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RESOLUTION

of the
ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
regarding
**ORANGE COUNTY UTILITIES
BIOSOLIDS MANAGEMENT**

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-M-12

The Orange County Utilities Department water reclamation facilities produce a nutrient-rich organic residual byproduct known as biosolids. The recycling of nutrients back to the land through biosolids application conserves a valuable resource. Biosolids land application represents an environmentally responsible means of sustaining the production of our agricultural lands for future generations. The Utilities Department's goal is to continue to maximize the beneficial reuse of biosolids from our facilities.

WHEREAS, the Utilities Department Water Reclamation Division has voluntarily committed to following the National Biosolids Partnership's (NBP) Code of Good Practice and to implementing an Environmental Management System (EMS) for its biosolids program to accomplish this goal; and

WHEREAS, this voluntary commitment involves following environmentally sound and sustainable operational practices and the principles of conduct set forth in the National Biosolids Code of Good Practice and submitting a detailed program audit to an outside, independent third party to certify the program; and

WHEREAS, the Utilities Department's Water Reclamation Division will make every effort to ensure that the biosolids practices at the water reclamation facilities and application sites shall not be detrimental to the public and shall comply with all applicable federal, state, county, and local laws, rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS, this resolution will be incorporated into the biosolids EMS and copies of this resolution will be made available to all interested parties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ORANGE COUNTY:

1. The Orange County Utilities Department Water Reclamation Division will continue to maximize the beneficial reuse of biosolids from County facilities.
2. This resolution shall be promptly recorded in the Official Records of Orange County, Florida.
3. This Resolution shall become effective on the date of its adoption.

ADOPTED THIS 29th DAY OF April, 2003.

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
By: Board of County Commissioners

By: *Richard T. Crotty*
Richard T. Crotty
County Chairman

ATTEST: Martha O. Haynie, County Comptroller
As Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

By: *Martha O. Haynie*
Asst. Deputy Clerk

