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MEMORANDUM

TO: Elected Officials, Investors, Contractors, and Interested Individuals

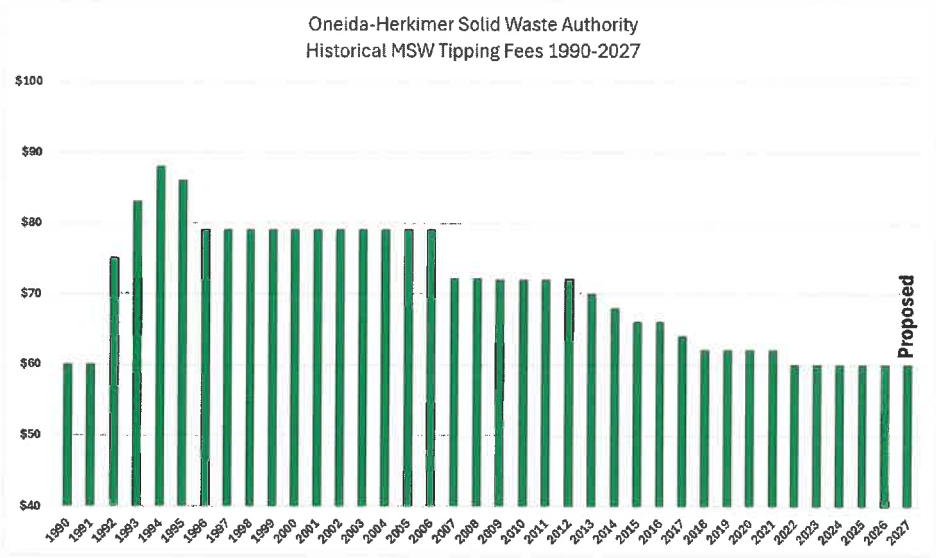
FROM: Joshua J. Olbrys, Executive Director JO

DATE: October 28, 2026

RE: Proposed 2027 Budget

I am pleased to submit the attached proposed 2027 budget for the Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority, pursuant to Article IX, Section 9.2 of the Authority Bylaws and the Public Authorities Accountability Act of 2005. Highlights of the Authority's proposed budget and rates for 2027 include:

- The Authority will maintain tipping fees for municipal solid waste (MSW), sludge, and local solid waste (LSW).
- The rate for source separated organics (SSO) [food waste] will increase from $40 per ton to $56 per ton. The Authority's SSO processing facility became operational in the second quarter of 2019 and will process SSO to be diverted from the landfill and converted to electricity.
- In 2027, the Authority will continue to offer two reduced tip fee programs to assist Oneida and Herkimer Counties and its municipalities. The first program provides reduced tip fees for disposal of debris following a disaster, such as a flood ($42.00 per ton). The second program provides for reduced tipping fees to assist Industrial Development Agencies and Developers related to Brownfield clean-up and Industrial Development Projects ($42.00 per ton). Both programs require an application and Board approval.



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REVENUE HIGHLIGHTS

- 2026 projected tonnage estimates based upon 7-month actual tonnage in 2026 and a review of historical data.
- Sale of recyclables revenues forecasted with 7-month data from 2026, historical review and market projections for 2027.
- The Authority will continue to operate two engines at its power facility as per its agreement with Waste Management Renewable Energy through March 2027.
- The out of county recyclable processing revenue is based upon annual tonnage from Oswego, Lewis and Fulton Counties.
- The carbon credit revenue is budgeted for the entire year.

EXPENSE HIGHLIGHTS

- Health insurance expense budgeted at 10% increase over 2026 premiums.
- Budget reflects $465,000 of contracted direct payments made to the Town of Ava and the Town and Villages of Boonville, consistent with our Host Community Agreements.
- Fuel expense was budgeted at $4.50 per gallon as the result of industry forecasts.
- Public education expenses are projected to be $125,000.
- Workers' compensation budget is based upon 5-year average of the Authority's actual claims.
- The annual contributions to the NYS Retirement System will increase to 21.3% for Tier 4 members and to 13.8% for Tier 6 members.
- The 2026 Debt Service is $0.

MUNICIPAL BUDGETS

- The Authority manages the waste and recyclables collection systems for the City of Utica and the Village of Ilion, Frankfort, Mohawk, Herkimer and Dolgeville. The Authority currently maintains a separate accounting system for each municipality.

