

RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE, RECYCLING, COMPOSTING COLLECTION FRANCHISESIF YOU WISH TO SPEAK TO CITY COUNCIL, **PRINT** YOUR NAME, ADDRESS, AND EMAIL.

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Testimony to Portland City Council
Review and Renewal of Franchise System
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Good afternoon Mayor Adams and Council Members. My name is Dave White. I am regional representative for the Oregon Refuse and Recycling Association. In that position, I represent the Tri-County Council which is the local industry association that includes the city's franchised collection companies and I am speaking today on their behalf.

In July you approved a resolution that directed BPS staff to begin the franchise review process. At that time I testified that the Portland residential haulers looked forward to working on the review process with city staff and PURB. We have since had the opportunity to meet with city staff to discuss proposed changes to the franchise and we provided input to PURB.

We support the changes to the franchise that have been proposed by BPS and that ~~include~~ ^{included} are in the ordinance that is before you today.

We believe that the partnership between the city and its franchised haulers, that is established through this franchise, is a cost-effective and efficient system for providing solid waste, recycling and composting collection services to the city's residents. We are proud that our efforts have helped the city implement the Portland Recycles! Plan and make progress toward its waste recovery and sustainability goals.

We ask that you accept the BPS recommendation to continue the residential franchise system and that you approve the new franchise ordinance.

Thank you and I am happy to answer any questions.