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City Recognizes Businesses for Environmental Excellence

RIVERSIDE, Calif. –Pollution reduction efforts earn five Riverside businesses special recognition for their work to protect public health and the environment. Congratulations to Anchos Southwest Grill & Bar, BMW of Riverside, Blue Banner Company, Inc., Goodrich Aerostructures and Swiss Dairy.

The Public Works Department works with nearly 3,600 businesses in the program to reduce pollutants entering the City sewer system. Businesses in the program must construct on-site treatment systems and/or find creative ways to reduce pollutants in their wastewater discharges.

Each of the businesses has demonstrated extraordinary efforts to achieve this goal through compliance history, innovative use of technology and water conservation to reduce volume to the sewer system.

- Anchos Southwest Grill & Bar is a long-time favorite restaurant serving Southwestern cuisine. The facility was recognized for its high standards for housekeeping as it relates to pollution prevention to the sewer and stormwater system.
- BMW of Riverside is an automotive sales and service company that has demonstrated a dedication to the environment through its outstanding compliance record, higher than standard housekeeping and excellent recordkeeping of their activities.
- Blue Banner Company, Inc. performs citrus fruit processing (washing, rinsing and waxing). Once the fruit finishes these processes it is conveyed to sorting, sizing, labeling, and packaging areas and then transferred to cold storage. The facility has installed a new cooling tower with energy and water savings controls and is proposing a fruit washing bin that will decrease water usage to conserve water and reduce environmental impact.
- Goodrich Aerostructures is a large aerospace and defense supplier. Its Riverside

facility includes an aircraft parts manufacturing plant. Despite its many manufacturing processes, Goodrich Aerostructures is a zero-discharge facility. All wastewater generated from the processes and other related sources are discharged to the waste minimization system located on site which uses state of the art technology to remove pollutants from wastewater. The discharge from the waste minimization system is re-circulated and reused which results in cost savings to the company and keeps the waste from entering into the City's Water Quality Control Plant.

- Swiss Dairy manufactures milk products received from a farmer's cooperative. The milk is pasteurized, homogenized, and bottled. Other products bottled and packaged at the facility include flavored juice and drinking water. Swiss Dairy, in their continual effort to save water, has designed and installed a new rinsing station for their fruit juice bottling line. The rinsing station only uses water when necessary lowering water and sewer costs and preserving the environment. The equipment will reduce water consumption and lower water and sewer costs.

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