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Residents, Watch Your Mailboxes for the 2008 Recycling Guide

Erie, Pa. (December 21, 2007) – City of Erie Residents, check you mailboxes...the 2008 Recycling Guide is on the way! In October, City of Erie Mayor, Joseph E. Sinnott, announced new and exciting changes to Erie's residential recycling program that will go into effect, January 1, 2008. This new program allows for **all** recyclable materials to be placed curbside every week in blue or clear plastic bags.

The program will accept aluminum, iron, steel, and/or tin metal cans; clear, green, and brown glass; newspapers; magazines; all writing paper, junk mail, and office paper; cardboard; paper board, such as cereal, food and tissue boxes. In addition, the program will be expanded to accept all plastic containers with recycling numbers 1-7. Not accepted are waxed cartons, such as milk or juice cartons; waxed paper; pizza boxes; detergent boxes; and aerosol cans.

“We continue to anticipate a significant increase in the number of households participating, as the program is even easier than ever. As participation increases, savings will also increase, as more materials are recycled avoiding higher landfill fees. These will be savings that we can pass on to our residents,” concluded Sinnott.

“The City of Erie's single stream recycling guide combines educational messages with compliance measures and enforcement of the recycling ordinance. Our approach to increasing recycling is results oriented and action driven. It empowers the community to be a part of the process and to share in the success. This program is truly a win-win: a win for the community and a win for the environment,” said Sinnott.

Click here for a link to the City of Erie 2008 Single Stream Recycling Guide.

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