result of their occupation or maintenance of their households. Does not include special wastes such as white goods, tires or batteries.
- i Land Clearing Debris: Material generated as the result of clearing land for construction. Primarily dirt, rock and vegetative material. Does not include municipal refuse or Construction Demolition waste.
- j. Material Designated for Recycling: Cardboard, Aluminum Cans, Glass Beverage Containers, Scrap Metal, and Green Waste.
- k. Municipal Solid Waste: All refuse, discards or other, no longer useable, material generated through normal residential, agricultural, commercial and industrial activities. Includes, but

is not limited to: household waste, vegetative and animal waste generated by agricultural operations, commercial solid waste, non-hazardous sludge, conditionally exempt small quantity hazardous waste, construction and demolition waste, and industrial solid waste.

- 1. Residential Disposer: An individual homeowner who hauls refuse generated from his own residence. Does not include self-haul waste from multiple units such as apartment complexes, barracks or other multi-family dwellings, or agricultural waste hauled from agricultural properties which include residences.
- m. Special Waste: Solid waste, which due to its potential impact on public health and or the environment, requires special handling and additional environmental controls. Special Wastes include, but are not limited to, junk cars, scrap tires, used lead acid batteries, white goods, used motor oil, dead animals, infectious medical waste, and sewage sludge.
- n. White Goods: Appliances which are predominately made of metal and greater than one cubic foot in volume. Includes such items as refrigerators, washers, dryers, water heaters, air conditioners and ranges.

# Section 2. Tipping Fees at Commonwealth Solid Waste Facilities not Equipped with Vehicle Scales.

For the receipt and disposal of solid waste delivered to Commonwealth solid waste management facilities not equipped with vehicle scales, or to Commonwealth solid waste management facilities equipped with vehicle scales which are not operable, by any business, industry, governmental agency, or educational institution, a tipping fee based on a volumetric assessment shall be charged to the disposer as specified in Subsections a. through b. inclusive.

The initial tipping fees for Commonwealth Solid Waste Facilities not equipped with vehicle scales are based on a base fee rate of approximately \$10 per ton and standard volumetric solid waste conversions. For loads above 2 cubic yards, the charges above will be imposed based on the capacity of the of vehicle regardless of whether it is fully loaded or not. Separate fees shall be assessed for a trailer and the vehicle towing it if both the trailer and the towing vehicle are carrying solid waste.

#### a. Municipal Solid Waste

Typical Vehicle or Container Type	General Volume	<b>Tipping Fee</b>
55 gal. drum (approx. 1/3 cu yd)	3 or less drums 4 to 6drums 7 to 8 drums More than 8 drums	No Charge \$2.00 \$4.00 \$2.00/2 drums
Pick up truck or other passenger vehicle	less than one (1) cubic yard 1 to 2 cubic yards 2 to 4 cubic yards	No Charge \$2.00 \$4.00
Flat bed truck, trailer, or	less than 3 cubic yards	\$4.00

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overloaded pick up truck	3 to 5 cubic yards 5 to 8 cubic yards	\$6.00 \$10.00
Dump truck or large trailer	less than 5 cubic yards 5 to 10 cubic yards 10 to 15 cubic yards	\$6.00 \$12.00 \$18.00
Compactor Truck	less than 5 cubic yards 5 to 10 cubic yards 10 to 20 cubic yards	\$10.00 \$20.00 \$40.00
Roll-off container	less than 10 cubic yards 10 to 20 cubic yards 20 to 30 30 to 40	\$12.00 \$22.00 \$32.00 \$42.00

b. Any loads containing friable asbestos containing material, sewage sludge, dead animals and quantities greater than 2 cubic yards of spoiled food. Any refuse containing more than a total of 20% by volume of materials designated for recycling. C&D debris containing concrete, asphalt, rock or dirt, or land clearing debris containing municipal refuse or scrap metal.

