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Industry Veteran Hired to Lead Solid Waste and Recycling Planning Efforts

Portland, OR (December 5, 2022) JRMA, a leading architectural, engineering, and planning firm specializing in the design of solid waste facilities including transfer stations, materials recovery facilities (MRFs), and anaerobic digestion/biogas plants (AD), is pleased to announce the hiring of Will Elder to lead its solid waste and recycling planning efforts. Mr. Elder will be based in our Portland office and support a diverse array of planning projects including master planning, feasibility studies, and procurement and advisory services.

Mr. Elder has 16 years of solid waste experience recently serving as a Principal Solid Waste Operations Planner for Metro in Portland, Oregon. Metro is a regional agency whose responsibilities include solid waste planning for 1.5 million people in Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington counties. Will delivered project management and technical expertise over a 13-year period at Metro, including recently managing the design of the commercial food waste processing system proposed for the Metro Central Transfer Station.

“We are excited to have Will join our team and look forward to his contributions in continuing our expanded portfolio of clients in the Pacific Northwest,” remarked Kevin McCarthy Solid Waste/Organics Practice Leader for JRMA. “He will play a critical role in the front end of solid waste and recycling infrastructure development projects to meet client requirements and expanding state mandates to meet climate policy goals.”

About JRMA

JRMA Architects & Engineers (J. R. Miller & Associates), is an architectural, engineering, and planning firm headquartered in Brea, CA. The firm offers comprehensive services for the planning and design of processing facilities, including solid waste and recycling, organics recovery, renewable energy, aviation, industrial, and food processing. For forty years, JRMA has built a reputation for designing facilities that are cost-effective, achieve operational excellence, and reflect sustainable design features. With over 65 employees, JRMA has additional offices in Portland, OR; Houston, TX; San Carlos, CA; and Lexington, KY.