A public hearing and an overview of the proposed 2027 budget will be held preceding the November 16, 2026 Board meeting at 4:30 PM. A vote on the proposed 2027 budget is anticipated at the December 14, 2026 meeting.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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2027

PROPOSED BUDGET

2027 PROPOSED FEE SCHEDULE WASTE CLASS	CONTRACT PERMITTED HAULER RATE PER TON OR RATE PER ITEM	NON-CONTRACT PERMITTED HAULER RATE PER TON OR RATE PER ITEM	RESIDENT RATE PER TON OR RATE PER ITEM
Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) [Non-Recyclable Waste]	$60.00	$115.00	$60.00
Local Solid Waste (LSW) [Non-Recyclable Waste]	$50.00	N/A	N/A
Sludge	$60.00	$115.00	N/A
Source Separated Organics (SSO) *	$56.00	$115.00	N/A
Construction & Demolition (C&D)	$58.00	$115.00	$58.00
C&D Trucking & Disposal Roll-Off	$73.00	N/A	N/A
C&D Trucking & Disposal Trailer	$58.00	N/A	N/A
C&D - Trailer Direct Haul	$50.00	N/A	N/A
SSO Mixed with 25% MSW/ 25% Recyclables *	$120.00	$230.00	$120.00
Waste Mixed with 25% Recyclables	$120.00	$230.00	$120.00
Recyclables Mixed with Unacceptable Material	$120.00	$230.00	$120.00
Select C&D (Clean Fill Only i.e., asphalt, concrete, brick and stone)	$25.00	N/A	$25.00
Clean Wood Pallets	$15.00	$15.00	$15.00
Direct Haul Special Waste	$55.00	$87.00	N/A
Direct Haul Asbestos (1 ton minimum up to 4,000 tons)	$80.00	$159.00	N/A
Direct Haul Bulk Asbestos (> 4,000 tons per year to 8,000 tons per year)	$70.00	$159.00	N/A
Direct Haul Bulk Asbestos (> 8,000 tons per year)	$60.00	$159.00	N/A
ADC/Contaminated Soil – Regional Landfill Cover	$30-$35	N/A	N/A
Single Stream Recyclables (Oneida & Herkimer County)	$0.00	$49.00	$0.00
Out of Region Single Stream Recyclables (Prior Authorization Needed)	TBD	N/A	N/A
Green Waste/Wood Chip Disposal	$15.00	$18.50	$5.00 Flat Fee P/U Truck
Green Waste/Wood Chip Disposal - Minimum Charge	$5.00	$5.00	$5.00
Bagged Compost Out	N/A	N/A	$3.00 Per Bag
Bulk Compost Out - Large P/U Truck [3 buckets] (we load)	N/A	N/A	$20.00 Flat Fee
Bulk Compost Out - Small P/U Truck [up to 2 buckets] (we load)	N/A	N/A	$15.00 Flat Fee
Bulk Compost Out - Less than 100 yd. (we load)	N/A	N/A	$15.00 Per Yard
Bulk Compost Out - Greater than 100 yd. (we load)	N/A	N/A	$12.00 Per Yard - By Appointment Only
Bulk Compost Out - Greater than 500 yards per year (we load)	N/A	N/A	$10.00 Per Yard
Stumps, Root Balls & Oversized Limbs	$15.00	$18.50	N/A
Tires up to 20" (Per Tire)	$5.50	$6.00	$5.50
Tires Bulk	$260.00	$305.00	$260.00
Tires on a Rim Add for Each	$4.50	$5.00	$4.50
Household White Goods (i.e. Washers) Per Item	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Household Items w/CFCs (i.e. Freezers) Per Item	$10.00	$15.00	$10.00
35-Gallon Bag of MSW/SSO	N/A	N/A	$2.00
One Bulk Item (i.e. Chair/Sofa/Table)	N/A	N/A	$5.00
Minimum Load Charge - MSW 0 to 250 lbs.	$7.50 Flat Fee	$15.00 Flat Fee	$7.50 Flat Fee
Minimum Load Charge - MSW 251 to 500 lbs.	$15.00 Flat Fee	$28.75 Flat Fee	$15.00 Flat Fee
Minimum Load Charge - MSW 501 to 750 lbs.	$22.50 Flat Fee	$43.25 Flat Fee	$22.50 Flat Fee
Minimum Load Charge - MSW 751 to 1,000 lbs.	$30.00 Flat Fee	$57.50 Flat Fee	$30.00 Flat Fee
Minimum Load Charge - LSW 0 to 250 lbs.	$6.25 Flat Fee	N/A	N/A
Minimum Load Charge - LSW 251 to 500 lbs.	$12.50 Flat Fee	N/A	N/A
Minimum Load Charge - LSW 501 to 750 lbs.	$18.75 Flat Fee	N/A	N/A
Minimum Load Charge - LSW 751 to 1,000 lbs.	$25.00 Flat Fee	N/A	N/A
Minimum Load Charge - C & D 0 to 250 lbs.	$7.25 Flat Fee	$15.00 Flat Fee	$7.25 Flat Fee
Minimum Load Charge - C & D 251 to 500 lbs.	$14.50 Flat Fee	$28.75 Flat Fee	$14.50 Flat Fee
Minimum Load Charge - C & D 501 to 750 lbs.	$21.75 Flat Fee	$43.25 Flat Fee	$21.75 Flat Fee
Minimum Load Charge - C & D 751 to 1,000 lbs.	$29.00 Flat Fee	$57.50 Flat Fee	$29.00 Flat Fee
Minimum Load Charge - SSO 0 to 250 lbs. *	$7.00 Flat Fee	$15.00 Flat Fee	$7.00 Flat Fee
Minimum Load Charge - SSO 251 to 500 lbs. *	$14.00 Flat Fee	$28.75 Flat Fee	$14.00 Flat Fee
Minimum Load Charge - SSO 501 to 750 lbs. *	$21.00 Flat Fee	$43.25 Flat Fee	$21.00 Flat Fee
Minimum Load Charge - SSO 751 to 1,000 lbs. *	$28.00 Flat Fee	$57.50 Flat Fee	$28.00 Flat Fee
Penalty for Untarped Loads	$10.00	$10.00	$10.00
Manually Removing Frozen Loads	$0.00	$25.00	N/A
Vehicle Weight Fee	$5.00	$10.00	$5.00
Natural Disaster Debris Tipping Fee- Must be approved through Application	$42.00	N/A	N/A
Brownfield Clean-Up/ IDA Project Tipping Fee- Must be approved through Application !	$42.00	N/A	N/A

