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FORM S-3
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER THE
SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 73-1309529 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

5400 LBJ FREEWAY SUITE 300 -- TOWER ONE DALLAS, TEXAS 75240 (214) 383-7900

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

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APPROXIMATE DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF PROPOSED SALE TO THE PUBLIC: From time to time after this Registration Statement becomes effective.

If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box. //

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box. /X/

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CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

PROPOSED MAXIMUM
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TITLE OF SECURITIES TO BE AMOUNT TO BE OFFERING PRICE OFFERING AMOUNT OF REGISTERED REGISTERED(1) PER SHARE PRICE REGISTRATION FEE

Common Stock, \$.01 par value... 3,172,226 shares \$20.75(1) \$65,823,689 \$22,697.82

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 Calculated in accordance with Rule 457(c), on the basis of the closing price for Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange on October 30, 1995.

THE REGISTRANT HEREBY AMENDS THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON SUCH DATE OR DATES AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO DELAY ITS EFFECTIVE DATE UNTIL THE REGISTRANT SHALL FILE A FURTHER AMENDMENT WHICH SPECIFICALLY STATES THAT THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL THEREAFTER BECOME EFFECTIVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8(A) OF THE

SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 OR UNTIL THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON SUCH DATE AS THE COMMISSION ACTING PURSUANT TO SUCH SECTION 8(A), MAY DETERMINE.

Information contained herein is subject to completion or amendment. A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This prospectus shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any State in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such

SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED NOVEMBER 1, 1995

3,172,226 SHARES

USA WASTE SERVICES, INC.

COMMON STOCK

This Prospectus covers the issuance of a maximum of 3,172,226 shares of common stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), of USA Waste Services, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), issuable to holders of the Company's outstanding 8 1/2% Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2002 (the "Debentures") upon conversion of the Debentures or to Sanders Morris Mundy inc. (the "Purchaser") under the standby arrangements described under "Standby Arrangements" and the reoffering to the public by the Purchaser of any Common Stock pursuant to such standby arrangements. As of October 25, 1995, Debentures in an aggregate principal amount of \$42,032,000 were outstanding.

On November 1, 1995, the Company called for redemption on December 11, 1995 (the "Redemption Date"), all of its outstanding Debentures at a redemption price of 105.67% of the principal amount of Debentures, plus accrued interest thereon from October 15, 1995, to the Redemption Date (the "Redemption Price"). The Debentures (or any portion thereof which is \$1,000 or an integral multiple thereof) may be converted into the Common Stock of the Company at a conversion price of \$13.25 of principal amount of Debentures per share of Common Stock or approximately 75.47 shares of Common Stock for each \$1,000 principal amount of Debentures at any time prior to 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on December 1, 1995 (the "Expiration Time"). Cash will be paid in lieu of any fractional shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the Debentures. No payment or adjustment to the conversion price will be made on account of accrued interest on the Debentures. ANY DEBENTURES NOT SO SURRENDERED FOR CONVERSION PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION TIME WILL BE REDEEMED FOR CASH ON THE REDEMPTION DATE.

The Company has made arrangements with the Purchaser pursuant to which the Purchaser has agreed to purchase from the Company, at the option of the Company, such number of shares (the "Shares") of Common Stock equal to the number of shares of Common Stock (the "Redemption Shares") that would have been issuable upon conversion of the Debentures that are not surrendered for conversion on or prior to the Expiration Time. The purchase price for such shares of Common Stock will be an amount equal to the aggregate Redemption Price of such Debentures. The Purchaser has agreed to remit to the Company not less than 75% of the amount, if any, by which the aggregate net proceeds received by the Purchaser from sales of the Shares exceeds the Redemption Price of the Shares if the number of Redemption Shares is equal to or less than 369,811 shares and not less than 50% of the amount, if any, by which the aggregate net proceeds received by the Purchaser from sales of the Shares exceeds the Redemption Price of the Shares if the number of Redemption Shares is greater than 369,811 shares. The Purchaser may also purchase Debentures in the open market or otherwise prior to the Expiration Time and has agreed to convert into Common Stock all Debentures which it so purchases. See "Standby Arrangements" for a description of the Purchaser's compensation and indemnification arrangements with the Company.

SEE "RISK FACTORS" ON PAGE 6 FOR A DISCUSSION OF CERTAIN FACTORS THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BY PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE COMMON STOCK. SO LONG AS THE MARKET PRICE OF THE COMMON STOCK IS GREATER THAN \$14.18 PER SHARE AT THE TIME OF CONVERSION, A HOLDER OF DEBENTURES WHO EXERCISES SUCH HOLDER'S CONVERSION RIGHTS WILL RECEIVE COMMON STOCK WITH A MARKET VALUE, PLUS CASH IN LIEU OF ANY FRACTIONAL SHARE, GREATER THAN THE AMOUNT OF CASH SUCH HOLDER WOULD OTHERWISE BE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE UPON THE REDEMPTION OF THE DEBENTURES, BEFORE DEDUCTING ANY APPLICABLE TRANSFER TAXES.

