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**MEETING NOTICE
RAMSEY/WASHINGTON RECYCLING & ENERGY BOARD**

Date: Thursday, February 26, 2026
Time: 10 a.m. – noon
Location: Ramsey/Washington Recycling & Energy Center | 100 Red Rock Road | Newport, MN | 55055 |
Tours Building, Mississippi Conference Room | [Map](#)
Public: Members of the public are encouraged to participate remotely or may attend at the Newport address.
[Microsoft Teams](#) | Phone Conference ID: 599 763 920# | Call in (audio only) 1-323-792-6297

AGENDA:

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MPCA and City of Newport
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NEXT MEETING:

R&E Board | Thursday, April 30, 2026 | 10 a.m. – noon | Ramsey/Washington Recycling & Energy Center, Newport



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THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 2026
RAMSEY/WASHINGTON RECYCLING & ENERGY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Ramsey/Washington Recycling & Energy Board (R&E Board) was held at 10 a.m. at the Ramsey/Washington Recycling & Energy Center (R&E Center), 100 Red Rock Road, Newport, Minnesota. Members of the public attended remotely or in person at the Newport address.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Commissioners Karla Bigham and Fran Miron – Washington County
Commissioners Kelly Miller, Rafael Ortega (joined at 10:16 a.m.) and Mai Chong Xiong (alternate; joined at 10:07 a.m.) – Ramsey County

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Commissioner Mary Jo McGuire – Ramsey County (remote spectator)

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT

Dave Benke – Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA)
Tom Ingemann – City of Newport (remote)

ATTENDING AT THE R&E CENTER, NEWPORT

Leigh Behrens, Dave Brummel, Amy Caron, Rae Eden Frank, Annalee Garletz, Kelli Hall, Sam Hanson, Sam Holl, Kevin Johnson, Nate Klett, Cassie Lefeber, Trista Martinson, Andrea McKennan, Deb Orth, Matt Phillips, Jim Redmond, John Ristad, Tara Roffler, Daniel Schmidt

ATTENDING REMOTELY

Amber Backhaus, Alisha Black, Gary Bruns, Alison Cameron, Mikaela Campbell, Reyna Chavez, Tammy Christopherson, Hannah Coyle, Max Dalton, Dan Donkers, Amanda Erickson, Tutu Fatukasi, Sam Ferguson, Jamie Giesen, Lianna Goldstein-Rancich, Cindy Hanson, Abigail Hindson, Caroline Hofmeister, Filsan Ibrahim, Susan Jamison, Fatima Janati, Ian Johnson, Noah Johnson, Hannah Keller, Julie Ketchum, Jon Klapperich, Nick Kluge, Nicolette Linscott, Kara Lundin, Mary Jo McGuire, Kathleen Murphy, Rob Murray, Amina Muumin, Juna Neisinger, Michelle Palm, Jessica Paquin, Gabby Rosenthal, Kaija Schlangen, Ashley Stoner, Ryan Tritz, Gina Williams, Jolee Wood, Sherilyn Young

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Miron called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. Introductions were made.

AGENDA OF JANUARY 29, 2026 PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL

Motion by Miller, seconded by Bigham, to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

Ayes: Bigham, Miller, Miron, Ortega and Xiong.
Nays: None.

MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 20, 2025 PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL

Motion made by Bigham, seconded by Miller, to approve the minutes of November 20, 2025. Motion passed.

Ayes: Bigham, Miller and Miron.
Nays: None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Presented by: Jim Redmond, Contract Manager

The contract information is included in the January 29, 2026 R&E Board packet.

Motion by Bigham, seconded by Miller, to approve Resolution R&EB 2026-01 Consent Agenda. Motion passed.

Ayes: Bigham, Miller and Miron.
Nays: None.

GOVERNANCE

Election of Officers

Presented by: Commissioner Miron, R&E Board Vice Chair

As a part of the board process, officers were elected for the 2025-2026 term, with leadership rotating between Ramsey and Washington Counties. For 2026, Commissioner McGuire will continue to serve as chair, and Commissioner Miron will continue to serve as vice chair.

The secretary/treasurer position held by Commissioner Bigham ran through December 2025. The term of the newly elected secretary/treasurer will run through 2027. The secretary/treasurer also serves as the chair of the Facility & Finance Committee. Commissioner Miron nominated Commissioner Bigham for the position. A call was made for further nominations. None were brought forward and nominations were closed.

Ayes: Bigham, Miller, Miron and Xiong.
Nays: None.

Appointments to Facility & Finance Committee

Presented by: Commissioner Miron, R&E Board Vice Chair

The Facility & Finance Committee consists of the elected secretary-treasurer and two additional board commissioners, with members appointed annually by the chair and ratified by a majority vote of the board. R&E Board Chair McGuire, in a non-quorum setting, designated Commissioners McGuire and Miller to serve alongside Secretary-Treasurer Bigham for 2026.

Motion by Bigham, seconded by Miller, to ratify the appointments to the Facility & Finance Committee. Motion passed.

Ayes: Bigham, Miller and Miron.

Nays: None.

Partnership Board Alternates

Presented by: Commissioner Miron, R&E Board Vice Chair

The Partnership on Waste and Energy (Partnership) Board includes the chair and vice chair of the R&E Board. Commissioners McGuire and Miron will continue to serve in this capacity for the second year of the 2025-2026 term.

In 2025, Commissioners Miller and Bigham were appointed as R&E alternate representatives to the Partnership Board for the 2025-2026 term. They will continue to serve as alternate representatives for the second year of the 2025-2026 term.

This item is for information only. No vote was necessary.

Board Workshop: Alternative Governance

Presented by: Trista Martinson, R&E Executive Director, and Leigh Behrens, R&E Planning & Project Manager

Solid waste governance options were reviewed to determine if R&E and county staff should work together to evaluate potential governance structures for joint solid waste management.

The decision tree introduced at the November 18, 2025 R&E Board meeting was again presented to the R&E Board. After the workshop, the R&E Board will review decision point number three: approving a platform that includes working with other entities on legislation that modifies the language for solid waste management districts in Minnesota. Decision point number four will be a governance decision.

R&E's evolution and alignment were reviewed, noting the partnership has withstood the test of time and accomplished many things. Since its inception, the R&E Center has only sent 12% of waste generated to a landfill and has recycled nearly 50% of all waste generated. Successes are based on strategic principles. The R&E Board will identify a governance model that best fits the goals of the counties and R&E. An analysis will be done to lay the groundwork for an assessment.

Governance analyses were completed in 2014 and 2025. In 2014, four systems were considered, with the final determination being that a joint powers agreement was the most viable option, due to current legislative conditions. The 2025 preliminary analysis reviewed 12 solid waste energy systems. Key findings indicate all government systems are different but share common threads; individual state laws require specific types of structures; governing boards with elected officials are necessary to complete the work; and there needs to be a way to expand or extract entities.

The four scenarios under review include: keeping the existing joint powers agreement, creating a strengthened joint powers agreement, establishing a waste district according to current legislation and

setting up a waste district based on proposed legislation. Various factors were assessed for each of these scenarios.

After discussion, the R&E Board approved moving forward with further research related to alternative governance and holding workshops for the Ramsey and Washington county boards, with a pre-workshop memo to the county boards and a high-level review with pros and cons.

Motion by Bigham, seconded by Xiong, to proceed with the presentation of this workshop to both county boards. Motion passed.

Ayes: Bigham, Miller, Miron, Ortega and Xiong.

Nays: None.

POLICY

2026 Legislative Platform

Presented by: Melissa Finnegan, R&E Strategic Partnership Manager

The 2026 proposed legislative platform is included in the meeting materials. Priority items include infrastructure investment, regional governance and public health and safety. The priorities are in line with the platform approved by the Partnership Board.

The third priority relates to infectious waste, for which draft legislation has not yet been drafted.

A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Bigham, to approve Resolution R&EB-2026-02 2026 Legislative Platform. Agenda. Motion passed.

Ayes: Bigham, Miller, Miron, Ortega and Xiong.

Nays: None.

MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

UPDATES AND REPORTS

Commissioner Update

Presented by: Fran Miron, R&E Board Vice Chair

The Partnership Board met on December 18, 2025 and January 8, 2026. Hennepin County Commissioner Debbie Goettel will serve as chair in 2026, and Commissioner McGuire will serve as vice chair. The board approved a 2026 legislative platform. Caleb Johnson was recognized for his work for the board. After putting out a request for proposal, the Partnership Board has contracted with Poul Haas for lobbying services.

Commissioner Bigham reported on the December 2025 sustainable materials and solid waste immersive learning trip. The group visited facilities in several municipalities in the Westphalia area of Germany. It was noted that Germany does not landfill any waste. This topic warrants a state-wide discussion and will be brought to the attention of the Minnesota Association of Counties and other organizations.

Corporate behavior regarding disposal of returned items was also noted. The two interns from Germany, who will be joining R&E for five months beginning March 31, 2026, visited some of the facilities with the group.

Executive Director Update

Presented by: Trista Martinson, R&E Executive Director

A feasibility study for the Gerdau site is underway, with DHG engaged as a partner due to their extensive experience in similar projects. The study will involve a comprehensive assessment of current assets and the requirements needed to move forward. The next phase involves bringing together stakeholders. The ideal level of board involvement was discussed. Board members who wish to participate should contact Executive Director Martinson. A City of Newport representative will also be invited to participate. Regular updates will be provided to the R&E Board.

There has been a decrease in issues related to infectious waste. Discussions were held with HealthPartners and hospital officials toured the R&E Center. An interest in working with R&E on organics recycling was noted.

Strategic Partnership Update

Presented by: Melissa Finnegan, R&E Strategic Partnerships Manager

Finnegan gave an update on the progress of the grants. \$5 million in earmarked federal funding has been approved for tipping fee reimbursement funding for the anaerobic digester.

R&E did not receive funding for recycling projects or flail mill repair rebuild. A \$72,000 grant has been secured for installation of a solar array. The contract was signed on January 28, 2026. A \$51,774 contract has been secured for statewide organics recycling for multifamily buildings.