MSW = Municipal Solid Waste (Non-Recyclable Waste)
LSW = Local Solid Waste (Non-Recyclable Waste)
ADC = Alternate Daily Cover
C&D = Construction & Demolition Debris
SSO= Source Separated Organics
T&D = Trucking & Disposal
* Rates will be Applicable upon commencement of operation of SSO Processing Facility
! Annual Limit of 5,000 tons on a First Come First Serve Basis
N/A = Non-Applicable TBD = To Be Determined

2027 PROJECTED TONNAGE

Waste Class	2024 Actual Tons	2025 Actual Tons	2026 Projected Tons	2026 Adopted Rates	2026 Budgeted Revenue	2026 Actual Tons 6 months	2026 Revenue 6 Mo.	2027 Projected Tons	2027 Proposed Rates	2027 Budgeted Revenue
MSW	174,542	177,147	163,500	$60.00	$9,810,000	88,144	$5,352,880	173,500	$60.00	$10,410,000
C&D	52,484	53,374	49,500	$58.00	$2,871,000	25,643	$1,519,681	49,500	$58.00	$2,871,000
C&D/T&D Trailer	1,944	232	1,000	$58.00	$58,000	0	$0	1,000	$58.00	$58,000
C&D/ Trailer Direct	5,326	8,904	1,000	$50.00	$50,000	5,188	$259,778	1,000	$50.00	$50,000
C&D/T&D Roll-off	0	15	100	$73.00	$7,300	0	$0	100	$73.00	$7,300
Direct Haul Special	4,157	7,139	3,200	$55.00	$176,000	4,176	$231,386	4,200	$55.00	$231,000
Local Waste	7,874	8,074	7,000	$50.00	$350,000	3,231	$160,857	7,000	$50.00	$350,000
Sludge	23,079	24,679	24,000	$60.00	$1,440,000	11,994	$710,518	24,000	$60.00	$1,440,000
Asbestos	8,560	7,508	6,500	$80.00	$520,000	1,956	$163,966	6,500	$80.00	$520,000
Source Separated Organics Processing	5,971	5,491	5,500	$40.00	$220,000	3,220	$128,972	6,500	$56.00	$364,000
ADC/Cover****	46,773	38,221	40,000	$15 - $30	$1,000,000	47,430	$1,192,542	50,000	$30-$35	$1,250,000
TOTAL	**330,710**	**330,784**	**301,300**	**----**	**$16,502,300**	**190,982**	**$9,720,581**	**323,300**	**----**	**$17,551,300**
**** Revenue is estimated at $25 per ton for 2026 and $30 for 2027										

