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BIZSMART@WORK 2013 AWARDS NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN
Award Program Recognizes RethinkWaste Businesses and Multi-Family Dwelling for Their Recycling and Composting Efforts

SAN CARLOS, CA – May 14, 2013 – RethinkWaste, in collaboration with Recology San Mateo County, is now accepting nominations for the second annual BizSMART@Work Awards. The annual awards program recognize businesses and multi-family dwellings in the RethinkWaste service area that are leading the way to reduce waste and conserve resources through the BizSMART Recycle, Compost and Garbage collection services. The awards will recognize businesses and complexes for their efforts to reduce their waste in 2012. Nominations will be accepted through May 22, 2013.

“This is a great way for businesses to get community-wide recognition for their day-to-day environmental efforts,” remarked Kevin McCarthy, Executive Director of RethinkWaste.

The awards will recognize businesses and multi-family dwellings separately in each of the following categories: Recycle, Compost, and a combined Recycle and Compost one. Multi-family dwellings include apartments, townhomes and condominiums. The public will also have a chance to vote for their favorite nominee through the “Rethinkers’ Choice” award category, which will be selected from the nominees for the Recycle and Compost category.

“We are excited to be a part of an awards program that recognizes businesses and complexes for their recycling and composting efforts, and commitment to helping make our community a better place to live and work,” said Tammy Del Bene, Recology Recycling Manager.

Nominations must be received by 5 pm on May 22, 2013 and consist of a simple application that details the efforts outlining significant accomplishments for 2012, and the environmental benefits of those efforts. Winners will be selected by June 7, 2013 with a recognition event planned for late June 2013. All businesses and complexes that have either recycling or compost collection services provided by Recology San Mateo County are encouraged to apply.

Businesses and complexes can apply by liking RethinkWaste’s Facebook page and clicking on the “BizSMART@Work” contest tab, or through the RethinkWaste website. Visit

RethinkWaste
Rethink Waste is a joint powers authority of twelve public Agencies (Atherton, Belmont, Burlingame, East Palo Alto, Foster City, Hillsborough, Menlo Park, Redwood City, San Carlos, San Mateo, the County of San Mateo and the West Bay Sanitary District) in San Mateo County, California and is a leader in the delivery of innovative waste reduction and recycling programs. RethinkWaste owns and manages the Shoreway Environmental Center which receives all the recyclables, organic materials, and materials (i.e. solid waste) collected in its service area. RethinkWaste also provides strategic oversight, support and management of service providers that collect, process, recycle and dispose of materials for its Member Agencies. RethinkWaste (i.e., South Bayside Waste Management Authority) was formed in 1982. For more information on RethinkWaste, please visit our website at www.RethinkWaste.org or follow us at www.Facebook.com/rethinkwaste or www.Twitter.com/rethinkwaste.

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