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Michael J. Ryan, Chair Governing Board Solid Waste Disposal and Recyclable Materials Processing Authority of Broward County, Florida 1 North University Drive Plantation, Florida 33324

Re: Transition from "Interim General Counsel" to "General Counsel" and Cost of Living Adjustment of Rates

Dear Chair Ryan and Members of the Governing Board:

It has been my privilege to serve as Interim General Counsel for the Solid Waste Disposal and Recyclable Materials Processing Authority of Broward County, Florida (the "Authority") for the past two years. I am grateful for the opportunity to assist the Authority during its formative years and remain committed to providing the highest quality legal services as the Authority continues its important work on behalf of the residents of Broward County.

In light of the length and ongoing nature of my Firm's responsibilities to the Authority, I respectfully request that my Firm's title be changed from *Interim General Counsel* to *General Counsel*.

Additionally, when the retainer agreement was executed in October 2023, no provision was made for rate adjustments. To ensure that the fee structure remains fair and consistent with economic conditions, and in recognition of the increases in the cost of living, I respectfully request that the hourly rates set forth in our retainer agreement be increased by the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for all items for the Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach Metropolitan Statistical Area (the "CPI") for the past two years, which would represent a 6.7% increase. Further, I request that the Governing Board agree that the rates will be subject to automatic annual CPI adjustments effective each October 1 going forward. All CPI calculations shall be based upon the most recent CPI figures available on October 1 of each year, which would be the June to June CPI increases).

I deeply value the trust the Authority has placed in me and my Firm and look forward to continuing to serve in this role. If approved by the Governing Board and signed by the Chair, this letter will serve as an amendment to the retainer agreement dated October 11, 2023.

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Thank you again for the opportunity to serve the Authority and the Governing Board.

Very truly yours,

Jamie A. Cole

AGREED AND ACCEPTED as of October 1, 2025

Solid Waste Disposal and Recyclable Materials Processing Authority of Broward County, Florida

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Michael J. Ryan, Chair

Cc: Todd Storti, Executive Director