# FACT SHEET NO. 2 Proposed North Shore Converted Marine Transfer Station

In October 2004, the Department of Sanitation (DSNY) issued a Draft Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan (New SWMP). The New SWMP describes how all the waste generated in the City will be managed over the next twenty years. The New SWMP continues existing programs, but also proposes to end the use of long-haul trucks to transport DSNY-managed waste and rely mostly on barge/rail export of waste. Key elements of the proposed New SWMP are to:

- Enter into a twenty-year contract for recyclables processing and marketing and for a new processing facility at the South Brooklyn Marine Terminal.
- Build four new Marine Transfer Stations (MTSs) at existing MTS sites: the East 91st Street, North Shore, Hamilton Avenue, and Southwest Brooklyn Converted MTSs.
- Use private transfer stations (TSs) for barge/rail export of containerized waste from the Bronx, Brooklyn, and Queens communities previously served by the South Bronx and Greenpoint MTSs.
- Complete the Staten Island TS and begin export of Staten Island waste by rail.
- Enter into a long-term agreement for the disposal of a portion of Manhattan waste at the Essex County Resource Recovery Facility (RRF) in New Jersey.
- Offer the West 59th Street MTS (Manhattan) for commercial waste export and accept some commercial waste at the new Converted MTSs.

The North Shore Converted MTS is proposed in the New SWMP to be a City-owned facility, built on the site of the demolished existing MTS in Queens Community District (CD) 7. The Converted MTS would accept the residential waste generated in Queens CDs 7 through 14, as in the past, containerize it, and send it out by barge. Commercial waste accepted would also be exported in containers by barge.

### PROPOSED NORTH SHORE CONVERTED MTS

## **Notable Features**

- Expected average daily throughput is approximately 2,200 tons per day (tpd) of DSNY-managed waste and, potentially, 1,000 tpd of commercial waste (putrescible only) delivered between 8:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m.
- · Odor and environmental control systems.
- No off-site truck queuing.
- Waste containerization.

#### Land Side View



# PROPOSED ACTION/IMPACTS & MITIGATION

Results of the environmental review completed for the proposed use of the North Shore Converted MTS have shown that no significant adverse traffic, air quality, odor or other impacts are expected with traffic signal changes in place. Noise impact mitigation will be required for commercial waste trucks traveling to the facility between 1:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m. A detailed description of the results and the methods used to arrive at these conclusions can be found in the Draft EIS.

## **Proposed Queens Long-term Export Facilities and Wastesheds**

