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### Recycle-Motion Getting Easier: MMWA Moving To No-Sort Recycling

SAGINAW, MI ----- Getting in Recycle-Motion will soon take just 1-Step! Area residents can soon stop sorting recyclables into separate bins. As of January 1, 2015, recycling will get easier and more efficient for communities served by Mid Michigan Waste Authority.

MMWA's curbside residential recycling program has been upgraded to include more materials and eliminate sorting requirements. Residents will now be able to recycle all of their plastic, metal, glass, paper, chipboard and cardboard in one container, no sorting needed. The expanded Recycle-Motion program will accept all plastics #1 through #7, with the exception of expanded plastic #6 foam products. Those items; packing peanuts, packaging foam, still need to be disposed of in the trash.

"By moving to a no-sort recycling program and adding all packaging plastics, we hope recycling participation will increase, now that recycling is more convenient than ever," said Monica Duebbert, MMWA General Manager.

Duebbert noted the advantages to the new recycling program. Eliminating sorting between several bins and allowing all plastics to be recycled makes recycling one easy step. Making participation simple has been shown to boost recycling participation and result in more recyclables getting to the curb, decreasing the amount of material bound for the landfill.

While residents may still use official recycling bins from their community, MMWA encourages residents to swap their bin(s) for 33 gallon or smaller containers, with almost double the capacity of a recycling bin, to hold more materials, and also save space in their homes and garages. To use a 33-gallon container as a recycling can, residents should affix a "Recyclables Only" sticker to it or, paint or permanent marker a large letter "R" on the front. "Recyclables Only" stickers are available at municipal offices or through MMWA.

For more information about MMWA's Recycle-Motion program, visit [www.recyclemotion.org](http://www.recyclemotion.org). Mid Michigan Waste Authority is a government entity responsible for developing and administering a comprehensive residential solid waste services system for 35 member communities across the Saginaw Valley area.

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