



Media Release
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TPI awarded kerbside collection contract

Selwyn District Council's kerbside collection contract has been awarded to Transpacific Industries Group (NZ) Ltd, who currently provide this service.

Tenders were evaluated using a weighted attribute method which covered both quality of service provision as well as price. The Tender award price of \$2 million per year represents a saving to Council on the previous contract.

"Transpacific Industries (TPI) have an excellent safety record, as well as good environmental management systems," says the Council's Solid Waste Manager Gavin Sole.

"Satisfaction with the current recycling and rubbish collection service TPI have provided has been very high, with 90% of Selwyn residents saying they were satisfied with the service in last year's resident's survey."

"TPI provide kerbside collection services for Christchurch City and Waimakariri District Councils so they have the extra staff and resources available to provide a high quality service," he adds.

As part of the contract, new collection trucks will be introduced. These will have on board cameras to provide the Council with live data on what is collected. The new collection trucks will have increased storage capacity to collect rubbish and recyclables as Selwyn's population grows. This will also mean that fewer trips are required to the Eco Central depot in Sockburn to drop off recyclables, enabling collection rounds to be completed quicker.

TPI will be working with the Council to improve public education and encourage an increase in the amount of recyclables and organics collected so that less rubbish is sent to the regional landfill at Kate Valley.

TPI's contract is for an initial five year period, with potential extension to 10 years based on continued quality service. The contract commences on 1 July 2014.

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