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NO HOLIDAY SCHEDULE CHANGES
FOR GARBAGE, YARD WASTE, AND RECYCLING
COLLECTIONS ON CHRISTMAS DAY AND NEW YEARS
DAY

FORT MYERS, Fla. (December 22, 2011) – All GARBAGE, RECYCLING, and YARD WASTE COLLECTIONS in unincorporated Lee County, the City of Bonita Springs and Town of Fort Myers Beach are performed ON THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED COLLECTION DAY. However, County offices are closed from December 23rd through December 26th, and also from December 30th through January 2nd. Residents experiencing problems with the collection of refuse are asked to call their respective garbage collection company directly. Above closure is also in effect for the Household Chemical Waste Collection Facility on 6441 Topaz Court.

Please recycle all gift boxes and wrapping paper. Dispose of live Christmas trees curbside for pick up on the yard waste collection day.

Residents in multi-family units please contact the Management Company for details.

Please remove lights, ornaments, and tree stand. Thank you.

Recycling: During the holiday season we tend to generate much more garbage than usual. A substantial portion, between 20% and 25%, of it is recyclable. Aluminum pie tins, plastic and glass bottles, aluminum beverage cans, mayo and relish jars, plastic whipped topping tubs, all **cardboard including gift and shoe boxes, wrapping paper, tissue paper**, as well as **sales fliers and catalogs, can be recycled**. Please recycle all cardboard boxes (very large boxes need to be broken down to 4 ft x 6 ft). Should customers find that they have more recyclable material than usual and their container is filled to capacity, a paper grocery bag may be used to accommodate any excess. Cardboard can be neatly placed next to the recycling container. Please do not use

plastic bags for containers of recyclable material! Remember, presorting of recyclables is no longer required; all your recyclables can go into one container.

The Solid Waste Division thanks the residents for participating in the Lee County Recycling Program and for ultimately preserving precious natural resources.

We wish all Lee County residents safe holiday season and look forward to serving you in 2012.