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Taipei City Regulations for Encouragement of Reporting Violation of Waste Disposal

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Article 1 These Regulations are established as per Article 67, paragraph 3 of the Waste Disposal Act (hereinafter called the “Act”).

Article 2 The Department of Environmental Protection (hereinafter called the “DEP”) of the Taipei City Government shall be the competent authority of these Regulations. The DEP may commission the Environmental Inspection Division (hereinafter called the “EID”) of the DEP to implement these Regulations.

Article 3 After detecting violations of the Act in Taipei City, citizens can state the facts and submit relevant evidence by correspondence or email to the DEP or EID.

No reward will be granted to an informant under any one of the following circumstances:

1. Reports filed in anonymity or a pseudo name.

2. The informant is a staff member of the DEP or related units.

3. Reports without facts or solid evidence.

4. Failure to file a report within 7 days after the detection of violation.

5. Failure to file a report with a true contact phone number, address, or in the report format specified by the DEP, and failure to make corrections by the time-limit notified by the DEP or EID.

6. The report of a same offence by the same informant who has collected the reward.

The DEP or EID shall send a reply to the informant in writing to state the rationale and legal bases for the above circumstances, except in the event of subparagraph 1 above or the informant states the waiver of a reply.

The solid evidence stated in paragraphs 1 and 2 refers to the photos, videos, or other information valid for indicating the act, fact, time, and location of violation.

Article 4 The reward policy under these Regulations does not apply to a citizen’s report on violation of the Act that has been under the investigation of the DEP or EID with confirmed facts or violators, except for cases under investigation confirmed by the evidence or data provided by an informant.

Article 5 If a reported violation is found true and punished with an administrative fine over NT$1,200, a reward will be given to the informant according to the violations and the proportion of reward specified in the annex.

The maximum amount of reward for each report is NT$50,000. Each violation will only be rewarded once.

The maximum amount of rewards for reports made by the same informant according to the above two paragraphs shall be NT$300,000 a year.

Article 6 For reports made by two or more persons, the reward will be evenly shared among each informant. If the same violation is reported with solid evidence by two or more informants one after another, the reward will be given to the first informant and will not be shared with later informants. The reward shall be equally shared among informants when the report sequence cannot be determined.

Article 7 For cases with approved rewards, the DEP will notify the informants to collect the rewards and withhold the tax according to the related regulations.

Article 8 The Regulations shall take effect as of the date of promulgation.