The Public Utilities Commission's docket related to wood waste being considered carbon free determined that it can be considered carbon if specific lifecycle analysis requirements are met. The refuse-derived fuel we create at R&E and send to Xcel Energy could be considered carbon free. Talking points will be provided to the R&E Board.

The 2026 legislative session begins on February 17, 2026 and will last 13 weeks. It is a non-budget year. Noted priorities for 2026 are fraud, firearms and federal issues. All the Minnesota legislative seats are up for election in 2026. Poul Haas has a list of legislators who are retiring or not running for re-election, which can be provided to R&E Board members.

Programs Update

Presented by: Sam Hanson, R&E Programs Director

The video commemorating the 10-year R&E anniversary was shown, and this milestone will be recognized throughout 2026. A unique logo has also been introduced to mark the occasion. Program updates will be provided at the February 26, 2026 R&E Board meeting.

Facility Update

Presented by: Sam Holl, R&E Facility Director

Holl reported on facility volumes for 2025. Incoming material solid waste came in at 431,378 tons, down 2.5% from 2024. Diversion to landfill increased 47% in 2025 due to unscheduled maintenance and extended scheduled maintenance. The increase of 261.6% in food scrap bag recycling was highlighted. Holl also reported on the work being done by the Minnesota Resource Recovery Association (MRRRA), which he now chairs. He highlighted the organization’s study regarding waste-to-energy and effectively eliminating PFAS. The study is being promoted by MRRRA in partnership with Goff Engineering. The executive summary of the study will be shared with county commissioners.

Procurement Report

Presented by: Jim Redmond, R&E Contract Manager

The presented report covered both December 2025 and January 2026. There were 39 contracts issued: 21 related to the facility and 18 related to programs. Grants totaling \$450,000 were issued during that time. The grants were used to provide materials and infrastructure to support waste reduction and recycling efforts.

OTHER BUSINESS

Invitation for Comments from Ex Officio Members

MPCA Director Dave Benke noted the critical materials recovery report will be shared with R&E Executive Director Martinson. With Benke’s upcoming retirement, the ex officio position he currently holds on the R&E Board will be assumed by the incoming director.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the R&E Board will be held on Thursday, February 26, 2026 at 10 a.m. at the R&E Center in Newport.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Miron adjourned the business meeting at 12:09 p.m.

ATTEST:

Commissioner Fran Miron, Vice Chair
February 26, 2026

February 26, 2026



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R&E BOARD MEETING DATE:	February 26, 2026			AGENDA ITEM:	IV.			
SUBJECT:	Consent Agenda							
TYPE OF ITEM:	<input type="checkbox"/>	INFORMATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	POLICY DISCUSSION	<input type="checkbox"/>	ACTION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CONSENT
SUBMITTED BY:	Trista Martinson, R&E Executive Director							

R&E BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of Consent Agenda.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Consent agenda items:

- Replacement of two deep pit truck scales at the Ramsey/Washington Recycling & Energy (R&E) Center
- HR agreement for non-represented medical, dental, vision and life insurance benefits access through Ramsey County
- Adjustment to strategic partnership manager salary schedule
 - Human Resources has conducted a review of the strategic partnerships manager salary schedule and has found it to be low in comparison to similar jobs in the local labor market. This position plays an integral role in R&E’s future, and it is important that the job be priced fairly to remain competitive in the labor market. Given the breadth of work expected of this position and its current position relative to the local labor market, R&E’s executive director and human resources staff are recommending an adjustment to the strategic partnership manager salary schedule.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN:

- Strategic Goal 3a: Prioritized waste reduction and diversion
- Strategic Goal 4b: Streamlined internal processes through human resource and technology capacity-building

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Draft Resolution (R&EB-2026-03)
2. Draft Truck Scale Replacement Contract
3. HR Agreement with Ramsey County
4. Strategic Partnerships Manager Salary Schedule

SUBJECT: *Consent Agenda*

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

- Truck scale replacement will cost approximately \$300,000 and the funds are included in the approved Equipment Maintenance & Repair budget.
- The HR agreement with Ramsey County will cost \$10,000 per year.
- A pay band adjustment is budget neutral. Any resulting employee shift in pay can be accommodated in the existing 2026-2027 budgets.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES	DATE
R&E EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 	2/18/26
WASHINGTON COUNTY ATTORNEY 	2/18/26



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**RESOLUTION R&EB-2026-03
Consent Agenda**

WHEREAS, The Ramsey/Washington Recycling & Energy Board (R&E Board) is governed by the Amended and Restated Joint Powers Agreement by and between Ramsey County and Washington County dated November 12, 2024 (Joint Powers Agreement); and

WHEREAS, The R&E Board adopted Procurement Guidelines on January 23, 2025 (Resolution R&EB-2025-01), which specify the procurement methods for contracts and purchases; and

WHEREAS, The R&E Board approved the 2026-2027 Joint Activities, Facility and Equipment Maintenance & Replacement (EM&R) budgets on July 24, 2025, in accordance with Section V.B.8 of the Joint Powers Agreement; and

WHEREAS, R&E has deep pit truck scales that weigh approximately 440,000 tons of incoming and outgoing waste at the R&E Center per year; and

WHEREAS, Two of R&E's deep pit scales have reached the end of their useful life and are critical to facility operations and replacement has been budgeted for in the approved EM&R budget; and

WHEREAS, Coordinating replacement with other operations maintenance in March 2026 will reduce disruptions and minimize impacts on processing and waste delivery; and

WHEREAS, R&E staff have reviewed options and have determined that Fairbanks Scales, Inc. provides the best product and price of available options and recommends approval of the agreement to purchase and replace the two truck scales; and

WHEREAS, R&E entered into a Purchase of Service Agreement with Ramsey County in 2016 for non-represented medical, dental, vision and life insurance benefits; and

WHEREAS, The current agreement has expired and R&E staff recommend entering into an agreement to continue to obtain these benefits through Ramsey County, and Ramsey County has agreed to continue to provide these benefits to R&E; and

WHEREAS, The strategic partnerships manager is integral to R&E's future and has a salary schedule that is low in comparison to similar jobs in the local labor market; and

WHEREAS, The salary schedule for the strategic partnerships manager should be adjusted to remain competitive in the labor market. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, The R&E Board hereby approves entering into the following agreements and amendments thereto, and delegates authority to the executive director to execute the agreements and potential amendments, upon approval as to form by R&E's attorney and provided that funding is available in the approved budgets:

1. An agreement between R&E and Fairbanks Scales, Inc., for a term of March 1, 2026 through April 30, 2026, or project completion, for a maximum not to exceed of \$300,000.
2. An agreement between R&E and Ramsey County for a term of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027, with the option for renewals; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The R&E Board approves and adopts revisions to the previously approved salary schedule for the strategic partnerships manager position.

Fran Miron, Board Vice Chair
February 26, 2026

Attest
February 26, 2026



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Contract Overview

Vendor Name: Fairbanks Scales, Inc.

Aspen ID:

Goods or Services Being Provided: Deep pit truck scale replacement

Goods or Services Type: Professional Service

Contracting Department: Facility **Teams:**

Financial Information

Contract Type: Max Not to Exceed

Original Contract Amount: \$300,000

Current Contract Amount Including Renewals: \$300,000

Annual Budget for These Goods or Services: \$300,000

Maximum Potential Contract Spend Allowed Based on Signing Authority: NA - Within Approved Budget

Funding String:

Contract Overview

Contract Begin Date: 3/1/26

Original Term End Date: 4/30/26, or project completion

Current End Date: 4/30/26, or project completion

Contract Authority: Board Resolution

If Board Resolution, Resolution Number:

Solicitation Method: Single Source Under MS 473.811

Solicitation Description: Single source purchase under MS 473.811 justified because the scales are critical to the operation of the facility and need to be done in coordination with other system work. Project delays could result in a disruption of facility processing.



**SERVICE CONTRACT BETWEEN RAMSEY/WASHINGTON RECYCLING & ENERGY
AND FAIRBANKS SCALES INC.**

I. PARTIES

This Contract is made and entered into by and between Ramsey/Washington Recycling & Energy, hereinafter referred to as "R&E," and Fairbanks Scales, Inc., 6800 West 64th Street, Overland Park, Kansas 66202, herein referred to as "Contractor."

II. TERM OF CONTRACT

The term of this Contract shall be from March 1, 2026, through April 30, 2026, or until project completion. This Contract may be renewed up to a maximum term of five-years upon mutual agreement of the parties.

III. SCOPE OF SERVICES

Contractor will provide resources, labor, materials, equipment, and expertise for replacing two deep pit truck scales at R&E's facility in Newport, MN. Work shall conform to the Contractor's Proposal attached hereto and hereby made a part of this Contract as Exhibit A.

IV. COST AND PAYMENT

- A. The cost to R&E for the goods and services to be provided by the Contractor is set forth in Exhibit A. The Contractor may be reimbursed for the actual costs of freight and applicable taxes. The cost of this Contract shall not exceed \$300,000
- B. The Contractor will provide to R&E invoice(s) no more frequently than monthly, which shall include clear documentation of work completed, dates of work, location of work, and Contract Number RESFA-2248.
- C. R&E shall pay each invoice within 30 days of receipt of the invoice. If the invoice is incorrect or work was not performed as specified, R&E will notify the Contractor who shall provide R&E with a corrected invoice. Upon receiving the corrected invoice, R&E will make payment within 30 days of the corrected invoice.
- D. The Contractor shall email invoices to: sholl@recyclingandenergy.org.

V. NONDISCRIMINATION

The Contractor agrees to comply with the nondiscrimination provision set forth in Minnesota Statute § 181.59 and not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, or national origin. The Contractor's failure to comply with this requirement may result in cancellation or termination of the Contract, and all money due or to become due under the Contract may be forfeited for a second or any subsequent violation of the terms or conditions of this Contract.

VI. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal law, State statutes, Federal and State regulations, and local ordinances now in effect or adopted during the performance of the services herein until completion of said services. Failure to meet the requirements of the above shall be a substantial breach of the Contract and will be cause for cancellation of this Contract.