THESE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION NOR HAS THE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION PASSED UPON THE ACCURACY OR ADEQUACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

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On October 30, 1995, the closing price of the Common Stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange Composite Tape was \$20.75 per share. If a holder of \$1,000 principal amount of Debentures on that date had converted such principal amount, such holder would have received Common Stock (and cash in lieu of a fractional share) having a market value equal to \$1,566.03, based on the closing price of \$20.75 per share. The market price of the Common Stock received upon conversion is subject to fluctuation, and such holder may incur various transaction costs if the Common Stock is sold. See "Price Range of Common Stock and Dividends." Holders of Debentures are urged to obtain current information as to the market price of the Common Stock. So long as the market price of the Common Stock is greater than \$14.18 per share at the time of conversion, a holder of Debentures who exercises such holder's conversion rights will receive Common Stock with a market value, plus cash in lieu of any fractional share, greater than the amount of cash such holder would otherwise be entitled to receive upon the redemption of the Debentures, before deducting any applicable transfer taxes. See "Redemption of the Debentures and Alternatives to Redemption."

Prior to, on or after the Redemption Date, the Purchaser may offer shares of Common Stock pursuant to this Prospectus directly to the public, at prices set from time to time by it, including shares acquired pursuant to the standby arrangements or through conversion of Debentures acquired by the Purchaser. Each such price when set will not exceed the greater of the last sale or current offering price of the Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange plus the amounts of any concession to dealers, and an offering price on any calendar day will not be increased more than once during such day. In effecting such transactions, the Purchaser may realize profits or losses independent of the compensation referred to under "Standby Arrangements." The Purchaser may also make sales to dealers at prices that represent concessions from the prices at which such shares are then being offered to the public. The amount of such concessions will be determined from time to time by the Purchaser. Any Common Stock so offered is offered subject to prior sale, when, as and if received by the Purchaser, and subject to its right to reject orders in whole or in part. This Prospectus does not constitute an offer to sell any securities other than the Common Stock offered by the Purchaser.

The outstanding shares of Common Stock and any shares acquired through conversion of Debentures are listed, and the Shares will be listed, on the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE").

IN CONNECTION WITH THIS OFFERING, THE PURCHASER MAY OVER-ALLOT OR EFFECT TRANSACTIONS WHICH STABILIZE OR MAINTAIN THE MARKET PRICE OF THE DEBENTURES OR THE COMMON STOCK AT LEVELS ABOVE THOSE WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUCH TRANSACTIONS MAY BE EFFECTED ON THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE, IN THE OVER-THE-COUNTER MARKET OR OTHERWISE. SUCH STABILIZING, IF COMMENCED, MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT ANY TIME.

NO DEALER, SALESMAN, OR ANY OTHER PERSON HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED TO GIVE ANY INFORMATION OR TO MAKE ANY REPRESENTATIONS OTHER THAN THOSE CONTAINED IN THIS PROSPECTUS IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFERING CONTAINED HEREIN, AND, IF GIVEN OR MADE, SUCH INFORMATION OR REPRESENTATIONS MUST NOT BE RELIED UPON AS HAVING BEEN AUTHORIZED BY THE COMPANY. THIS PROSPECTUS DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR A SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO BUY ANY OF THE SECURITIES OFFERED HEREBY TO ANY PERSON TO WHOM IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE SUCH OFFER OR SOLICITATION. NEITHER THE DELIVERY OF THIS PROSPECTUS NOR ANY SALE HEREUNDER SHALL, UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, CREATE ANY IMPLICATION THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN THE AFFAIRS OF THE COMPANY SINCE THE DATE HEREOF.

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AVAILABLE INFORMATION

The Company is subject to the informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and in accordance therewith files reports, proxy statements, and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"). Reports, proxy and information statements, and other information filed by the Company can be inspected and copied at the public reference facilities maintained by the Commission at Judiciary Plaza Building, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Room 1024, Washington, D.C. 20549 and at the regional offices of the Commission located in New York, New York at 7 World Trade Center, Suite 1300, New York, New York 10048 and Chicago, Illinois at 500 West Madison, Suite 1400, Chicago, Illinois 60661. Copies of such material can be obtained from the Public Reference Section of the Commission at 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Room 1024, Washington, D.C. 20549, at prescribed rates.

The Company's Common Stock is traded on the NYSE and reports, proxy and information statements, and other information concerning the Company may be inspected at the offices of such Exchange at 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 18885

This Prospectus constitutes part of a Registration Statement on Form S-3 (together with all amendments and exhibits thereto, the "Registration Statement") filed by the Company with the Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). This Prospectus omits certain of the information contained in the Registration Statement, and reference is hereby made to the Registration Statement for further information with respect to the Company and the Common Stock offered hereby. Any statements contained herein concerning the provisions of any document filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement or otherwise filed with the Commission are not necessarily complete, and in each instance reference is made to the copy of such document as filed. Each such statement is qualified in its entirety by such reference. The Registration Statement, including exhibits and schedules thereto, may be inspected without charge at the offices of the Commission, and copies of such materials may be obtained therefrom at prescribed rates.

INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN INFORMATION BY REFERENCE

THIS PROSPECTUS INCORPORATES DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE THAT ARE NOT PRESENTED HEREIN OR DELIVERED HEREWITH. THESE DOCUMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST FROM CORPORATE SECRETARY, USA WASTE SERVICES, INC., 5400 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 300 -- TOWER ONE, DALLAS, TEXAS 75240, TELEPHONE NUMBER 214-383-7900. IN ORDER TO ENSURE TIMELY DELIVER OF THE DOCUMENTS, ANY REQUEST SHOULD BE MADE BY A DATE THAT IS AT LEAST FIVE DAYS PRIOR TO THE DATE ON WHICH THE FINAL INVESTMENT DECISION MUST BE MADE.

The following documents filed by the Company with the Commission under the Exchange Act are incorporated by reference in this Prospectus: $\frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^$

- (1) Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1994, as amended by Form 10-K/A (Amendment No. 1) dated April 25, 1995;
- (2) Current Report on Form 8-K dated February 28, 1994, as filed by Envirofil, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of the Company ("Envirofil") and as amended by Form 8-K/A dated May 11, 1994, including the combined financial statements of the Acquired New Jersey Solid Waste Companies as of December 31, 1992 and 1993 and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 1993;
- (3) Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, as amended, for the quarters ended March 31, 1995 and June 30, 1995;
- (4) Joint Proxy Statement and Prospectus for its 1995 Annual Meeting of Shareholders dated May 19, 1995;
 - (5) Current Report on Form 8-K dated June 30, 1995; and
- (6) the description of Common Stock of the Company contained in the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-B dated July 13, 1995.

All documents filed by the Company pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14, or 15(d) of the Exchange Act subsequent to the date of filing of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K referred to above and prior to the termination of the offering described herein shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference and to be a part of this Prospectus from the date of filing of such documents.

Any statement contained in a document incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for all purposes to the extent that a statement contained in this Prospectus, or in any other subsequently filed document that is also incorporated by reference, modifies or replaces such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Prospectus.

The Company will provide without charge to each person to whom this Prospectus is delivered, on written or oral request of such person, a copy (without exhibits) of any and all information incorporated by reference in this Prospectus. Requests for such copies should be directed to Corporate Secretary, USA Waste Services, Inc., (i) if by telephone to (214) 383-7900 and (ii) if by mail to 5400 LBJ Freeway, Suite 300 -- Tower One, Dallas, Texas 75240.

THE COMPANY

USA Waste is the fourth largest integrated solid waste management company in North America and serves municipal, commercial, industrial and residential customers in 21 states. The Company's solid waste management services include collection, transfer and disposal operations and, to a lesser extent, recycling and certain other waste management services. USA Waste owns or operates 29 landfills, 21 transfer stations and 42 collection operations and serves more than 450,000 customers.

Approximately 54% of the Company's revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1995 was attributable to collection operations, approximately 30% was attributable to landfill operations and approximately 9% was from transfer operations. Of the collection revenues, approximately 44%, 24% and 32% were from commercial, residential, and industrial customers, respectively. The Company focuses primarily on residential, commercial and permanent roll-off customers because such customers tend to provide more predictable waste stream volumes. The Company's average landfill volume for the three months ended June 30, 1995 was approximately 23,500 tons per day.

The Company intends to capitalize on the consolidation in the solid waste management industry. Key elements of the Company's strategy include (i) increasing productivity and operating efficiencies in existing and acquired operations, (ii) increasing revenues and enhancing profitability through tuck-in acquisitions and (iii) expanding into new markets through acquisitions. The Company seeks to become the low cost operator in each of its markets by increasing productivity and operating efficiencies through implementation of uniform administrative systems, consolidation of collection routes, improvement of equipment utilization, and increases in employee productivity through incentive compensation and training programs. The Company regularly pursues opportunities to expand its services through the acquisition of additional solid waste management businesses and operations that can be effectively integrated with the Company's existing operations, and pursues acquisitions in new markets where the Company believes it can strengthen its overall competitive position as a national provider of integrated solid waste management services.

The Company's executive offices are located at 5400 LBJ Freeway, Suite 300 -- Tower One, Dallas, Texas 75240 (telephone (214) 383-7900). The Company was organized in 1995 as a successor to USA Waste Services, Inc., an Oklahoma corporation organized in 1987. As used in this Prospectus, the terms "the Company" and "USA Waste" refer to USA Waste Services, Inc., a Delaware corporation and its subsidiaries.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

The Company materially expanded its operations and markets with its acquisition of Chambers Development Company, Inc. ("Chambers") on June 30, 1995 (the "Chambers Merger"). With the addition of the Chambers operations, which include significant landfill capacity as well as collection and transfer station operations, the Company established its presence in the Mid-Atlantic and southeastern regions of the United States. Since the Chambers Merger, the Company has continued to expand its operations and revenue base through a series of smaller acquisitions that complemented and expanded the Company's operations. The Company has completed nine acquisitions since the Chambers Merger resulting in the addition of four landfills, eight collection operations and eight transfer stations. The Company issued an aggregate of 2,453,000 shares of its Common Stock and paid an aggregate of \$11.4 million in cash in connection with these transactions. The acquired operations are based in Arkansas, Georgia, Missouri, Pennsylvania, Texas and Virginia.