Typical Vehicle Type	General Volume	<b>Tipping Fee</b>
55 gal. drum (approx. 1/3 cu yd)	3 drums or less 4 to 6 drums 7 to 8 drums more than 8 drums	No Charge \$4.00 \$8.00 \$2.00/2 drums
Pick up truck or other passenger vehicle	less than one (1) cubic yard 1 to 2 cubic yards 2 to 4 cubic yards	No Charge \$4.00 \$8.00
Flat bed truck, trailer, or overloaded pick up truck	less than 3 cubic yards 3 to 5 cubic yards 5 to 8 cubic yards	\$8.00 \$12.00 \$20.00
Dump truck or large trailer	less than 5 cubic yards 5 to 10 cubic yards 10 to 15 cubic yards	\$12.00 \$24.00 \$36.00
Compactor Truck	less than 5 cubic yards 5 to 10 cubic yards 10 to 20 cubic yards	\$20.00 \$40.00 \$80.00
Roll-off container	less than 10 cubic yards 10 to 20 cubic yards 20 to 30 30 to 40	\$24.00 \$44.00 \$64.00 \$84.00

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#### Section 3. Payment System

- a. Payment of Fees: Tipping fee charges incurred at the Commonwealth Solid Waste Facilities, whether or not they are equipped with scales, operable or not, under this Section shall be paid on site, either in cash, or by coupons. Fees of \$10.00 or less may be paid in cash. All fee charges over \$10.00 must be paid by pre-purchased coupons.
- b. Payment by Coupons: Pre-paid coupons for payment of fees at Commonwealth Solid Waste Facilities may be purchased from the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Department of Finance. Commonwealth Solid Waste Facilities will not accept cash payments for tipping fees for fees in excess of \$10.00. <u>Commonwealth Solid Waste Facilities users</u> <u>must obtain tipping fee coupons from the Department of Finance</u>, which coupons shall be presented at the Commonwealth Solid Waste Facilities to pay the tipping fees for loads of waste to be disposed. <u>Coupons will not be sold at Commonwealth Solid Waste Facilities</u>.
- c. Purchase of Coupons: Coupons shall be issued in books of five and ten coupons in two U.S. dollar (\$2.00) and ten U.S. dollar (\$10.00) denominations. All persons, businesses, industries, governmental agencies, institutions, or organizations which intend to dispose of solid waste at a Commonwealth solid waste facility shall purchase coupons to use at landfill facilities from any CNMI Treasury branch. Coupons will be sequentially numbered and attached to receipt stubs in the coupon books. Coupons must be presented intact in their books. Loose coupons will not be accepted.
- d. All Commercial Waste Haulers shall be required to register with the Department of Environmental Quality. Prior to purchase of disposal coupons from the Department of Finance, the Commercial Waste Hauler shall be required to show proof of current registration.
- e. Free Disposal for Small Loads: All loads less than one (1) cubic yard in volume or contained in less than three (3) 55 gallon drums shall be exempted from Tipping Fees.
- f. Collection of Fees and/or Coupons: The gate attendant shall assess the volume of all incoming vehicles and based on his/her determination charge the appropriate fee. For fees to be paid by coupons the attendant shall remove the appropriate number of coupons from the coupon book and stamp both the coupons and the receipt stubs. Loose coupons will not be accepted.
- g. Determination of Volumetric Assessment: The attendant at the entry to the facility shall be the sole judge of the capacity of the incoming vehicle. Should there be any disagreement regarding the attendant's determination, the hauler shall file an appeal with the DWSM where an actual measurement of the container or vehicle capacity will be made.
- h. Creation of Coupons: The Division of Solid Waste Management shall be responsible for the creation and printing of coupons and the delivery to the Department of Finance for sale at CNMI Treasury Offices. Coupons shall be numbered to provide a means of monitoring

whether forgeries are being created and used. Coupons shall be attached to receipt stubs for tracking of payment by haulers.

- i. The Division of Solid Waste Management shall be responsible for verifying the accuracy of the coupons presented at Commonwealth Solid Waste Facilities. The CNMI Treasury Office shall issue receipts and shall note the serial number of the coupons issued to Commercial Tipping Fee coupon purchasers. They shall include the name and DEQ registration number (when appropriate) of the purchaser. The Treasury Office shall transmit all receipts and tracking forms to the Division of Solid Waste Management who shall be responsible for all accounting functions relating to the verification of, and accounting of tipping Fee coupons sold into the CNMI General Fund.
- j. Lost Coupons: Lost coupons, regardless of whether they are commercial or residential coupons, shall not be replaced. Residential disposers who lose coupons shall have to bear the cost of replacing the coupons at commercial cost.
- k. The Department of Public Works, Division of Solid Waste Management shall be responsible for administering the collection of tipping fee coupons at Commonwealth Solid waste management facilities.