VII. POSSESSION OF FIREARMS ON R&E PREMISES

Unless specifically required by the terms of this Contract or the person it is subject to an exception provided by 18 USC §§ 926B or 926C (LEOSA) no provider of services pursuant to this Contract or subcontractors shall carry or possess a firearm on R&E premises or while acting on behalf of Ramsey/Washington Recycling & Energy pursuant to the terms of this Contract. Violation of this provision is grounds for immediate suspension or termination of this Contract.

VIII. SUBCONTRACTING AND ASSIGNMENT

The Contractor shall not enter into any subcontract for performance of any services contemplated under this Contract; nor novate or assign any interest in the Contract, without the prior written approval of R&E. Any assignment or novation may be made subject to such conditions and provisions as R&E may impose. If the Contractor subcontracts the obligations under this Contract, the Contractor shall be responsible for the performance of all obligations by the subcontractors.

IX. SUBCONTRACTOR PROMPT PAYMENT

Pursuant to Minnesota Statute § 471.425, subd. 4a., Contractor shall pay any subcontractors within 10 days of the Contractor's receipt of payment from R&E for undisputed services provided by the subcontractor. The Contractor shall pay interest of 1½ percent per month, or any part of a month, to the subcontractor on any undisputed amount not paid on time to the subcontractor. The minimum monthly interest penalty payment for an unpaid balance of \$100 or more is \$10. For an unpaid balance of less than \$100, the Contractor shall pay the actual penalty due to the subcontractor. The subcontractor shall have third party rights under this Contract to enforce this provision.

X. DATA PRACTICES

All data collected, created, received, maintained, or disseminated for any purpose by the activities of the Contractor, because of this Contract shall be governed by the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13 (Act), as amended and the Rules implementing the Act now in force or as amended. The Contractor is subject to the requirements of the Act and Rules and must comply with those requirements as if it is a governmental entity. The remedies contained in section 13.08 of the Act shall apply to the Contractor.

XI. AUDITS, REPORTS, RECORDS AND MONITORING PROCEDURES/RECORDS AVAILABILITY & RETENTION

Contractor's books, records, documents, and accounting procedures and practices, and other evidence relevant to this audit clause are subject to the examination, duplication, transcription and audit by R&E and either the Legislative or State Auditor, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 16C.05. The Contractor agrees to maintain books, records, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other evidence relevant to this audit clause for a period of six (6) years from the date services or payment were last provided or made or longer if any audit in progress requires a longer retention period.

XII. INDEMNIFICATION

The Contractor agrees it will defend, indemnify, and hold harmless R&E, its officers and

employees against any and all liability, loss, costs, damages, and expenses which R&E, its officers, or employees may hereafter sustain, incur, or be required to pay arising out of the negligent or willful acts or omissions of the Contractor in the performance of this Contract.

XIII. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor agrees that it will at all times during the term of this Contract, keep in force the following insurance protection in the limits specified:

- A. Commercial General Liability with Contractual liability coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence with a \$2,000,000 aggregate. An excess or umbrella liability policy may be used in conjunction with primary coverage limits to meet the minimum limit requirements.
- B. Professional Liability coverage in the amount of \$2,000,000 per wrongful act or claim with a \$2,000,000 annual aggregate.
- C. Cyber Liability coverage in the amount of \$5,000,000 per wrongful act or occurrence with a \$5,000,000 annual aggregate.
- D. Automobile coverage in the amount of \$1,500,000 on a combined single limit basis and include hired and non-owned. An excess or umbrella liability policy may be used in conjunction with primary coverage limits to meet the minimum limit requirements.
- E. Worker's Compensation in statutory amount (if applicable) of bodily injury by accident in the amount of \$500,000 each accident, bodily injury by disease in the amount of \$500,000 each employee, and bodily injury by disease in the amount of \$500,000 policy limit.

Ramsey/Washington Recycling & Energy shall be listed as additional insured as it relates to Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability.

Prior to the effective date of this Contract, the Contractor will furnish R&E with a current and valid proof of insurance certificate indicating insurance coverage in the amounts required by this Contract. This certificate of insurance shall be on file with R&E throughout the term of the Contract. As a condition subsequent to this Contract, Contractor shall ensure that the certificate of insurance provided to R&E will at all times be current. The parties agree that failure by the Contractor to maintain a current certificate of insurance with R&E shall be a substantial breach of the Contract and payments on the Contract shall be withheld by R&E until a certificate of insurance showing current insurance coverage in amounts required by the Contract is provided to R&E.

Any policy obtained and maintained under this clause shall provide that it shall not be cancelled, materially changed, or not renewed without thirty days' notice thereof to R&E.

XIV. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Nothing within the Contract is intended or should be construed in any manner as creating or establishing the relationship of co-partners between the parties or as constituting the Contractor as the agent, representative, or employee of R&E for any purpose or in any manner whatsoever. The Contractor is to be and shall remain an independent Contractor with respect to all services performed under this Contract.

The Contractor will secure, at its own expense, all personnel required in performing services under the Contract. Any and all personnel of the Contractor or other persons, while engaged in

the performance of any work or services required by the Contractor under this Contract shall have no Contractual relationship with R&E and shall not be considered employees of R&E.

XV. TERMINATION BY R&E FOR CONVENIENCE

R&E may terminate the Contract at any time and for any reason by providing the Contractor written notice of such termination. Upon such termination the Contractor shall be entitled to compensation for work activities in accordance with the Contract which were incurred prior to termination.

XVI. TERMINATION BY R&E FOR CAUSE

R&E may immediately terminate the Contract if R&E determines that the Contractor has failed to comply with any of the provisions of the Contract, for breach or default. Termination will be in writing setting forth the manner in which the Contractor is in default.

R&E in its sole discretion may, allow the Contractor a reasonable period of time not to exceed ten (10) days, in which to cure the defect. In such case, the notice of termination will state the time period in which cure is permitted and other appropriate conditions. If Contractor fails to remedy to R&E's satisfaction the breach or default of any of the terms, covenants, or conditions of this Contract within ten (10) days after receipt by Contractor of written notice from R&E setting forth the nature of said breach or default, R&E shall have the right to terminate the Contract without any further obligation to Contractor. Any such termination for default shall not in any way operate to preclude R&E from also pursuing all available remedies against Contractor and its sureties for said breach or default.

XVII. CONTRACTOR DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND RESPONSIBILITY CERTIFICATION

Federal Regulation 45 CFR 92.35 prohibits R&E from purchasing goods or services with federal money from vendors who have been suspended or debarred by the federal government.

Similarly, Minnesota Statutes, Section 16C.03, subdivision 2, provides the Commissioner of Administration with the authority to debar and suspend vendors who seek to Contract with R&E. Contractors may be suspended or debarred when it is determined through a duly authorized hearing process, that they have abused the public trust in a serious manner. By signing this Contract, the Contractor certifies that it and its principals* and employees:

- A. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from transacting business by or with any federal, state, or local governmental department or agency; and
- B. Have not within a three year-period preceding this Contract: 1) been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain or performing a public (federal, state, or local government) transaction or Contract, 2) violated any federal or state antitrust statutes, or 3) committed embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements or receiving stolen property; and are not presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity for:
 - a. commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain or performing a public (federal, state, or local government) transaction,
 - b. violating any federal or state antitrust statutes, or
 - c. committing embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of

- records, making false statements or receiving stolen property; and
- C. Are not aware of any information and possess no knowledge that any subcontractor(s), that will perform work pursuant to this Contract, are in violation of any of the certifications set forth above; and
 - D. Shall immediately give written notice to the Contract manager should the Contractor come under investigation for allegations of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining or performing a public (federal, state, or local government) transaction, violating any federal or state antitrust statute, or committing embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property.

*Principals, for the purpose of this certification, means officers, directors, owners, partners, and persons having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g., general manager, plant manager, head of subsidiary division or business segment, and similar positions).

XVIII. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Contractor affirms that, to the best of its knowledge, this Contract does not present a conflict of interest with any party or entity, which may be affected by the terms of this Contract. The Contractor agrees that, should any conflict or potential conflict of interest become known, it will immediately notify R&E of the conflict or potential conflict, and will advise R&E whether it will or will not resign from the other engagement or representation. Unless waived by R&E, a conflict or potential conflict may, in R&E's discretion, be cause for cancellation or termination of this Contract.

XIX. VENDOR/CONTRACTOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY USAGE AGREEMENT

All contractors having access to R&E information technology resources in the course of their work for R&E will be required to coordinate with R&E's IT Leadership Team in order to ensure IT systems security is maintained.

XX. SAFETY

The Contractor must comply with all state and federal Occupational Safety and Health regulations and laws.

This includes but is not limited to employee right to know concerning all materials classified by Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) as hazardous. All chemical dispensers/applicators will be clearly marked showing contents. All Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) relating to all chemicals shall be displayed where chemicals are stored. Any chemicals used in R&E buildings or in the performance of R&E projects shall have an MSDS which will be given to R&E before any work begins. Any spillage of chemicals shall be reported immediately to R&E and appropriate reporting agencies (i.e., MPCA). Report any problems, breakage, fires, etc., immediately to R&E.

Contractor shall remove all supplies, chemicals, etc., from R&E premises that were used to perform services and dispose of them properly. There will be no disposing of supplies and chemicals on R&E property. There will be no loaning of R&E tools and/or equipment to Contractors from R&E staff.

Drinking of alcoholic beverages, using of controlled substances (drugs) or being under the influence of drugs or alcohol is expressly prohibited. Refrain from smoking of any substance in or about R&E buildings.

XXI. SECURITY & PRIVACY

The Contractor is responsible to close, secure, and lock all doors in R&E facilities when services are performed after normal R&E hours or when no R&E personnel are present. While Contractors are working in R&E buildings, Contractor must sign in/out on a daily basis in addition to wearing a badge. Contractor should produce sufficient identification.

The Contractor agrees to take any precautions necessary to maintain security of R&E buildings and privacy of data found throughout R&E buildings or on R&E premises. All questions concerning security issues will be reported to R&E immediately upon discovery.

XXII. JURISDICTION & VENUE

This Contract, amendments, and supplements thereto, shall be governed by the laws of the State of Minnesota. All actions brought under this Contract shall be brought exclusively in Minnesota State Courts of competent jurisdiction with venue in Ramsey County.

XXIII. MODIFICATIONS

Any material alteration, modification, variations, or additional tasks to this Contract shall be reduced to writing as an amendment and signed by the parties. Any alterations, modifications, variations, or additional tasks deemed not to be material by Contract of R&E and the Contractor shall not require written approval.

XXIV. MERGER

It is understood and agreed that the entire Contract of the parties is contained herein and that this Contract supersedes all oral agreements and negotiations between the parties relating to this subject matter. All items referred to in this Contract are incorporated or attached and deemed to be part of this Contract. In the event of any conflict, contradiction, or ambiguity between the terms and conditions of this Contract and any other document(s) incorporated by reference to this Contract, the terms and conditions of this Contract shall prevail.

XXV. COUNTERPARTS

This Contract may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument.

SUBJECT: *Consent Agenda*

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF the parties have duly executed this Contract by their duly authorized officers:

RAMSEY/WASHINGTON RECYCLING & ENERGY

FAIRBANKS SCALES INC

Executive Director

Date

Contractor

Date

Approved as to form:

Assistant County Attorney

Date

Reviewed By: _____

Reviewed By: _____



RAMSEY/WASHINGTON
RECYCLING & ENERGY CENTER
NEWPORT, MN 55055

Thursday, February 5, 2026

Attn: Doug Germain and Sam Holl

RE: Quote # QUO-33118-Y4G7X2

Doug and Sam,

Here is an updated quote for the Fairbanks Scales Pre-Cast concrete deck truck scales at the Ramsey/Washington Recycling & Energy facility on Red Rock Rd.

We are working toward the goal of having the scales installed by April 1st.
In order to meet the target date we will need to place the order soon.
This project involves custom Engineering and production time.

Included in Fairbanks' and its Contractor's scope of work is removal and disposal of the existing scales, modification of load cell piers to accommodate the new scales, and repair of the steel angle coping on the tops of the pit foundation walls. Fairbanks will supply, anchor, wire, configure, and calibrate the scales. Our licensed technicians will have the scales placed In-Service and legal for trade as soon as we complete calibration.

******The pricing included for foundation modification does not include Winter construction costs.

Should the ready-mix company charge a Winter-mix premium, there will be additional cost associated – dependent upon actual timeline and weather.

Winter upcharges at the Ready-mix plants typically runs from OCT 1- APR 1

Cold Weather Concrete Trucking Fees, heated Material, Concrete Accelerant, and Concrete Blanketing were not included on this Estimate Proposal.

Potential Costs of \$6 - \$21 per yard of Concrete may be applied beyond this Estimate as required to combat the Weather. Blanketing Cost at \$23/ wk. per Blanket if Needed.

We look forward to seeing this to fruition.

Please feel free to reach out at any time if there is anything I can do to help.

Scott Pung

Fairbanks Scales, Inc.

Schedule of Materials

Catalog Number	Description	Unit Price	QTY	Extended Buy Price
17366-SP50705	Fairbanks Scales 70X10 "Precast" Tundra XL Engineered and manufactured to fit existing, modified pit foundation	\$98,279.64	2	\$196,559.28
37441	Fairbanks Scales FB7111 Digital Desktop Instrument With Intalogix Technology	\$1,531.00	2	\$3,062.00
15892	CS 500 UPS with SVP Uninterruptible Power Supply	\$370.00	2	\$740.00
26575	Fairbanks Scales 1605 Series 5" LED Remote Display	\$2,219.00	2	\$4,438.00
98079	Scale removal and foundation repair/modification	\$51,585.00	1	\$51,585.00
98078	Installation, calibration, and configuration Place In-Service with State of MN Weights & Measures	\$6,900.00	2	\$13,800.00

Estimated Freight ¹	<i>To Be added</i>
Applicable Taxes	<i>To Be added</i>
Total	\$270,184.28 <i>Plus Freight and Tax</i>

Payment Terms:

Net 30 upon approved credit, invoiced on three milestones: 1-Foundation completion, 2- Equipment shipment, 3- Installation completion. There will be a 20% cancellation fee (details in item #5 of attached Terms).

Lead Time:

At the time of quotation Lead Time is currently 5 weeks. Lead time will be updated after credit approval at point of award.

Price Validity:

All prices are firm for 30 days. Pricing based on ship date occurring within Ninety (90) days of order date or next available production date. Any schedule beyond that period may require repricing.

- Any order entered with a ship date equal to or greater than 90-days after order date will be subject to contract repricing (or, lesser available discounting)

-Any 3rd party or sub-contracted services will be invoiced at cost +15% at time of service

Freight:

¹The shipping quote provided is for budgetary use only. Shipping costs will vary based on shipping method and carrier requested at time of shipment- actual freight charges will be billed "Prepaid and Add" to invoice. Fairbanks Scales arranges and schedules freight as a courtesy service to our customers, the customer is welcome to arrange their own freight carrier or pickup if they have a preferred carrier or a less expensive option.

Responsibilities

Fairbanks Scales Responsibilities:

- Fairbanks Scales submit scale installation permit application to MN Department of Weights & Measures.
- Fairbanks Scales to set and anchor pre-cast scale modules, terminate customer-supplied wire, calibrate, and test scale
- All labor/truck & travel charges are included based on the site being clear and ready for construction or installation at time of scheduled start date. **Non-Union Labor will be used for the entire project.**
- Work during normal Fairbanks Scales workday M-F 8 am-5 pm.
- Fairbanks Scales is not responsible for unforeseen delays such as underground obstructions or acts of God.
- Neither Fairbanks nor the Foundation Contractor is responsible for the existing foundation or soil conditions under foundation.

Foundation Contractor’s Responsibilities:

- Remove and dispose of the old scales and decks off site
- Modify load piers to accept new scales and increase clearance between the weighbridges and concrete piers
Remove approximately 8” of 23”x23” concrete from each e load cell pier.
- Perform repair on steel angle iron coping on tops of pit foundation walls.
- Foundation Repairs – Outbound Scale
 - (2) End-Walls- Saw Cut and Remove Entire End Wall Tops 12-16" Tall
 - Remove Concrete, Haul Away, Supply New Coping Angle Sections-
 - Repair 5' & 2' sections on side walls w/ Hooks, Form, Dowel Rebar to Existing, Pour and Finish
- Foundation Repairs – Inbound Scale
 - Remove Concrete, Haul Away, Supply New Coping Angle Sections-
 - Repair 5' & 2' sections on side walls w/ Hooks, Form, Dowel Rebar to Existing, Pour and Finish
- If concrete pump is needed, the customer is responsible for the additional cost.
- Customer is responsible for any additional fill if needed for the scale foundation
- Neither Fairbanks nor the Foundation Contractor are responsible for the existing foundation or soil conditions under foundation.

Customer's Responsibilities:

- **Any soil tests, abnormal soil conditions other than free soil, shoring of any adjacent structures, roadways, etc. which might become endangered during excavation work, building permits, cylinder tests, and rock for base slab and approaches (if needed) by customer. It is the customers’ responsibility to maintain granular backfill along approach walls after foundation work is completed.**
- Customer to run 1.5” conduit and pull load cell homerun cable from scale to weight indicator in scale house.
No electrical work is included / quoted in this project.
- Customer to provide clean dedicated 110v power to scale house for weight indicator.
- Customer to provide free and clear access to site.
- Customer to set desired elevation and positioning of scale.
- If any of the above are not completed by either time of construction or installation customer agrees to pay Fairbanks Scales for any additional trips needed.
- Neither Fairbanks nor the Foundation Contractor are responsible for the existing foundation or soil conditions under foundation.

Freight Terms FOB: Meridian, MS 39307			
Applicable Sales Tax To be Added at Time of Invoice			
Quoted by:	Scott Pung	Accepted by:	
Title:	Area Sales Manager	Title:	
Quotation Date:	2/5/2026	Date:	
Pricing Valid Through:	4/5/2026	P.O. Number	



TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The following provisions form part of the quotation as express Agreements between Fairbanks Scales ("Company") and the Buyer governing the terms and conditions of the sale, subject to modification only in writing signed by the local manager or an executive officer of the Company. In the event of any differences between these terms and conditions and those of Buyer, Buyer acknowledges that notwithstanding anything to the contrary, these terms and conditions shall prevail and Buyer's signing of this quotation or accepting the goods and services to be delivered hereunder shall be conclusive proof thereof.

1. If the order is under and according to a Company dealer or distributor contract with Buyer in force at the time of acceptance, the provisions of such contract will control, except as expressly otherwise provided on the face hereof.
2. Fairbanks Scales Inc. (the "Company") warrants and agrees that if, within one (1) year after installation or 15 months from date of shipment, whichever occurs first, any part purchased from the Company should fail because of defective material or workmanship in its manufacture, and the Company is notified promptly, in writing, of the nature of the defect, the Company will, (if Buyer's account with the Company is then and remains current), during normal working hours, repair or replace such part, free of charge, provided the Buyer pays travel expenses to and from the nearest Fairbanks Scales Customer Support Center, or Fairbanks Authorized Distribution Center, or in case of a replacement, shipping expenses from its factory. (Travel charges and shipping expenses so incurred during the first 30 days following installation will be paid by the Company.) It is the Company's sole discretion whether to replace or repair the part covered under this warranty. The Company reserves the right to replace any defective part with a repaired part from its warranty stock. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, this warranty is voidable at the discretion of the Company if the product has been installed by anyone other than the Company or an authorized distributor of the Company or has been subjected to improper installation, misuse, negligent handling, alteration, accident, or improper repairs or modifications. Any warranties with respect to machinery, apparatus, accessories, articles, or materials not manufactured by the Company shall be limited to those of the respective manufacturer thereof, if any, which the Company may be permitted to pass on to the Buyer. Under this provision, the Company will be deemed to have manufactured only those articles bearing the Company's name-plate or trademark.
3. Unless and until all sums (however evidenced) payable in respect of the sale and delivery of the goods have been fully paid in money and satisfied:
 - (a) the goods shall remain strictly personal property, however affixed to realty, title thereof and ownership thereof shall remain in Company's name; and Buyer shall keep the property insured and free from liens or encumbrances, pay all taxes thereon, make good all loss, damage, or deterioration, and take all steps necessary to preserve the Company's title, including the execution and filing of all instruments necessary for such purpose.
 - (b) Company shall have, and in the event of default in the terms hereof, may exercise cumulatively and not in the alternative, all rights and remedies provided by the applicable laws of the jurisdiction, as if expressly herein so provided, and, insofar as permitted by such laws, may declare all sums payable hereunder immediately due and payable, may take possession of the property or any part thereof wherever found, and may sell the same at public or private sale on such terms as it may deem advisable, giving Buyer 10 days written notice of the time and place of the sale, at which Company may bid and become a Buyer, the proceeds of such sale shall be applied, in the order stated, to the costs and the expenses of search, seizure, removal, storage, advertisement, sale, collection and enforcement, to interest on the amount due and unpaid purchase price, and to any other sums owing to the Company by Buyer; any excess shall be remitted to Buyer and the Buyer shall forthwith pay any deficiency.
4. Except as otherwise expressly stated on the face of this acknowledgment: The goods shall be delivered F.O.B. cars, Company's factory; the prices charged shall be the Company's prices regularly established at time of shipment, all stated discounts shall apply to list prices; Buyer shall, in addition, pay all shipping and handling charges from factory, or their equivalent, and also taxes on the sale, delivery or use. Nevertheless, in all cases: Company reserves the right to elect terms of payment C.O.D., SDB/L, or Net 30 days after shipment and accounts past due shall bear interest at the highest lawful contract rate, and Buyer shall pay all costs and expenses, including attorney's fees, incurred in collecting the same.
5. The order is subject to cancellation by Buyer (a) only for standard products not the subject of the second sentence hereof, (b) only prior to shipment or commencement of any site work by or for the Company in connection therewith, and (c) then only on the payment to Company of 20% of the net price as agreed liquidated damages, which Buyer agrees to pay. Orders involving custom product or product to be manufactured or modified for a particular customer or its particular application are not subject to cancellation; any such attempted cancellation shall constitute a breach of contract, entitling the Company to all remedies available to it by law.
6. Shipment date and delays: At the time the order is placed, the Buyer will be notified of the shipping date of the scale. The Company will manufacture the scale in order to meet the shipping date. If the Buyer delays the shipment of the scale by more than five (5) days, within ten (10) working days, prior to the schedule shipping date, a twenty percent (20%) charge will be assessed to the Buyer. Should the Buyer request delays on orders quoted which involve subcontractors, increases in cost from subcontractors will be borne by the Buyer.
7. THE COMPANY'S WARRANTIES AS SET FORTH HEREIN ARE EXCLUSIVE AND ARE IN LIEU OF, AND BUYER HEREBY WAIVES, ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND/OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.
8. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL THE COMPANY HAVE ANY LIABILITY FOR LIQUIDATED DAMAGES OR FOR INCIDENTAL, COLLATERAL, CONSEQUENTIAL OR SPECIAL DAMAGES OR FOR THE LOSS OF PROFITS, OR FOR ACTUAL LOSSES OR FOR LOSS OF PRODUCTION OR PROGRESS OF CONSTRUCTION, WHETHER RESULTING FROM DELAYS IN DELIVERY OR PERFORMANCE, BREACH OF WARRANTY, CLAIMS OF INCORRECT WEIGHING, CLAIMS OF OR FOR NEGLIGENT MANUFACTURE, ACTS OF GOD, OR OTHERWISE. THE AGGREGATE TOTAL LIABILITY OF THE COMPANY UNDER THIS CONTRACT, WHETHER FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY OR OTHERWISE, SHALL IN NO EVENT EXCEED THE CONTRACT PRICE. BUYER AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE COMPANY FOR ALL CLAIMS BY THIRD PARTIES, WHETHER FOR BUSINESS LOSS, PERSONAL INJURY OR OTHERWISE, WHICH EXTEND BEYOND THE FOREGOING LIMITATIONS ON THE COMPANY'S LIABILITY.



FAIRBANKS SCALES GENERAL WARRANTY / LIMITATION OF LIABILITY UNITED STATES

General Product Warranty

Fairbanks Scales Inc. (the "Company") warrants and agrees that if, within two (2) years from date of shipment, any product purchased from the Company should fail because of defective material or workmanship in its manufacture, the Company will repair or replace such product, free of charge, provided the Buyer pays for any applicable customs duties and any other local expenses (such as taxes, clearance charges, etc) associated with the shipment of such part.

Intalogix Warranty

The Company warrants and agrees that if, within one (1) year from date of shipment, any product purchased from the Company which is equipped with Intalogix Technology (excluding driver assist terminals and peripheral devices, including, but not limited to, printers, remote displays etc.) should fail due to lightning, the Company will repair or replace such product, free of charge, provided the Buyer pays for any applicable customs duties and any other local expenses (such as taxes, clearance charges, etc) associated with the shipment of such part.

Further, the company warrants and agrees that if, within five (5) years after shipment, any truck scale or railroad track scale original load cell, instrument, pit power supply, or smart sectional controller purchased from the Company as part of an Intalogix system should fail due to defective material, manufacturing defects, or lightning, the Company will repair or replace such item, free of charge, provided that:

- (i) the scale is equipped with Intalogix Technology, and
- (ii) service is performed a minimum of twice per year by a service entity authorized by the Company pursuant to a Preventive Maintenance Agreement, and such Preventive Maintenance Agreement must remain in effect for the entire duration of the warranty period without any lapses.

Truck & Railroad Scale Weighbridge Warranty

The Company warrants and agrees that if, within five (5) years after shipment, any truck scale structural steel weigh bridge or any railroad track scale structural steel weigh bridge should fail because of defective material or workmanship in its manufacture, the Company will repair or replace such product, free of charge, provided that service is performed a minimum of twice per year by a service entity authorized by the Company pursuant to a Preventive Maintenance Agreement, and such Preventive Maintenance Agreement must remain in effect for the entire duration of the warranty period without any lapses.

Truck Scale Load Cell Model LCF-4020 Load Cell Warranty

The Company warrants and agrees that if, within twenty-five (25) years after the date of shipment, any truck scale original Model LCF-HR4020 load cell with a capacity of 66,000 lbs (30t) or 100,000 lbs (50T) purchased from the Company should fail because of defective material, workmanship, or lightning damage, the Company will repair or replace such item, free of charge, provided that:

- (i) the scale is equipped with Intalogix Technology, and
- (ii) service is, and has been continuously since the scale was installed, performed a minimum of twice per year by a service entity authorized by the Company pursuant to a Preventive Maintenance Agreement, and such Preventive Maintenance Agreement must remain in effect for the entire duration of the warranty period without any lapses.

General Terms

In the case of any warranty contained herein,

- (iii) the Buyer must promptly notify the Company in writing of the nature of the possible defect being claimed hereunder,
- (iv) the Buyer's account with the Company must be current at the time a claim for warranty hereunder is made, and must remain current thereafter,
- (v) all work by the Company will be performed during normal business hours,
- (vi) The Company, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to replace or repair the product covered under this warranty,
- (vii) The Company, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to replace any defective part with a repaired part from its warranty stock,
- (viii) Consumable parts (such as, but not limited to batteries, light bulbs, printer ribbons, etc) are not covered by the Company under this warranty.
- (ix) the Buyer shall pay for all labor required to perform this warranty, other than labor incurred within one (1) year after shipment, which will be paid by the Company,
- (x) the Buyer will pay truck and travel expense to and from the nearest Fairbanks Scales Customer Support Center, or Fairbanks Authorized Distribution Center, or in case of a replacement, shipping expenses from its factory, except that truck and travel charges and shipping expenses so incurred during the first 30 days following installation will be paid by the Company,
- (xi) the Buyer will be responsible for calibration fees except for calibration fees incurred within the first 30 days following installation will be paid by the company, and
- (xii) at the option of the Company, any parts claimed to be defective shall be returned to the Company for inspection, with all transportation, shipping tariff, and customs duty charges to be incurred by the Buyer.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, this warranty is voidable at the discretion of the Company if the product has been installed by anyone other than the Company or an authorized distributor of the Company or has been subjected to improper installation, misuse, negligent handling, alteration, accident, damage by fire, water or act of God, or improper repairs or modifications.

Any warranties with respect to machinery, apparatus, accessories, articles or materials not manufactured by the Company shall be limited to those of the respective manufacturer thereof, if any, which the Company may be permitted to pass on to the Buyer. Under this provision, the Company will be deemed to have manufactured only those articles bearing the Company's name-plate or trademark.

THE COMPANY'S WARRANTIES AS SET FORTH HEREIN ARE EXCLUSIVE AND ARE IN LIEU OF, AND BUYER HEREBY WAIVES, ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND/OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL THE COMPANY HAVE ANY LIABILITY FOR LIQUIDATED DAMAGES OR FOR INCIDENTAL, COLLATERAL, CONSEQUENTIAL OR SPECIAL DAMAGES OR FOR THE LOSS OF PROFITS, OR FOR ACTUAL LOSSES OR FOR LOSS OF PRODUCTION OR PROGRESS OF CONSTRUCTION, WHETHER RESULTING FROM DELAYS IN DELIVERY OR PERFORMANCE, BREACH OF WARRANTY, CLAIMS OF INCORRECT WEIGHING, CLAIMS OF OR FOR NEGLIGENT MANUFACTURE, ACTS OF GOD, OR OTHERWISE. THE AGGREGATE TOTAL LIABILITY OF THE COMPANY UNDER THIS CONTRACT, WHETHER FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY OR OTHERWISE, SHALL IN NO EVENT EXCEED THE CONTRACT PRICE. BUYER AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE COMPANY FOR ALL CLAIMS BY THIRD PARTIES, WHETHER FOR BUSINESS LOSS, PERSONAL INJURY OR OTHERWISE, WHICH EXTEND BEYOND THE FOREGOING LIMITATIONS ON THE COMPANY'S LIABILITY.

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1600 SERIES

REMOTE DISPLAYS

Fairbanks Scales high-intensity LED remote display is designed for high-readability in all lighting conditions with viewing up to 300 feet.

1600 SERIES REMOTE DISPLAYS

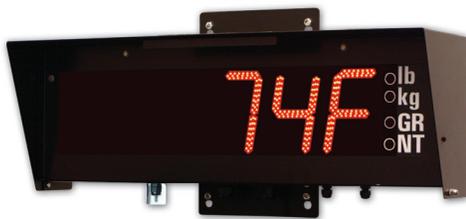
Weighing Solutions for the World Since 1830

Fairbanks.com

Fairbanks Scales' 1600 Series remote displays are made to perform in harsh, real-world weighing environments. From wet, dirty, dusty, hot or cold outdoor trucking conditions, to indoor washdown applications, you can expect reliable performance from the 1600 Series. These displays also feature a unique learning ability that makes them compatible with every known scale instrument that has continuous output.

1605 FEATURES:

- 5.0" display characters.
- NEMA 3 rated enclosure for outdoor use.



1601 FEATURES:

- 1.5" display characters.
- NEMA 4X rated enclosure for washdown.



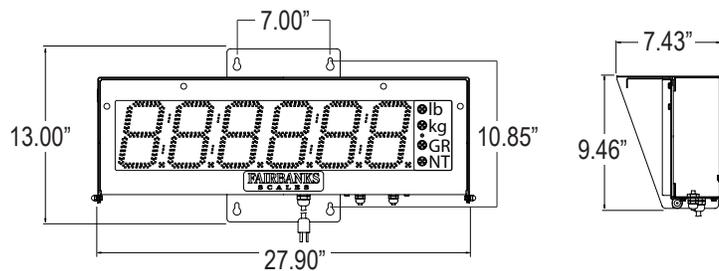
SHARED FEATURES:

- Bright red, high-intensity LED.
- Auto-intensity sensor that automatically adjusts display brightness for existing lighting conditions.
- Gross and Net legends (GR-NT).
- Lb and Kg legends.
- Standard interfaces include RS232, RS485 and 20mA (active or passive). Wireless RS232 accessory sold separately.
- Programmable learning interface.
- Time and date capability (standard).
- Optional temperature module.

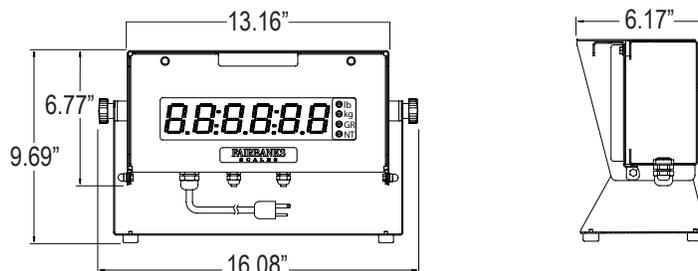
SPECIFICATIONS

Model Number	1605	1601
Display type	Six digit, high-intensity, red LED	Six digit, high-intensity, red LED
Digit height	5.0"	1.5"
Viewing distance	Up to 300 feet	Up to 75 feet
LED life expectancy	More than 11 years	More than 11 years
Time/date functions	Standard	Standard
Power	117 VAC ± 15%, 50/60 Hz, 100mA	117 VAC ± 15%, 50/60 Hz, 100mA
Storage temp.	0° F to 150° F (-18° C to 66° C)	0° F to 150° F (-18° C to 66° C)
Standard interfaces	RS232C, RS485 and 20mA	RS232C, RS485 and 20mA
Enclosure	NEMA 3 rated, black, powder coat	NEMA 4X rated, stainless steel
Mounting options	Pole or wall mount	Desk or wall mount
Humidity	0% to 95% non-condensing	0% to 95% non-condensing
Shipping Weight	35 lbs	35 lbs
Options/Accessories	Temperature module, Wireless RS232 interface, Pole and pole mounting bracket	Temperature module, Wireless RS232 interface

1605 Dimensions



1601 Dimensions



Your Fairbanks Scales Authorized Representative is:

Call toll-free for the representative nearest you:

(800) 451-4107

Call between 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Central Time

Corporate Headquarters: 6800 W. 64th Street, Overland Park, Kansas 66202

(816) 471-0231 Internet Address: <http://www.Fairbanks.com>





FB7100 TOUCH SCREEN INSTRUMENT

**Our most intuitive
Instrument ever for single
scale, truck or railcar
weighing!**



FB7100 Series NEMA 12 desktop enclosure

* SUPER COMPACT NEMA 12 DESKTOP ENCLOSURE

* STANDARD TOUCH SCREEN OPERATION

* INBOUND/OUTBOUND WEIGHING

* GROSS/TARE/NET WEIGHING

* SINGLE SETPOINT FILLING

* FAST, EASY CONFIGURATION
VIA INSTRUMENT DISPLAY
OR ANY WEB BROWSER

* STANDARD REMOTE
CALIBRATION VIA
ANY WEB BROWSER

* ANALOG OR
DIGITAL LOAD CELL
COMMUNICATION

* ECONOMICALLY PRICED

The FB7100 Series is available in a watertight desktop/wallmount NEMA 4X enclosure for washdown weighing applications.



FB7100 Instrumentation Advantages

It's Hands-on!

The FB7100 Series' lighting-fast operating system is Fairbanks' most intuitive to date and it's literally right at your fingertips through touch screen operation! Best of all, we designed our touch feature to accommodate "manly" hands. The result is large, graphic function keys that you can actually get your finger on. We give that a thumbs up.



Can go the distance!

Take your analog weighing system to the next level by opting for Fairbanks Scales' exclusive digital load cell communications technology, Intalogix®. What will Intalogix® do for you? Oh, just a few small things, like protect your outdoor scale from lightning strikes and power surges, and provide any operation with the most comprehensive load cell performance diagnostics and reporting features on the planet!



Intalogix® runs on proprietary analog-to-digital load cell signal conversion devices.

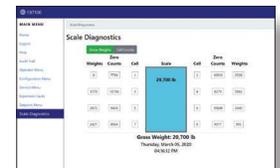
Has space-saving design!

The FB7100 NEMA 12 enclosure is our most compact instrument, ever. It consumes less space on your desktop than a typical coffee maker, even when you stack our popular 295 Ticket Printer on top. It's the ideal space saver!



Is easily controlled!

You don't need an engineering background to access your FB7100 Instrument. All that's required is a personal computer and a web browser. Whichever browser you typically use in your work environment will do. And voila, you'll have handy 24/7 access to your instrument's functions such as configuration, diagnostics and setpoint menu.





FB7100

TOUCH SCREEN INSTRUMENT

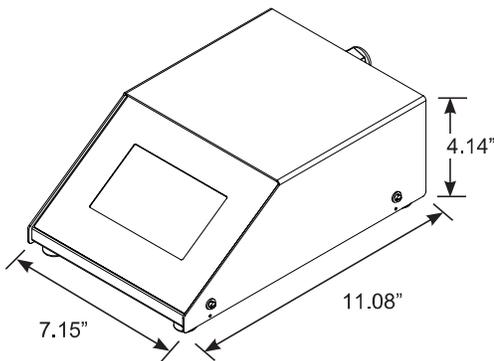


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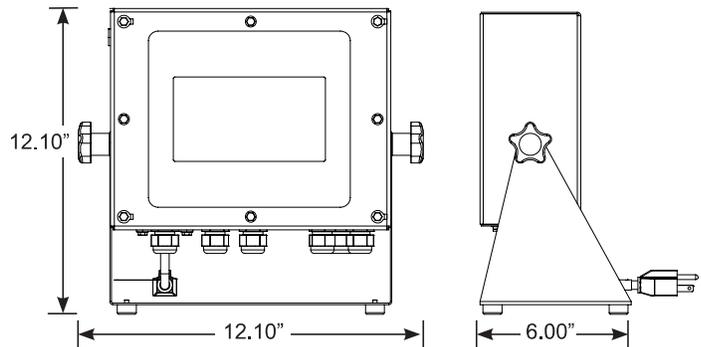
Enclosure	Stainless steel and aluminum desktop NEMA 12, Stainless steel desktop/wall mount NEMA 4X	Transaction records	10,000
Processor	900 MHz	Calibration & configuration	Parameters can be configured locally at the instrument or remotely using an ethernet connection and standard browser
Memory	512 MB RAM, 512 MB Flash	Humidity	0 to 90% NEMA 12, 0 to 100% NEMA 4X
Display	Full color graphic touch screen, 800 x 480 resolution, TFT LCD with LED backlight, 4.25" x 2.55", 5.0" diagonal (NEMA 12 enclosure) 6.04" x 3.40", 7.0" diagonal (NEMA 4X enclosure)	Accuracy	Class III/IIIL
Touch screen	Standard	Accessories	4-20 mA (Passive, 16 bit), 4-20 mA (Active, 16 bit), Serial expansion card with four additional outputs per card: One (1) RS232C One (1) RS232C/485 selectable One (1) RS232/20mA selectable One (1) RS485
Displayed characters	5/8" tall	Traffic light control card	
Outputs	One (1) RJ45 10/100 Base-T Ethernet port Two (2) RS232C ports Two (2) USB 2.0 ports One (1) dedicated optically isolated 20mA (active or passive)	PLC interfaces: DeviceNet Ethernet/IP Modbus TCP	
Power requirements	100 to 240 VAC @ 47-63 Hz	Peripheral devices: Ticket printer, tape printer, form printer remote displays, traffic light, control box, 105 key QWERTY keyboard, 87 key QWERTY keyboard	
Clock	Real time clock, Day of the week, 12-hour am/pm, Date (month/day/year)	Approvals	NTEP CC# 19-146, MC# AM-6141, ETL
Display resolution	10,000 divisions commercial 50,000 divisions non-commercial		
Capacity	Programmable to 999,999		
Division size	0.0001 to 100		
Displayed units	6 primary and 6 secondary		
Programmable prompts	One (1)		
Number of scales	One (1)		
Stored tares	1,000		

DIMENSIONS

Desktop NEMA 12 Enclosure



Desktop/Wall Mount NEMA 4X Enclosure



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TRIDENT TRUCK SCALE WITH TENSILECORE ENGINEERED CONCRETE

- 1-Day install
- No-risk
- Longer-lasting

In most cases, a concrete deck is the best solution for customer applications. Unfortunately, many customers are never presented with a concrete deck option. Field pour scales are problematic to some scale companies because they lose direct control over the quality of the concrete work. Furthermore, low-cost fabrication of the steel deck and the benefit of quick start-up times make the sales process a fast, low risk process to the seller — even when a concrete deck is a better solution for the buyer. As a result, some scale companies will use steel deck platforms as the “solution” for all applications. What happens is the customer purchases *the scale they were sold* instead of *the scale they need*.



SEEING IS BELIEVING

Think about this. When is the last time you saw a bridge deck or highway constructed with steel? Ever wonder why? Simply put, properly installed concrete has greater durability, lasts longer and is safer.

WHY OTHERS AVOID USING CONCRETE

The real key is proper construction. If the construction of the deck is not correct, the product will simply not hold up!

*Is the concrete a proper mix?
Is it properly poured and vibrated in place?
Is the deck finished with a proper crown to prevent water from “pooling?”*

All good questions. But, it is impossible for the scale manufacturer to control the quality of a concrete deck...isn't it? Absolutely not, there is a better solution.



TensileCore Engineered Concrete (right) boasts many advantages over field-poured competitors.

TENSILECORE CONCRETE ADVANTAGES

- 1-Day installation
- Controlled mix, finish and cure
- Low permeability
- Moisture failure resistant
- Guaranteed compressive strength
- High flexural strength

FAIRBANKS' TRIDENT IS THE LEADER IN QUALITY WEIGHBRIDGE CONCRETE

As it turns out, Fairbanks has a really simple solution for controlling the quality of a concrete deck...pour the deck at the factory! A factory poured concrete deck is manufactured under tight controls from the initial concrete mix, to the pouring process, right through the final curing.

This process yields the strongest, longest lasting and most consistent concrete platform available today. We call this product TensileCore Engineered Concrete. Each Trident scale platform consists of a concrete mix which includes microsilica fume to fill the tiny porous areas that allow water to penetrate typical concrete platforms. Each Trident deck also has thousands of TensileCore fibers added to the concrete mix. These TensileCore steel fibers provide additional tensile strength unobtainable in field pour mixes. We complete the process by using a controlled steam cure. The result is an ultimate 8,000 psi compressive strength deck that is traceable to ASTM testing.

TRIDENT: THE OBVIOUS CHOICE

Fairbanks' Trident is the perfect truck scale for applications requiring 1-day installation, no-risk concrete and longer-lasting, dependable weighing.



The controlled mix, placement, finish and cure of Fairbanks' precast TensileCore Engineered Concrete guarantees a truck scale superior to any poured in the field.



Fairbanks TensileCore concrete boasts the highest strength and durability in the scale industry. (Left) Test cylinders from each pour must meet stringent ASTM engineering standards.

Purchasing a Fairbanks Trident Truck Scale is really purchasing peace of mind. Our factory controlled environment and process guarantees consistency, Trident after Trident. That is something that is impossible to achieve in the field, and we back it up. Our consistency is tested with traceable results of the quality of the pour. Add to this incredible scale platform the benefits of Fairbanks Intalogix® Technology and you have a truck scale that simply cannot be beaten.



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**Purchase of Services Agreement
Between Ramsey County and
Ramsey/Washington Recycling and Energy
for Employee Benefits Services**

This is a Purchase of Services Agreement ("Agreement") between Ramsey County, a political subdivision of the State of Minnesota, on behalf of its Human Resources Department, 121 7th Place East, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55101, ("County"), and Ramsey/Washington Recycling and Energy, 100 Red Rock Road, Newport, MN 55055 ("R&E"), a Joint Powers Board created pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 471.59.

1. Term

The term of this Agreement shall be from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027. The Agreement may be renewed if agreed to in writing by both parties. Either party may cancel without cause upon giving at least 6 months written notice thereof to the other party. Further notice may be needed, connect to vendor contract term. By mutual written agreement, the parties may alter, modify or waive provisions of this Agreement.

2. Scope of Services

The County agrees that it will provide the following services:

2.1. Employee Benefits

County will provide R&E employees access to the same Employee Benefits offered to active County employees including Wellness programming and Employee Assistance unless a vendor contracted by the County will not allow R&E participation. The County shall make reasonable efforts to negotiate and maintain vendor arrangements that permit the participation of R&E employees in such benefit programs. Notwithstanding the provisions of Sections 1.0 and 11, R&E may immediately terminate this Agreement if, in its sole discretion, it determines that a vendor's refusal to allow R&E participation in a plan or program materially negates the purpose of this Agreement.

3. Administrative Fees. Compensation. Resources

3.1. Annual Fee.

R&E shall pay an annual fee of \$10,000 to the County for maintaining and procuring benefit contracts every 3-5 years including benefit consultant fees, maintaining an HRIS system for Benefits administration, implementing enrollment feeds with contracted vendors, administration of wellness programs and vendor relationships, resolution of issues, printing enrollment materials, conducting open enrollment sessions, and for the risk of including R&E claims in the County's underwriting pool.

If the County transitions to being self-insured for any employee benefit plan, there may be an additional requirement that R&E purchase a separate stop loss policy for any R&E claims that exceed the County's self-insured retention level. The County will communicate with R&E at least one year in advance of any anticipated consideration of a transition to self-insured health and wellness benefits.

4. General Contract/Agreement Terms and Conditions

4.1. Payment for Services.

R&E shall make payment within thirty-five (35) calendar days after the date of receipt of an invoice for the Annual Fee from the County.

4.2. Independent Contractor

The County is and shall remain an independent contractor throughout the term of this Agreement and nothing herein is intended to create, or shall be construed as creating, the relationship of partners between the parties or as constituting the County as an employee of R&E.

4.3. Data Practices

All data collected, created, received, maintained or disseminated for any purpose in the course of the County's performance under this Agreement is subject to the provisions of the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, Minn. Stat. Ch. 13, any other applicable state statutes, any state rules adopted to implement the Act and statutes, as well as federal statutes and regulations on data privacy.

4.4. Indemnification

R&E shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend the County, its officials, agents, and employees against any and all liability, losses, costs, damages, expenses, claims or actions, including reasonable attorney's fees, which the County, its officials, agents, or employees may hereafter sustain, incur or be required to pay, arising out of or by reason of any act or omission of R&E and their officials, agents or employees, in the execution, performance, or failure to adequately perform the obligations of R&E pursuant to this Agreement.

4.5. Indemnification

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The County shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend R&E , its officials, agents, and employees against any and all liability, losses, costs, damages, expenses, claims or actions, including reasonable attorney's fees, which R&E, its officials, agents, or employees may hereafter sustain, incur or be required to pay, arising out of or by reason of any act or omission of County and their officials, agents or employees, in the execution, performance, or failure to adequately perform the obligations of the County pursuant to this Agreement.

4.6. Records Retention

Until the expiration of six years after the furnishing of services pursuant to this Agreement, R&E and the County shall retain a copy of the Agreement, and the books, documents, records, and accounting procedures and practices relating to this Agreement.

4.7. Notices

All notices under this Agreement, and any amendments to this Agreement, shall be in writing and shall be deemed given when delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, when delivered via personal service or when received if sent by overnight courier. All notices shall be directed to the parties at the respective addresses set forth below. If the name and/or address of the representatives changes, notice of such change shall be given to the other party in accordance with the provisions of this section.

County:
Patience Ferguson
Chief Human Resources Officer
Ramsey County Human Resources Department
121 7th Place East
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55101

R&E Board:
Kelli Hall
Administration Director
Ramsey/Washington Recycling and Energy
100 Red Rock Road
Newport, MN 55055

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4.8. Non-Assignability

The parties to this Agreement shall have no right to assign any interest in this Agreement and shall not transfer any interest in this Agreement by subcontract or assignment without the prior written consent of all other parties to the Agreement.

4.9. Force Majeure

No party shall be liable for any loss or damage incurred by any other party as a result of events outside the control of such party ("Force Majeure Events") including, but not limited to: war, storms, flooding, fires, strikes, legal acts of public authorities, or acts of government in time of war or national emergency.

4.10. Termination

Either party may terminate this Agreement without cause upon giving at least six months written notice thereof to the other party. By mutual written agreement, the parties may alter, modify or waive provisions of this Agreement.

4.11. Interpretation of Agreement; Venue

The Agreement shall be interpreted and construed according to the laws of the State of Minnesota. All litigation regarding this Agreement shall be under venue in the District Court, Second Judicial District, State of Minnesota.

4.12. Severability

The provisions of this Agreement are severable. If any part of this Agreement is rendered void, invalid or unenforceable, such rendering shall not affect the validity and enforceability of the remainder of this Agreement.

4.13. Alteration

Any alteration, variation, modification, or waiver of the provisions of this Agreement shall be valid only after it has been reduced to writing and signed by all parties.

4.14. Limitation of Liability

The County is not responsible for providing services outside of the scope of the Agreement. The County is not liable for management decisions made by State, R&E , or any other organization, and is also not responsible for cash shortfalls, such as bills not paid or charges for payments made with insufficient funds, due to funding shortfalls of State, R&E, or any other organization.

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4.15. Entire Agreement

This written Agreement, including all attachments, represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations or contracts, either written or oral. No subsequent agreement between the County and Ramsey/Washington Recycling and Energy to waive or alter any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in the form of a written Amendment to this Agreement signed by authorized representatives of the parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this Agreement as of the dates below.

RAMSEY COUNTY

RAMSEY/WASHINGTON RECYCLING & ENERGY:

By: _____
Raphael Ortega, Chair
Ramsey County Board of Commissioners
Date: _____

By: _____
Trista L. Martinson, Executive Director
Date: _____

By: _____
Jason Yang, Chief Clerk
Date: _____

Approved as to Form:
By: _____
Elizabeth Brady, Assistant County Attorney
Date: _____

Approved as to Form:
By: _____
County Attorney
Date: _____

Approval Recommended:
By: _____
Alexandra Kotze, Deputy County Manager
Date: _____

By: _____
Patience Ferguson, Chief Human Resources Officer
Date: _____



**RAMSEY/WASHINGTON
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2026 Compensation Plan

**This document contains an established Salary Plan for
Ramsey/Washington Recycling & Energy Board**

Annual salary advancement is based on a satisfactory performance evaluation.

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Strategic Partnerships Manager

Annual Salary

Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6	Step 7	Step 8
\$108,856.50	\$111,577.90	\$114,925.20	\$118,373.00	\$121,924.20	\$124,972.30	\$128,721.40	\$132,649.00
Step 9	Step 10	Step 11	Step 12	Step 13	Step 14	Step 15	
\$136,560.60	\$140,657.50	\$144,877.10	\$149,223.50	\$153,700.10	\$158,311.10	\$163,060.50	



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R&E BOARD MEETING DATE:	February 26, 2026			AGENDA ITEM:	VI.a			
SUBJECT:	Food Scraps Pickup Program Timeline							
TYPE OF ITEM:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	INFORMATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	POLICY DISCUSSION	<input type="checkbox"/>	ACTION	<input type="checkbox"/>	CONSENT
SUBMITTED BY:	Trista Martinson, R&E Executive Director							

R&E BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

For Information only.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Staff will provide information on the Food Scraps Pickup Program, including a brief recap of 2025 accomplishments and a review of the rollout plan and timeline for 2026.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN:

Strategic Goal 2B – Effective organics programming (prevention, recovery, recycling) that meets the needs of community and minimizes landfilled food

ATTACHMENTS:

None.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES	DATE
R&E EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 	2/18/26



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R&E BOARD MEETING DATE:	February 26, 2026			AGENDA ITEM:	VI.b			
SUBJECT:	Recognition of Dave Benke							
TYPE OF ITEM:	<input type="checkbox"/>	INFORMATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	POLICY DISCUSSION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ACTION	<input type="checkbox"/>	CONSENT
SUBMITTED BY:	Trista Martinson, R&E Executive Director							

R&E BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve resolution to express the Ramsey/Washington Recycling & Energy (R&E) Board’s profound gratitude to Dave Benke for his extraordinary public service and commitment to supporting R&E and its mission and goals.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Recognition of Dave Benke for his longstanding support of the R&E Board.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Draft Resolution (R&EB-2026-04)

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES	DATE
R&E EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 	2/18/26
WASHINGTON COUNTY ATTORNEY 	2/18/26



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**RESOLUTION R&EB-2026-04
Recognition of Dave Benke**

WHEREAS, The Ramsey/Washington Recycling & Energy Board (R&E Board) is governed by the Amended and Restated Joint Powers Agreement by and between Ramsey County and Washington County dated November 12, 2024 (Joint Powers Agreement); and

WHEREAS, Ramsey and Washington Counties have committed to continue to protect and ensure the public health, safety, welfare and environment of each County's residents and businesses through sound management of solid and hazardous waste generated in each County; and

WHEREAS, The R&E Board provides solid waste services to all residents, businesses and institutions in the Counties; and focuses on the resource value of trash and opportunities presented by increased source separation of recyclables and the addition of new technology to recover value out of trash in the East Metro, while diverting as much as possible from landfills and meeting and exceeding the state's recycling goals; and

WHEREAS, Dave Benke represented the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) at county, state and regional solid waste and environmental committees and boards and was instrumental in helping the Counties make a smooth transition between the Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board to the reorganized R&E Board between Ramsey and Washington Counties and the new Partnership on Waste and Energy with Ramsey, Washington and Hennepin Counties, and

WHEREAS, Dave Benke provided guidance in navigating the MPCA and Environmental Protection Agency rules as Ramsey and Washington Counties purchased the refuse-derived fuel facility in Newport, worked through designation of waste to the facility, made much needed facility upgrades and forged ahead with a robust organics program, increased recycling, implementation of waste reuse and reduction campaigns and embraced new anaerobic, composting and sorting technologies. NOW,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The R&E Board formally acknowledges and deeply appreciates Dave Benke's guidance to R&E in their mission to enhance public health and environmental stewardship through innovative waste-to-value initiatives and partnerships. The R&E Board expressly thanks Dave Benke for his ten years of service as an active board member.

Mary Jo McGuire, Board Chair
February 26, 2026

Fran Miron, Board Vice Chair
February 26, 2026

February 26, 2026



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R&E BOARD MEETING DATE:	February 26, 2026			AGENDA ITEM:	VIII.			
SUBJECT:	Updates and Reports							
TYPE OF ITEM:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	INFORMATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	POLICY DISCUSSION	<input type="checkbox"/>	ACTION	<input type="checkbox"/>	CONSENT
SUBMITTED BY:	Trista Martinson, R&E Executive Director							

R&E BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

For information only.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

- a. **Commissioner Updates**
R&E Board members will provide updates on waste-related ad hoc committees.
- b. **Executive Director Update**
The R&E Executive Director will provide a report to the board.
- c. **Strategic Partnerships Update**
Staff will provide a report to the board.
- d. **Programs Update**
Staff will provide updates on programmatic efforts.
- e. **Facility Update**
Staff will provide updates on R&E Center projects and operations.
- f. **Procurement Report**
Staff will provide a written report of new contracts and amendments executed under the authority of R&E’s procurement guidelines during the period of January 1-31, 2026. Funding for the contracts is available in the approved Joint Activities, Facility and Equipment Maintenance & Replacement (EM&R) budgets, following approval as to form by the Ramsey County or Washington County attorney’s office.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN:

- a. **Strategic Goal 1A:** Public awareness & trust through brand management, transparency and engagement.
- b. **Strategic Goal 1B:** R&E led regional coordination on policy and plans for greater regional impact.
- c. **Strategic Initiative 4Ai:** Implement and sustain a streamlined and consistent portfolio of upstream programs (waste reduction, reuse, recycling), informed by data and community engagement.
- d. **Strategic Initiative 3Aii:** Continue to operate an industry-leading waste processing facility and innovate for increased landfill diversion.
- e. **Strategic Goal 4C:** Robust obligation tracking and reporting.

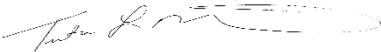
SUBJECT: *Updates and Reports*

ATTACHMENTS:

1. R&E Center Tours Report
2. Procurement Report

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES	DATE
R&E EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 	2/18/26



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R&E Center Tours

Completed between Jan 22, 2026 – Feb 25, 2026

Group	Group Type	Date	# of visitors
EcoMaine	Business	1/27/2026	3
Scouts	Educational	2/3/2026	20
Bridge View School #1	Educational	2/11/2026	15
Humphrey School Enviro Policy Club	Community	2/17/2026	15
Girl Scouts	Educational	2/17/2026	16
Bridge View School #2	Educational	2/18/2026	15
Washington County Food Access Network	Governmental	2/24/2026	15
Bridge View School #3	Educational	2/25/2026	15

Total Number of Tours Completed: 8

Total Number of Tour Attendees: 114



Report of all professional service and supplies, equipment, material and labor (SEML) contracts, amendments and solicitations issued and executed under authority of Ramsey/Washington Recycling & Energy’s procurement guidelines (Resolution R&EB 2025-01) between January 1, 2026 – January 31, 2026.

Vendor	Effective Date	Description	NTE/Budgeted Amount	Procurement Type
Vic’s Crane & Heavy Haul, Inc.	3/1/26	Facility – Crane rental and heavy haul equipment and services	Rate Setting	SEML
Augie’s Trucking	1/1/26	Facility – Waste transportation services	Rate Setting	Transportation
Husch Blackwell, LLP.	1/1/26	Programs – Specialty legal services	Rate Setting	Professional Services
Samsara, Inc.	1/30/26	Facility – Trailer GPS tracking	\$25,000	Professional Services
Oil Air Products, LLC.	1/1/26	Facility – Hydraulic equipment, parts and maintenance	Rate Setting	SEML
KT Products, LLC d/b/a MA Associates	2/1/26	Facility – Cleaning supplies	Rate Setting	SEML
St. Paul Area Chamber of Commerce	1/1/26	Programs – BizRecycling partner services	\$60,000	Professional Services
Regents of the University of Minnesota, MnTAP Program	12/1/25	Programs – BizRecycling technical assistance	\$100,000	Professional Services
Metropolitan Gravel Co	1/1/26	Facility – Waste transportation services	Rate Setting	Transportation
SKB Environmental, Inc.	1/1/26	Facility – Transload facility	Rate Setting	Transload Services
Toltz King Duvall Anderson & Associates Inc	2/1/26	Facility – Control systems maintenance & engineering	Rate Setting	Professional Services
Twin Cities North Chamber of Commerce	1/1/26	Programs – BizRecycling partner	\$24,625	Professional Services
Woodbury Area Chamber of Commerce	1/1/26	Programs – BizRecycling partner	\$25,000	Professional Services

SUBJECT: Procurement Report

White Bear Area Chamber of Commerce	1/1/26	Programs – BizRecycling partner	\$25,000	Professional Services
Greater Stillwater Chamber of Commerce	1/1/26	Programs – BizRecycling partner	\$25,000	Professional Services
Sustainable Stillwater MN	1/1/26	Programs – BizRecycling partner	\$25,000	Professional Services
MN Hmong Chamber of Commerce	1/1/26	Programs – BizRecycling partner	\$25,000	Professional Services
East Side Neighborhood Development Company, Inc	1/1/26	Programs – BizRecycling partner	\$25,000	Professional Services
African Economic Development Solutions	1/1/26	Programs – BizRecycling partner	\$5,000	Professional Services

The procurement team also processed one grant for multi-unit recycling programs in the amount of \$4,750. This grant was distributed throughout Ramsey and Washington Counties to assist in waste reduction and recycling efforts. Grant funds helped each recipient by providing materials and infrastructure needed to better support waste reduction and recycling efforts, as well as expand waste reduction and recycling education for their residents, employees and visitors.