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Waste Management and NYC Sanitation Open New Waste Transfer Station in Queens

New Facility Will Help Reduce Traffic and Vehicle Emissions on Local Streets and Highways

WHAT:

A ribbon cutting ceremony will open the new Waste Management transfer station in Queens.

The new facility will help the City achieve its long-term sustainability goals by shifting the export of Western Queens' residential waste from long-haul diesel tractor trailer trucks to rail, reducing traffic and vehicle emissions on local streets and highways.

The transfer station is owned and operated by Waste Management, and accepts refuse from the New York City Department of Sanitation.

WHO:

Kathryn Garcia, Sanitation Commissioner Tara Hemmer, Vice President of the Greater Mid Atlantic Market Area, Waste Management

WHEN:

Thursday, October 8, Noon

WHERE:

Waste Management of New York, Review Avenue Transfer Station 38-22 Review Avenue Long Island City, N.Y. 11101

About the New York City Department of Sanitation

The Department of Sanitation (DSNY) promotes a healthy environment through the efficient management of solid waste and the development of environmentally sound long-range planning for handling refuse, including recyclables. The Department operates 59 district garages and manages a fleet of 2,022 rear-loading collection trucks, 450 mechanical brooms and 365 salt/sand spreaders. The Department clears litter, snow and ice from approximately 6,000 miles of City streets and removes debris from vacant lots as well as abandoned vehicles from City streets.