#### Section 4. Waiver of Tipping Fees

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Notwithstanding any other provision of these regulations to the contrary, the tipping fees can be waived for refuse generated as a result of a typhoon or for the benefit of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

- a. The Department of Public Works, Division of Solid Waste Management shall be responsible for administering the waiver provisions in these regulations.
- b. The person, entity applying for waiver of tipping fees shall sign a declaration under penalty of perjury stating that the refuse was generated by a typhoon or describing the public benefit to be gained by granting of a waiver for non-typhoon based requested and stating the volumetric capacity to be disposed.
- c. The Department of Public Works shall grant a waiver of tipping fees based on the signed declaration, provided that the Department of Public Works may establish procedures to verify volumetric capacity and to verify that the refuse was generated by a typhoon or a finding that a public benefit to the Commonwealth by granting of a waiver.

#### Section 5: Requirements for Commercial Waste haulers

It shall be unlawful for any person to initiate the commercial collection of municipal solid waste without first registering with the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).

a. All applicants shall fill out and submit their registration on forms furnished by the DEQ and shall be accompanied by the following information for approval:

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- (1) A copy of their current business license.
- (2) A list of all trucks and other equipment involved in the operation.
- (3) The location of any vehicle or equipment storage facility.
- b. Each registration form shall contain the original signature of the owner and applicant and shall constitute acknowledgment that the applicant will assume responsibility for operation of the collection business in accordance with these rules and regulations and any conditions made part of registration.
- c. Registration applications <u>containing all required information</u> shall be considered approved 30 days following submital, unless specific action is taken by DEQ. Commercial waste hauler registration shall be renewed annually. The annual fee shall be \$25.
- d. The registration may not be modified or transferred (including change of business address) without approval from the Director of DEQ. The Director, on the Director's own motion, may modify, suspend or revoke any Commercial Waste Hauler's registration, if, the Director determines any of the standard conditions have been violated or any of the provisions of 2 CMC 3511 to 3521 or 2 CMC 2648 to 3134, or that such is in the public interest. Modifications, suspensions, or revocations shall become final 10 days after service of the notice of final decision on the holder of the registration.
- e. Standard Conditions:

(1) All employees shall have received proper safety training as required by OSHA.

(2) All loads shall be covered or otherwise managed to prevent windblown debris.

(3) The operator shall have in place management standards to minimize public nuisances such as odors and vectors (i.e. flies and rodents) or leaking loads.

(4) All refuse shall be managed in such a manner as to prevent any impact on public health and safety.

(5) All employees shall be made aware of any DEQ or DSWM disposal restrictions.

(6) All employees shall strictly follow any instruction given by DSWM personnel at the solid waste management facility.





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### NOTICE AND CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION OF AMENDMENT TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE CNMI GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM

The Board of Trustees of the NMI Retirement Fund hereby gives notice of the adoption of the amendment increasing the employees' contribution rate to the CNMI Government Group Health Insurance program. **The rate increase shall take effect commencing on the first pay period in January 2000.** Prior to the rate increase adoption, the proposed amendment was originally published in the Commonwealth Register Volume 21 Number 08 dated August 23, 1999. There were no comments received objecting to the proposed amendment.

By our signatures below, we hereby certify that the proposed amendment is the true and correct amendment adopted by the NMI Retirement Fund Board of Trustees. We further request that this Notice and Certification of Adoption be immediately published in the Commonwealth Register.

We declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of October 1999 at Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Vicente C. Camacha Chairman, Board of Trustees

Certification by the Office of the Attorney General

S. Torres

Administrator, NMI Retirement Fund

Pursuant to 1 CMC §2153 as amended by Public Law 10-50, the amendment attached hereto has been reviewed and approved as to form and legal sufficiency by the Office of the Attorney General.

Maya Kara Acting Attorney General Filed by: Soledad B. Sasamoto **Registrar** of Corporation Received by: ose I. Deleon Guerrero al Assistant for Administration

Date: 100.

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Type of Enrollment	Enrollment Code Number		Bi-weekly Cost
Self Only High Option	201	Government Contribution Subscriber Contribution Total Premium	\$ 5.57 <u>\$32.79</u> <b>\$38.36</b>
Self and Family High Option	202	Government Contribution Subscriber Contribution Total Premium	\$14.60 <u>\$<b>85.88</b></u> \$ <b>100.48</b>
Self Only Low Option	204	Government Contribution Subscriber Contribution Total Premium	\$ 3.50 <u>\$20.63</u> \$24.13
Self and Family Low Option	2 0 5	Government Contribution Subscriber Contribution Total Premium	\$ 8.40 <u>\$<b>49.65</b></u> \$58.05

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Article 10, Section 10.15 relating to the bi-weekly contribution of subscribers is amended to read as follows: