DAMA Policy for Long Term Vacancy Request

Vacancy Credit – Long Term

A Long Term Vacancy Credit will only be allowed for solid waste customers when they are the owners or legal custodians of the property, and the property is designated for single family, residential occupancy. A sworn affidavit, on a form provided by the Authority, must be submitted annually by the customer to the DAMA Business Office stating that the property is unoccupied and no trash or recycling is being generated or placed curbside for collection. A Long Term Vacancy Credit will only be authorized when the home is unoccupied due to long-term medical issues, legal or judicial proceedings, or the home is condemned or otherwise uninhabitable. The Long Term Vacancy Credit is valid for a period not to exceed one year, and must be renewed by January 3rd of each subsequent year in which the property owner or legal custodian is requesting the credit. DAMA must be notified immediately by the property owner or legal custodian when the property is no longer vacant. Failure to provide notification to DAMA within 10 days of occupation of the property will result in back-billing the account at the current rate for solid waste services, to include all penalty and interest, for a period not to exceed 3 years.

This Policy will be strictly enforced according to its terms. Any exception to this policy must be made by written application submitted to the DAMA Board of Directors showing cause why such requested exception is in the public's best interests. The decision of the DAMA Board of Directors on the application will be final as to the reason for the requested exception stated in the application.

Reviewed and approved by the DAMA Board of Directors on MAY, 8, 2014

Craig Tupper, Chairman ___

Timothy Carroll, Secretary _