



## Saint Paul Curbside Composting On Hold

*Eureka Recycling and City of Saint Paul release statement about delayed curbside composting program.*

SAINT PAUL, Wednesday, August 27, 2008 – The City of Saint Paul and Eureka Recycling announced today that the curbside composting program for the City of Saint Paul will be delayed. Further discussions will continue in the coming months regarding details of the contract. Both parties remain fully committed to bringing a curbside composting program to Saint Paul as soon as possible.

“The modest delay is unfortunate” said Saint Paul Mayor Chris Coleman, “but it will allow us the time to bring forward a curbside composting program that will improve our environment and provide a great service to Saint Paul residents for years to come.”

“The City of Saint Paul and Eureka Recycling are 100% committed to compost collection for the entire city” adds Ward 4 City Councilmember Russ Stark, “and we’re all anxious to get it up and running – we just have a few more details to iron out in the process.”

Susan Hubbard, Eureka Recycling CEO, states that “the City is understandably taking another look at various policies with regard to City contracts. We cannot determine the cost impacts and other project implications for citywide curbside composting until the city sets its policy. In the meantime, other costs for the project have increased but we are committed to making this program work.”

Eureka Recycling, a nonprofit mission-driven organization, has been the City of Saint Paul’s recycling partner for over twenty years, and in the past few years has upgraded recycling services to increase Saint Paul’s recycling rate through curbside plastic bottle collection, weekly service, two-stream recycling, and the addition of milk cartons and juice boxes.

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