

## PRESS RELEASE

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## SUBJECT: MASCARO AWARDED BIO-SOLIDS CONTRACT VALUED IN EXCESS OF \$20,000,000

Local waste removal/disposal company, J. P. Mascaro & Sons has been awarded a long-term contract to handle all bio-solids generated by the City of Reading. Reading is one of the largest cities in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with a population in excess of 95,000.

Mascaro is the leading provider of recycling and disposal of sludge/bio-solids in the region. The Pioneer Crossing Landfill in Exeter Township will handle the Reading contract. Mascaro will be responsible for the supplying of equipment, transportation, and disposal of the waste materials. Mascaro is also the owner/operator of A&M Composting which is the largest indoor composting plant in the country. The plant is over 450,000 sq. ft. and is equipped with state-of-the-art environmental controls including leachate management and biological odor filtration systems. This plant recycles the bio-solids into soil nutrients and additives.

Pat Mascaro, President of J. P. Mascaro & Sons, stated the City of Reading is a neighbor to our Berks County infrastructure and it is a "natural" that we have a significant partnership and our ability to meet a very importation function for the city's residents.

J. P. Mascaro & Sons is a local company, founded and headquartered in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, and is the largest privately-owned waste company in the Northeast. The company was founded by Joseph P. Mascaro, Sr. and is operated by his four sons. Today, the company has the benefit of an emerging third generation of family members to guide the company into the future. The Mascaro Company possesses a strategic infrastructure of recycling, transfer and disposal facilities in the local region that has enabled it to be the major provider of municipal services in the region.