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February 19, 2009

Dear Residents of Granville Township.

We are pleased to announce that at our February 11, 2009 meeting we voted to accept the bid from Big O and award them the exclusive franchise to collect residential solid waste, recyclables, and yard waste from the unincorporated areas of the Township. Big O is a local company with offices in Granville and Newark, and they have demonstrated to our satisfaction the ability to meet or exceed the specifications we set forth in the bid.

What does this mean to you? On average, residents should see a 25%-30% savings over the three year term of the agreement. Also, the agreement calls for a fixed monthly rate that cannot be raised for the three year term of the contract (no fuel surcharges).

Allowing only one company to supply these services in the unincorporated area of the Township will have a number of other important advantages that are all outlined on the attached information sheet. In addition, the proposal specifications upon which the agreement is based are available for viewing on the Township's website at WWW.GranvilleTownship.org.

What do you have to do? First, you will need to cancel services with you current collection company to be effective the end of work March 31, 2009. Your current service provider has been notified by the Trustees that according to Ohio Revised Code, Section 505.27, they will not be allowed to offer services within the Township after that date, so you should not have any problems when you call to cancel. Next, you will need to register with Big O. In the next several days you will receive a package from Big O that includes programs offered, prices, and several mechanisms you can use to start your service with Big O. **There is no startup fee.** If you are already a Big O customer, and one-third of you currently use their service, you will still need to register to receive the additional benefits of this new program. We cannot stress the importance of registering in time to receive any equipment you may need, such as carts or recycle bins, and to make sure your residence is properly routed so as not to cause a lapse in collection services.

This matter was researched and given careful consideration by the Trustees. Public meetings were held, surveys were taken and other townships that currently utilize single contract service were consulted. We are convinced this change is in the best interest of

the residents of Granville Township, and thank you for your input and participation in helping us do the right thing.

In the event you received this letter and live in another township or in the Village of Granville, please disregard this announcement and we apologize for any inconvenience it may have caused.

Your Granville Township Trustees

Fred Abraham

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