PROPOSED 2027 AUTHORITY REVENUES

CATEGORY	2025 ACTUAL	2026 SIX MONTHS ACTUAL	2026 BUDGET	2027 PROPOSED BUDGET
System Tipping Fee (STF)	$19,195,157	$9,865,986	$16,502,300	$17,551,300
Sale of Recyclables	$2,055,660	$962,450	$2,050,000	$1,855,000
Recyclable Processing Fees	$955,244	$467,667	$945,000	$965,000
Compost Tipping Fees	$131,816	$64,435	$165,000	$165,000
Interest Earnings	$2,050,661	$393,715	$1,880,000	$1,861,800
Recycling Fees-Tires	$325,377	$201,705	$428,000	$473,200
Department Transfers	$86,000	$43,000	$86,000	$86,000
NYS Grants	$247,903	$55,000	$200,000	$200,000
CESQG Fees	$25,022	$12,859	$26,000	$26,000
Sale of Equipment	$214,746	$0	$300,000	$236,000
Discounts	($7,516)	($3,297)	($10,000)	($10,000)
Penalties	$3,102	$1,954	$5,000	$5,000
Recovery of Bad Debt	$0	$0	$0	$0
Sale of Compost/Grinding	$97,874	$56,759	$115,000	$115,000
Miscellaneous Income	$65,942	$79,212	$107,700	$70,700
Landfill Gas Revenues	$479,934	$653,004	$80,000	$360,000
Sale of Carbon Credits	$754,645	$1,002,798	$600,000	$735,000
Electronics Recycling	$0	$0	$0	$0
Solar Array Net Meter Credits	$193,036	$106,645	$170,000	$205,000
Contractual Penalties	$70,000	$0	$0	$0
Subtotal	**26,944,602**	**$13,963,890**	**$23,650,000**	**$24,900,000**

PROPOSED 2027 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVENUES

CATEGORY	2025 ACTUAL	2026 SIX MONTHS ACTUAL	2026 BUDGET	2027 PROPOSED BUDGET
Toter Revenue	$1,200,792	$770,415	$1,472,578	$1,517,200
Sale of Bags	$2,780,522	$1,450,660	$2,882,772	$2,913,600
User Fees	$2,646,537	$1,381,166	$2,664,000	$2,684,000
Interest Earnings	$10,122	$5,150	$9,050	$13,900
Penalties	$69,995	$58,811	$70,000	$70,000
Miscellaneous Income	$1,286	$690	$1,600	$1,300
Subtotal	**$6,709,254**	**$3,666,892**	**$7,100,000**	**$7,200,000**
TOTAL REVENUES	**$33,653,856**	**17,630,782**	**$30,750,000**	**$32,100,000**