In August 1995, the Company entered into an agreement with the Town of North Hempstead Solid Waste Management Authority in North Hempstead, New York for the management of its solid waste disposal, transfer, transport and recycling operations. The contract has a 15-year term unless terminated earlier in accordance with the agreement (such as in the case of an event of default) and is expected to provide the Company annual revenues of approximately \$9 million.

On October 6, 1995, the Company completed a public offering (the "1995 Offering") of 6,345,625 shares of Common Stock at a price of \$19.625 per share. The Company realized proceeds of \$118,398,183 before deducting expenses payable by the Company, estimated at \$550,000. The Company applied approximately

\$29,462,500 of the net proceeds to repayment of the term loan under its bank credit facility. The balance of the net proceeds was used to reduce amounts outstanding under the revolving credit portion of the Company's credit facility. Such amounts may be redrawn by the Company as its needs dictate for use in the expansion of its business, including acquisitions and for general corporate purposes.

RISK FACTORS

In addition to the other information set forth in this Prospectus, the following factors should be considered by prospective investors when evaluating an investment in the Common Stock of the Company.

ABILITY TO MANAGE AND MAINTAIN GROWTH

The Company has experienced rapid growth, primarily through acquisitions. The Company's financial results and prospects depend in large part on its ability to successfully manage and improve the operating efficiencies and productivity of these acquired operations. In particular, there can be no assurance that the Company will able to successfully integrate the operations of Chambers, the Company's largest acquisition to date. Moreover, the ability of the Company to continue to grow will depend on a number of factors, including competition from other waste management companies, availability of attractive acquisition opportunities, availability of working capital, ability to maintain operating margins and the management of costs in a changing regulatory environment. The Company is continually seeking acquisition opportunities and believes that there exists a substantial number of potentially attractive consolidation opportunities in the solid waste management industry. The Company may pursue significant acquisitions if they can be achieved on acceptable terms. There can be no assurance that the Company will be able to continue to expand and successfully integrate operations.

HIGH DEGREE OF LEVERAGE; NEED FOR CAPITAL

The long-term debt of the Company, including current maturities, as of October 31, 1995, was approximately \$400 million. Although the conversion of all of the Debentures will eliminate a portion of such indebtedness, the Company will continue to maintain significant amounts of debt and expects to require additional capital from time to time to pursue its acquisition strategy and to fund internal growth. A portion of the Company's future capital requirements may be provided through future debt incurrences or issuances of equity securities. Future events or conditions that could adversely affect the Company's operations or financial condition may prevent the Company from fulfilling its obligations under its debt agreements or may limit the Company's ability to incur additional indebtedness or issue equity securities.

PROFITABILITY MAY BE AFFECTED BY COMPETITION

The waste management industry is highly competitive and requires substantial capital resources. The industry consists of a few large national waste management companies as well as numerous local and regional companies of varying sizes and financial resources. The largest national waste management companies have significantly greater financial resources than the Company. Competition may also be affected by the increasing national emphasis on recycling, composting, incineration, and other waste reduction programs that could reduce the volume of solid waste collected or deposited in landfills.

POTENTIAL ADVERSE EFFECT OF GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS

The Company's operations are subject to, and substantially affected by, extensive federal, state and local laws, regulations, orders and permits, which govern environmental protection, health and safety, zoning and other matters. These regulations may impose restrictions on the Company's operations that could adversely affect the Company's results, such as limitations on the expansion of disposal facilities, limitations on or banning disposal of out-of-state waste or certain categories of waste, or mandates regarding the disposal of solid waste. Because of heightened public concern, companies in the waste management business, including the Company, may become subject to judicial and administrative proceedings involving federal, state or local agencies. These governmental agencies may seek to impose fines on the Company or to revoke or deny renewal

of the Company's operating permits or licenses for violations of environmental laws or regulations or to require the Company to remediate environmental problems at its sites or nearby properties, or resulting from its or its predecessors' transportation and collection operations, all of which could have a material adverse effect on the Company. The Company may also be subject to actions brought by individuals or community groups in connection with the permitting or licensing of its operations, any alleged violations of such permits and licenses, or other matters.

POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITY

The Company is subject to liability for environmental damage its landfills, transfer stations and collection operations have caused or may cause nearby landowners, particularly as a result of the contamination of drinking water sources or soil, including damage resulting from conditions existing prior to the acquisition of such assets or operations by the Company. The Company may also be subject to liability for any off-site environmental contamination caused by pollutants or hazardous substances the transportation, treatment or disposal of which was arranged for by the Company or the predecessor owner of operations or assets acquired by the Company. Any substantial liability for environmental damage could materially adversely affect the Company's operating results and financial condition.

