EPA Food Recovery Challenge Endorser Agreement

The U.S. EPA (EPA) Food Recovery Challenge (FRC) encourages organizations to reduce waste and conserve resources, as well as promote more sustainable materials management practices. FRC partners (endorsers and participants) benefit from reduced resource use and waste generation by saving money and being recognized as environmental stewards. FRC endorsers commit to recruiting organizations in their communities to participate in the FRC, promote the FRC through education and outreach activities, and connect organizations to local representatives and useful resources.

With this agreement, my organization joins the U.S. EPA Food Recovery Challenge as an endorser and agrees to:

- Establish year one goals for endorser activities within 90 days of registering. Goals should be as quantitative as possible (e.g., conduct six workshops for potential FRC participants; distribute FRC information to 200 organizations, etc.).
- After year one, submit annual goals each year for endorser activities. Goals should be as quantitative as possible and show continued improvement over previous years. (e.g., conduct eight workshops for potential FRC participants).
- Submit annual report data and new annual goals by the designated deadline each year.

EPA commits to provide:

- public recognition of FRC partners on the EPA Food Recovery Challenge website;
- partner support and technical assistance;
- an online reporting and data management system; and
- the opportunity to compete for recognition from EPA.

General Terms:

- Either party can terminate this agreement at any time without prior notification and with no further obligation. EPA will not comment publicly regarding the withdrawal of FRC partners.
- The FRC partner agrees that the activities it undertakes connected with this voluntary agreement are not intended to provide services to the federal government, and the FRC partner will not seek compensation from a federal agency.
- The FRC partner agrees that it will not claim or imply that its participation constitutes the EPA approval or endorsement of anything other than its participation in the Food Recovery Challenge and

will not make statements or imply that EPA endorses the partner or the purchase or sale of the partners' products and services or the views of the partner's organization.

- EPA will consult with FRC partners prior to publishing information about the FRC partner's individual accomplishments.
- FRC partners should not submit data considered to be confidential.
- EPA may periodically revise eligibility requirements.