



## PUBLIC INFORMATION

ITEM NO.   1  

**DATE OF MEETING:** April 20, 2009

**REQUESTED BY:** Board of Commissioners

**SHORT TITLE:** Recognition of Pender High School JROTC for Implementing a Successful Recycling Program at Pender High and for their Support of the Electronics Recycling Event

**BACKGROUND:** In August of 2008, Chief Williams (Senior Army Instructor) of Pender High School contacted Pender Solid Waste to indicate that the 2009 JROTC class would like to implement and manage a products recycling program within the school system. In conjunction with Waste Industries, a formal presentation was given to each of the JROTC classes showing them what and how to recycle. The program began on October 1, 2008.

Since implementation of this program, the JROTC has been responsible for diverting 2.24 tons of plastic/paper/glass and aluminum from the landfill. In addition, the net savings on the solid waste bill to the Pender County Board of Education is \$167.40 per month, not including the tipping fee at the recycling center.

In addition, on March 28, 2009, the JROTC provided approximately 12 volunteers who assisted with the Electronics Recycling Event held at the old Topsail School. These young men and women lifted, carried and stacked the following:

Preliminary numbers

Monitors for reuse/refurbishing	104	3343
Other Monitors / terminals de-manufactured	14	416
Complete CPUs		1108
Incomplete CPUs		527
Peripherals / Misc. Electronics		3994
Televisions	57	3827
Televisions - Sony	3	190
Televisions - Zenith	2	78

Total Pounds 13483

The Pender County Commissioners wish to publicly commend these young men and women for their service to the community and for making the dream of a recycling program in the schools become a reality.

**SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED:** Special Recognition with a plaque presented to Chief Williams and SGM Price.