DEBENTUREHOLDER CONSIDERATIONS ON CONVERSION OR REDEMPTION

On October 30, 1995, the closing price of the Common Stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange Composite Tape was \$20.75 per share. If a holder of \$1,000 principal amount of the Debentures on that date had converted such principal amount, such holder would have received Common Stock (and cash in lieu of a fractional share) having a market value equal to \$1,566.03, based on the closing price of \$20.75 per share. The market price of the Common Stock received upon conversion is subject to fluctuation, and such holder may incur various transaction costs if the Common Stock is sold. Holders of Debentures should obtain current information as to the market price of the Common Stock. So long as the market price of the Common Stock is greater than \$14.18 per share at the time of conversion, a holder of Debentures who exercises such holder's conversion rights will receive Common Stock with a market value, plus cash in lieu of any fractional share, greater than the amount of cash such holder would otherwise be entitled to receive upon the redemption of the Debentures, before deducting any applicable transfer taxes. See "Redemption of Debentures and Alternatives to Redemption."

USE OF PROCEEDS

The net proceeds from the sale of the Common Stock to the Purchaser pursuant to the arrangements described under "Standby Arrangements" will be used to redeem any Debentures not surrendered for conversion. Any other amounts received by the Company from the Purchaser pursuant to the profit-sharing arrangement described under "Standby Arrangements" will be used for general corporate purposes. The amount of such proceeds is not determinable at this time. The Company will not receive any cash proceeds from the issuance of Common Stock upon conversion of the Debentures.

REDEMPTION OF DEBENTURES AND ALTERNATIVES TO REDEMPTION

The Company has called for redemption at 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on December 11, 1995 (the "Redemption Date"), all of the Company's outstanding Debentures. As of October 25, 1995, \$42,032,000 principal amount of Debentures was outstanding.

The following alternatives are available to holders of Debentures:

1. Conversion into Common Stock. Convert the Debentures (or any portion thereof which is \$1,000 or an integral multiple thereof) into the Common Stock of the Company at a conversion price of \$13.25 of principal amount of Debentures per share of Common Stock or approximately 75.47 shares of Common Stock for each \$1,000 principal amount of Debentures. Cash will be paid in lieu of any fractional share in an amount equal to such fraction multiplied by the last reported sale price per share of Common Stock, regular way, on the day prior to the day of conversion or, if no such sale takes place on such day, the average of the reported closing bid and asked prices, regular way, on the NYSE. No payment or adjustment to the conversion price will be made on account of accrued interest on the Debentures. On October 30, 1995, the last reported sale price of the Common Stock on the NYSE Composite Tape was \$20.75 per share. On the basis of such last reported sale price of the Common Stock, 75.47 shares of the Common Stock had a value (including cash in lieu of any fractional share, determined as set forth above) of \$1,566.03. THE CONVERSION RIGHT EXPIRES AT 5:00 P.M., EASTERN TIME, ON DECEMBER 1, 1995.

Substantially all of the Debentures are currently held in book-entry form through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company (the "Depository"). Accordingly, in order for a beneficial owner of an interest in a Debenture to exercise such owner's conversion rights, such owner must comply with the procedures of the Depository, if a participant in the Depository (a "participant"), or if such owner is not a participant in the Depository, through the procedures of the participant through which such owner owns its interest in the Debentures, to effect a conversion.

The Company will decide, in its sole discretion, all questions as to the form of documents and the validity, eligibility (including time of receipt) and acceptance for conversion by the Company of any Debentures. Any defect or irregularity in the surrender or delivery of any document in connection with the conversion of Debentures may result in such Debentures not being converted into Common Stock and, therefore, being redeemed on the Redemption Date.

SINCE IT IS THE TIME OF ACTUAL RECEIPT THAT DETERMINES WHETHER DEBENTURES HAVE BEEN PROPERLY PRESENTED FOR CONVERSION, SUFFICIENT TIME SHOULD BE ALLOWED FOR A BOOK-ENTRY TRANSFER TO BE MADE, PRIOR TO 5:00 P.M., EASTERN TIME, ON DECEMBER 1, 1995. DEBENTURES NOT ACTUALLY RECEIVED FOR CONVERSION BY THE TRUSTEE PRIOR TO SUCH TIME WILL BE REDEEMED AS SET FORTH BELOW.

- 2. Sale in Open Market. Sell the Debentures in the open market at prevailing prices. Holders of Debentures who wish to sell their Debentures in the open market should consult with their own advisors regarding if and when they should sell their Debentures and the tax consequences thereof. Holders of Debentures may incur various fees and expenses in connection with any such sale.
- 3. Redemption. Surrender the Debentures for redemption. Pursuant to the terms of the Indenture between the Company and State Street Bank and Trust Company as successor to The First National Bank of Boston, as Trustee (the "Trustee"), dated as of September 1, 1992, holders of Debentures will be entitled to receive upon redemption 105.67% of the principal amount of Debentures, plus accrued interest thereon from October 15, 1995, to the Redemption Date (the "Redemption Price"). The holder of \$1,000 principal amount of Debentures redeemed at the Redemption Price would receive \$1,070.16 in cash. Payment of the Redemption Price will be made by the Trustee, as redemption agent, on and after the Redemption Date upon receipt of the Debentures. On and after the Redemption Date, interest will cease to accrue (unless the Company defaults in the payment of the Redemption Price) and holders of Debentures will not have any rights as such holders other than the right to receive the Redemption Price upon such surrender for redemption. All Debentures outstanding on the Redemption Date will be deemed to be redeemed by the

Company, whether or not they have been surrendered for redemption. Holders of Debentures should refer to the Notice of Redemption issued by the Trustee for information concerning how and where the Debentures are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price.

DEBENTURES NOT ACTUALLY RECEIVED FOR CONVERSION BY THE TRUSTEE PRIOR TO $5:00\ P.M.$, EASTERN TIME, ON DECEMBER 1, 1995, WILL BE REDEEMED AS SET FORTH ABOVE ON THE REDEMPTION DATE.

Based on the above-stated last reported sale price of the Common Stock on October 30, 1995, the market value of the Common Stock into which \$1,000 principal amount of Debentures is convertible (including cash in lieu of any fractional share, determined as set forth above) would be \$1,566.03, which amount is higher than the amount (\$1,070.16) to be received upon redemption. The market price of the Common Stock received upon conversion, however, is subject to fluctuation, and a holder of Debentures may incur various transaction costs if such Common Stock is sold. Holders of Debentures are urged to obtain current market quotations for the Common Stock.

SO LONG AS THE MARKET PRICE OF THE COMMON STOCK IS GREATER THAN \$14.18 PER SHARE AT THE TIME OF CONVERSION, A HOLDER OF DEBENTURES WHO CONVERTS HIS OR HER DEBENTURES WILL RECEIVE COMMON STOCK AND CASH IN LIEU OF ANY FRACTIONAL SHARE (DETERMINED AS SET FORTH ABOVE) WITH A MARKET VALUE GREATER THAN THE AMOUNT OF CASH RECEIVABLE UPON THE REDEMPTION OF THE DEBENTURES.

PRICE RANGE OF COMMON STOCK AND DIVIDENDS

The Common Stock is traded on the NYSE under the symbol "UW." Prior to July 20, 1993, the Common Stock was traded in the over-the-counter market and quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System ("Nasdaq/NMS"). The following table sets forth the high and low per share closing prices for the Common Stock for the calendar quarters indicated as reported on the NYSE for periods on and after July 20, 1993, and the high and low sales prices for the Common Stock as quoted on the Nasdaq/NMS for periods prior to July 20, 1993.

	HIGH	LOW
1993		
First Quarter	\$14.50	\$13.25
Second Quarter	13.75	11.75
Third Quarter	15.00	11.50
Fourth Quarter	12.50	9.75
1994		
First Quarter	\$15.00	\$11.38
Second Quarter	13.38	10.58
Third Quarter	15.13	11.50
Fourth Quarter	15.13	11.00
1995		
First Quarter	\$12.25	\$10.13
Second Quarter	16.00	11.50
Third Quarter	21.75	14.75
Fourth Quarter (through October 30,		
1995)	21.63	19.75

According to the Company's transfer agent, on September 30, 1995, there were 4,363 holders of record of the Company's Common Stock.

The Company has never paid cash dividends on its Common Stock. Envirofil paid dividends on its preferred stock prior to its acquisition by the Company; the holders of such preferred stock received Common Stock in such acquisition, and no dividends have been paid by the Company. The Board of Directors of the Company presently intends to retain any earnings in the foreseeable future for the Company's business. In addition, payment of dividends on the Common Stock is restricted by the terms of the Company's bank credit agreement.

CAPITALIZATION

The following table sets forth the current maturities of long-term debt and the total capitalization of the Company as of June 30, 1995 on an actual basis and (i) as adjusted to reflect (a) additional borrowings by the Company subsequent to June 30, 1995, of \$50.0 million under the Company's bank credit facility, (b) the sale of approximately 6.3 million shares of Common Stock in the 1995 Offering, the net proceeds from which, in the amount of approximately \$117.9 million, were used to repay indebtedness outstanding under the credit facility, (c) the issuance of 137,500 shares of Common Stock upon the exercise of stock purchase warrants, and (ii) as further adjusted to give effect to the retirement of the Debentures, assuming all Debentures are converted into shares of Common Stock.

AS	0F	JUNE	30,	1995

	AS OF JUNE 30, 1995		
	ACTUAL	AS ADJUSTED	AS FURTHER ADJUSTED
	(IN THOUSAN	DS)	
Current maturities of long-term debt	\$ 29,655	•	
Long-term debt:	=======	========	========
Revolving Loan Term Loan	230,000	\$ 31,612 202,620	\$ 31,612 202,620
Industrial Revenue Bonds	48, 995	80,500 48,995	80,500
Other long-term debt	14,775	14,775	14,775
Total long-term debt	444,270	378,502	329,507
Stockholders' equity: Common Stock, \$.01 par value, 150,000,000 shares authorized, 51,025,056, 57,508,181, and 61,205,916			
shares issued, respectively(2)	510	575	612
Additional paid-in capital	521,043	640,099	688,682
Accumulated deficit	(1,961)	(381,883) (1,961)	
Total stockholders' equity	137,709		305,450
Total capitalization	\$ 581,979	\$ 635,332	\$ 634,957

⁽¹⁾ As of October 25, 1995, an additional \$6,963,000 in principal amount of Debentures has been converted into Common Stock.

⁽²⁾ Excludes 5,142,089 shares issuable upon exercise of outstanding options and warrants at June $30,\ 1995.$

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA

The following selected consolidated financial data for the Company for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 1994, have been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company and for the three-month and six-month periods ended June 30, 1994 and 1995, have been derived from the unaudited consolidated financial statements of the Company. The summary consolidated financial data should be read in conjunction with the separate consolidated financial statements and the related notes thereto of the Company and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations incorporated by reference herein. See "Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference."

The data set forth below include the accounts of all companies acquired through June 30, 1995. Companies acquired in transactions accounted for as poolings of interests have been combined as though these companies had always been members of the same operating group. Accordingly, such data have been restated throughout all relevant periods reported. The accounts of businesses acquired in transactions accounted for as purchases are included from their respective dates of acquisition.

The unaudited data for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1994 and 1995, include, in the opinion of the Company's management, all adjustments (which include only normal recurring adjustments) necessary to present fairly the information for such periods. The results of operations of the interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the full year.

	FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30,		FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30,		
	1992	1993	1994	1994	1995	1994	1995
			(IN THOUSANDS,	EXCEPT PER S	HARE AMOUNTS)		
Statement of Operations Data: Operating revenues	\$351,359	\$382,234	\$ 434,224	\$113,514	\$111,229	\$211,485	\$212,471
Costs and expenses: Operating General and administrative Nonrecurring charges Merger costs Depreciation and amortization	75,426 51,047	217, 345 66, 968 2, 672 52, 222	257,370 71,500 8,863 3,782(1) 56,139	66,754 18,491 3,782(1) 14,795	63,597	124,987 34,626 3,782(1) 28,455	121,877 33,831 4,733 25,073(2) 27,201
	379,540	339,207	397,654	103,822	123,873	191,850	212,715
Income (loss) from operations	(28,181)	43,027	36,570	9,692	(12,644)(3)	19,635	(244)(3)
Other income (expense): Stockholder settlement and other litigation related costs Interest expense: Early redemption premiums, fees	(10,853)	(5,500)	(79,400)				
and nonrecurring interest Other	(35,840) 5,435	(35,975) 3,539 1,915	(1,254) (32,084) 2,641 1,877	(8,368) 820 381	(7,481) (7,890) 751 254	(16,507) 1,397 541	(10,994) (16,103) 1,483 1,367
Total other income (expense)		(36,021)	(108,940)	(7,167)	(14,366)	(14,569)	(24, 247)
Income (loss) before income taxes	(67,740) 479	7,066 6,018	(72,370) 3,908	2,525 729	(27,010) 829	5,066 2,148	(24,491) 3,166
Income (loss) from continuing operations(Loss) from discontinued operations		988	(76,278)	1,796	(27,839)	2,918	(27,657)
Gain on discontinued operations, net of income taxes Extraordinary income from forgiveness of debt, net of							
income taxes	10,066						
Net income (loss)	(57,724)	988 582	(76,278) 565	1,796 185	(27,839)(5)	2,918 565	(27,657)(5)
Income (loss) available to common shareholders	\$(57,876) ======	\$ 406 ======	\$ (76,843) ======	\$ 1,611 ======	\$(27,839) ======	\$ 2,353 ======	\$(27,657) ======
<pre>Income (loss) from continuing operations per share</pre>		\$ 0.01	\$ (1.55)	\$ 0.03	\$ (0.54)	\$ 0.05	\$ (0.54)
Income (loss) per common share	\$ (1.36) =======	======= \$ 0.01 ======	======= \$ (1.55) =======	\$ 0.03 ======	======= \$ (0.54) =======	======= \$ 0.05 ======	====== \$ (0.54) ======
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares		45,885 ======	49,671 ======	49,199 ======	51,704 ======	48,880 =====	51,409 ======

	AS OF JUNE	30, 1995
	ACTUAL	AS FURTHER ADJUSTED(6)
Balance Sheet Data:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 41,710 4,404	\$ 42,608 7,385
Total assets Long-term debt, excluding current maturities	813,708 444,270	814,606 329,507
Stockholders' equity	137,709	305,450

