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COVID-19 Update – Kimble Companies Level One Response Plan *Township Residents Asked to Implement Changes Effective April 13, 2020*

Twinsburg Township, Summit County, Ohio – April 8, 2020 – The Board of Twinsburg Township Trustees has for many years been uniquely privileged to provide solid waste disposal and recycling collection services to residents, with services paid for from General Fund resources supplemented by the Township's portion of Joint Economic Development District (JEDD) revenues. The Township's current service contract is with Kimble Companies and was executed in 2016 and extends through the end of 2021. The Township separately receives revenues from Kimble via a host agreement, executed in 2009 and applicable to Kimble's transfer station located at 8500 Chamberlin Road in the Township.

In light of COVID-19, waste haulers are experiencing new challenges such as increased collection volumes, staffing shortages, and/or discontinued operation of recycling material sorting facilities. While many haulers have already instituted limitations including but not limited to suspending recycling collection and reducing collection frequency, Kimble Companies has for the past month managed to maintain the same level and type of service to Township residents without interruption.

Late last week, Kimble Companies sent the Township a copy of a letter asking residents to help by implementing changes beginning on Monday April 13. This will apply to collection in Twinsburg Township beginning on Tuesday April 14 and weekly thereafter until further notice. Changes include volume limitations (keep all material inside carts), recycling material limitations (fewer acceptable items), suspension of large item collection, and suspension of yard waste collection (unless inside carts).

As part of ongoing efforts being made by all to comply with all public health orders and recommendations, the Board of Trustees thanks residents in advance for their additional efforts to comply with Kimble's requests as a way not only to maintain the current level and type of service, but also to help

The Board of Trustees continuously monitors information provided by County and State officials and urges all to follow all public health orders and recommendations. Current information and updates on COVID-19 can be obtained from Summit County Public Health (www.scph.org), the Ohio Governor's Office (www.governor.ohio.gov), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (www.cds.gov).

keep Kimble staff – both in the field and at Kimble transfer and recycling facilities – safe and well.

About Twinsburg Township

Twinsburg Township was founded in 1817, had a population of 2,828 in 2010. Twinsburg Township is home to an unparalleled combination of rich history, abundant natural resources, outstanding parks, well-planned neighborhoods, thriving businesses, and top-notch institutions. Whether you're looking for a great place to live or do business, or just a spot to spend a quiet afternoon, you'll find it all right here in Twinsburg Township. So stop by and see us sometime, and if you can't make it in person, please check out www.twinsburgtwp.com to get a glimpse of all that Twinsburg Township has to offer. For more information, contact Robert S. Kagler, Township Manager, via telephone at (330) 425-4497 or via e-mail at rkagler@twinsburgtwp.com.

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COVID- 19 Response Plan

LEVEL ONE



April 3, 2020

Dear Residents:

Kimble Recycling & Disposal, Inc. remains committed to the safe & sanitary condition of your community and the safety and health of our employees.

Because of the COVID-19-related governmental declarations of emergency and regulations, and due to the stay at home order and potential COVID-19 related labor shortages, we must adjust routes & schedules to collect the large increase in residential waste volumes. We are taking precautionary steps and asking our customers to make the necessary changes, to allow us to focus on the essential business of solid waste collections. We are asking for the cooperation of our customers to minimize the disruptions to essential services.

Effective, Monday April 13, 2020 to protect our workers and avoid service disruptions, we are asking for your help by implementing the following changes.

<u>Solid Waste</u>: Please fit all materials into the Kimble provided waste cart leaving no materials on the ground to be loaded by hand. Collection will occur as usual. For customers whose service does not include a waste cart; please limit your trash to a maximum of three 30-gallon sealed bags.

<u>Recycling</u> (where applicable): Please fit all recycle items in the Kimble provided recycle cart, leaving no materials on the ground to be collected by hand. Include only clean paper, cardboard, metal cans and #1 and #2 plastic containers and jugs. (See website at www.kimblecompanies.com for acceptable recyclable items.) Collection will occur as usual.

<u>Bulk items</u>: Please temporarily hold bulk items that require hand loading, such as sofas, mattresses, appliances, toilets and other bulky items. Items that can be broken or disassembled and placed in the Kimble waste cart, will be collected.

<u>Yard Waste</u>: As a non-essential waste stream, we ask that you suspend placing yard waste at the curb in excess of what fits in the Kimble waste cart or as part of your three 30-gallon solid waste sealed bags, for those customers without waste carts. Please consider options such as, composting, taking the materials to a community collection point, or holding until a later time.

We are continually monitoring the COVID-19 situation and developing plans that can be implemented to continue to respond to this public health emergency. These measures will be implemented as needed to protect the health and safety of our employees, customers and communities we serve.

We thank you for your cooperation and patience as we work through these difficult times together.

Sincerely,

Keith B. Kimble, President

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