PROPOSED 2027 AUTHORITY EXPENSES				
CATEGORY	2025 ACTUAL	2026 SIX MONTHS ACTUAL	2026 BUDGET	2027 PROPOSED BUDGET
Salaries & Wages	$4,572,775	$2,312,592	$5,051,731	$5,445,879
Overtime/Shift Differential	$784,076	$475,438	$751,950	$842,500
Other Fees & Services	$1,054,944	$630,436	$1,181,681	$1,226,681
Temporary Labor	$425,532	$223,117	$320,500	$350,300
Office Equipment & Supplies	$38,700	$13,067	$30,200	$34,700
Insurance	$328,360	$187,552	$389,893	$451,519
Rent/Lease of Equipment	$24,165	$13,393	$147,800	$27,600
Utilities	$355,064	$224,860	$350,000	$434,500
Telephone	$45,768	$22,981	$52,100	$51,300
Postage/Shipping	$12,465	$2,760	$16,000	$15,000
Training	$17,723	$9,518	$16,300	$16,300
Public Information	$114,675	$58,148	$95,000	$125,000
Uniforms & Safety	$68,161	$40,336	$81,000	$72,000
Auto Supplies/Repairs	$451,528	$232,503	$436,000	$507,500
Travel	$17,110	$10,374	$15,800	$21,800
Gas & Oil	$1,036,603	$851,335	$1,516,340	$1,930,500
Other Equipment	$211,461	$124,293	$248,500	$254,500
Materials & Supplies	$342,765	$209,071	$465,500	$470,500
Maintenance Service Contracts	$391,295	$195,360	$347,000	$402,500
Transportation	$2,638,467	$1,304,680	$2,774,450	$3,829,935
Disposal Fees	$976,963	$876,702	$1,358,900	$1,386,080
Host Community Fee	$749,690	$373,853	$761,000	$760,000
Other Expenses	$260,605	$244,235	$290,500	$353,000
Retirement	$546,815	$304,459	$608,918	$1,078,844
Social Security	$388,021	$202,593	$443,983	$481,062
Workers Compensation	$264,693	$121,950	$243,901	$227,903
Unemployment	$5,665	$0	$0	$0
Health Insurance	$1,260,059	$608,807	$1,493,929	$1,725,715
GASB 75 Contribution	($220,213)	($184,644)	$195,500	$195,500
Debt Service	$79,099	$2,087	$1,871,680	$0
Capital Projects	$80,888	$44,003	$0	$0
Depreciation	$8,050,480	$4,753,095	$0	$0
Transfers to Other Departments	$12,000	$6,000	$12,000	$12,000
Trustee Fees	$1,375	$0	$1,375	$0
Reserves	$0	$0	$1,600,000	$1,600,000
Contingency	$0	$0	$480,571	$569,383
Bad Debt	(50,000)	$0	$0	$0
Interest Expense	7,855	$2,572	$0	$0
TOTAL EXPENSES	**$25,345,633**	**$14,497,528**	**$23,650,000**	**$24,900,000**

PROPOSED 2027 LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXPENSES				
CATEGORY	2025 ACTUAL	2026 SIX MONTHS ACTUAL	2026 BUDGET	2027 PROPOSED BUDGET
Salaries & Wages	$200,327	$102,434	$202,093	$214,259
Overtime/Shift Differential	$20,610	$10,137	$24,000	$24,000
Other Fees & Services	$389,944	185,688	$474,900	$474,200
Temporary Labor	$0	$0	$0	$0
Office Equipment & Supplies	$1,083	$240	$1,100	$1,100
Insurance	$9,528	$4,765	$10,000	$10,000
Rent/Lease of Equipment	$72,904	$35,786	$74,900	$77,300
Utilities	$0	$0	$0	$0
Telephone	$1,863	$944	$2,500	$2,500
Postage/Shipping	$29,811	$24,216	$32,800	$35,050
Training	$0	$0	$0	$0
Public Information	$4,443	$4,057	$4,500	$5,000
Uniforms & Safety	$1,547	$1,457	$3,000	$3,000
Auto Supplies/Repairs	$1,577	$1,091	$4,500	$4,500
Travel	$0	$0	$0	$0
Gas & Oil	$6,173	$4,156	$8,000	$9,000
Other Equipment	$169	$0	$0	$0
Materials & Supplies	$259	$376	$1,000	$1,000
Maintenance Service Contracts	$735	$411	$2,000	$2,000
Transportation	$0	$0	$0	$0
Disposal Fees	$1,524,688	$733,633	$1,597,700	$1,599,150
Collection Fees	$3,655,893	$2,039,870	$4,059,700	$4,148,800
Other Expenses	$32,462	$17,554	$35,000	$35,000
Retirement	$24,353	$13,257	$26,514	$45,774
Social Security	$14,830	$7,594	$17,296	$18,227
Workers Compensation	$10,622	$4,879	$9,757	$8,966
Health Insurance	$91,029	$45,416	$80,094	$99,657
Debt Service	$0	$0	$0	$0
Capital Projects		$0	$42,000	$0
Depreciation	$20,636	$10,318	$0	$0
GASB 75	($19,147)	($32,648)	$29,500	$29,500
Contingency	$0	$0	$56,285	$39,516
Transfers to Other Departments	$46,000	$23,000	$46,000	$46,000
Bad Debt	$254,530	$127,045	$254,860	$266,500
Refund of Prior Years Surplus	$24,860	$0	$0	$0
TOTAL EXPENSES	**$6,421,731**	**$3,365,678**	**$7,100,000**	**$7,200,000**