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**BLUFFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT PARTNERS WITH WASTE MANAGEMENT TO LAUNCH NEW  
WASTE WATCH PROGRAM**

*Community Watch Program Uses Trained Waste Collectors to Keep Communities Safe*

**Bluffton, S.C. (April 23, 2010)**-The Bluffton Police Department will now have a helping hand in protecting the local community, following the launch of Waste Management's community safety program, *Waste Watch*, in the Town of Bluffton. Through this program, Waste Management drivers will act as extra sets of eyes and ears for police, fire department and emergency services, and will report any suspicious activity that may take place during their routes.

"Making our community a safer place is a main concern for the town, and we welcome the assistance that Waste Management drivers will bring to our department," said Police Chief David McAllister.

"Waste Management is a responsible corporate citizen, and we are thankful to partner with them to launch the new *Waste Watch* program."

Waste Management employees have undergone proper training given by their corporate security department as well as meetings with town officers on what to look for and how to respond in the case of an emergency. Should anything occur while on their routes, a driver will have the necessary tools to act quickly in communicating with their dispatcher, who will then coordinate with emergency officials in resolving the situation.

"Safety is our number one priority, and we are excited that we have the opportunity to provide extra benefits to the community," said Russ Hightower of Waste Management. "*Waste Watch* is a win-win for Waste Management and the citizens of Bluffton."

For more information about *Waste Watch* and Waste Management's services and products please visit [www.wm.com](http://www.wm.com).

**About Town of Bluffton Police Department**

The Bluffton Police Department strives to improve the quality of life for the citizens of and visitors to the Town of Bluffton, by impartially and courteously maintaining order and public safety, preventing, and solving crime. For more information see the department visit [www.blufftonpolice.com](http://www.blufftonpolice.com).

**About Waste Management**

Waste Management, based in Houston, Texas, is the leading provider of comprehensive waste management services in North America, providing collection, transfer, recycling and resource recovery, and disposal services. We are also a leading developer, operator and owner of waste-to-energy and landfill gas-to-energy facilities in the United States with active operations and facilities located in South Carolina. We proudly employ approximately 500 employees in South Carolina and 45,000 employees nationwide. For more information about Waste Management visit [www.wm.com](http://www.wm.com) or [www.ThinkGreen.com](http://www.ThinkGreen.com).