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- Reflects nonrecurring costs related to the merger of the Company and Envirofil, Inc. on May 27, 1994.
- (2) Reflects nonrecurring costs related to the Chambers Merger, consisting of transaction costs (\$11.9 million), severance and other termination benefits (\$9.5 million), and nonrecurring costs relating to the integration of the operations of the combined companies (\$3.7 million).
- (3) Income (loss) from operations excluding unusual items and merger costs was \$16.5 million and \$29.6 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 1995, respectively.
- (4) The Company may utilize Chambers' net operating loss carryforwards to offset future income for federal income tax purposes. As a result of an issuance of Common Stock in connection with one of the acquisitions in August 1995, an "ownership change" within the meaning of Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, occurred, which will limit the Company's potential utilization of Chambers' net operating loss carry forwards to a maximum of approximately \$32 million on an annual basis. In connection with the settlement relating to certain stockholder litigation of Chambers, the Company made a settlement payment of \$75.6 million for the benefit of certain Chambers stockholders. The portion of such payment that is not characterized as a return of capital to such stockholders may be available as a deduction to the Company to offset taxable income.
- (5) Net income (loss) before unusual items, merger costs and early redemption premiums, fees and nonrecurring interest was \$7.7 million and \$11.6 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 1995, respectively.
- (6) Adjusted to reflect (i) additional borrowings by the Company subsequent to June 30, 1995, of \$50.0 million under the Company's bank credit facility, (ii) the sale of approximately 6.3 million shares of Common Stock in the 1995 Offering, the net proceeds from which in the amount of approximately \$117.9 million, were used to repay indebtedness outstanding under the credit facility, (iii) the receipt of approximately \$1.3 million by the Company in connection with the issuance of 137,500 shares of Common Stock upon the exercise of stock purchase warrants, and (iv) the effect of retirement of the Debentures, assuming all Debentures are converted to Common Stock. See "Capitalization."

CERTAIN FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The following is a general summary of certain anticipated United States federal income tax consequences to a holder of Debentures of the conversion, redemption, or sale of the Debentures. It deals only with Debentures held as capital assets and not with special classes of holders, such as dealers in securities or currencies, banks, tax-exempt organizations, life insurance companies, persons that hold Debentures that are a hedge or that are hedged against currency risks or that are part of a straddle or conversion transaction, persons that are not United States holders, or persons whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar. A United States holder is a beneficial owner that is (i) a citizen or resident of the United States, (ii) a domestic corporation, or (iii) otherwise subject to United States federal income taxation on a net income basis in respect of a Debenture. The summary is based on the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), its legislative history, existing and proposed regulations thereunder, published rulings and court decisions, all as currently in effect and all subject to change at any time, perhaps with retroactive effect. The Company has not requested a ruling from the Internal Revenue Service (the "Service") with respect to the matters discussed herein.

HOLDERS OF DEBENTURES SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS CONCERNING THE CONSEQUENCES, IN THEIR PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES, UNDER THE CODE AND THE LAWS OF ANY OTHER TAXING JURISDICTION, OF THE CONVERSION, SALE, OR REDEMPTION OF THE DEBENTURES.

CONVERSION

In general, no gain or loss should be recognized by a holder of Debentures upon the conversion of a Debenture into Common Stock of the Company, except to the extent of any gain realized upon the receipt of cash in lieu of fractional shares. A Debentureholder's basis in the Common Stock received on conversion (including any fractional shares, which are deemed received and immediately disposed of) generally will equal such holder's basis at the time of conversion in the Debenture converted. A Debentureholder's holding period for the Common Stock received on conversion will include such holder's holding period of the Debenture converted.

SALE OR REDEMPTION

In general, the sale or redemption of a Debenture will result in the recognition of gain or loss to a holder of Debentures in an amount equal to the difference between (i) the cash received in exchange for the Debenture less the amount attributable to accrued interest not previously included in income (which amount is taxable as ordinary income) and (ii) such holder's adjusted tax basis in the Debentures. Except as discussed below under "Market Discount," such gain or loss will be a capital gain or loss and will be long-term gain or loss if, at the time of such disposition, the Debentures had been held for more than one year.

MARKET DISCOUNT

Special rules will apply to Debentures acquired with market discount. A market discount note is, generally, a Debenture the stated redemption price at maturity of which exceeds the Debentureholder's basis in the Debenture immediately after acquisition. Generally, any gain recognized on the sale or redemption of a market discount Debenture will be treated as ordinary income to the extent of the accrued market discount on such note not previously included in income. Market discount accrues either ratably or at a constant yield to maturity, at the election of the Debentureholder. A holder of a market discount Debenture also may elect to take market discount into income as it accrues.

Although the matter is not free from doubt, a holder of a Debenture with market discount should not have to recognize income on the conversion of the Debenture, even with respect to market discount that has accrued but has not been taken into account. Market discount not recognized on conversion will carry over to the Common Stock acquired upon conversion thereof and will be recognized as ordinary income to the extent of gain recognized upon the disposition of such Common Stock, including any deemed disposition of fractional shares of Common Stock for cash at the time of conversion.

BACKUP WITHHOLDING

In general, backup withholding at a rate of 31% will apply to payments of the proceeds of a sale, redemption or conversion of a Debenture if the holder is not an "exempt recipient" and fails to provide an accurate taxpayer identification number or to report all interest and dividends required to be shown on its federal income tax returns. Individuals generally are not exempt recipients, whereas corporations and certain other entities generally are exempt recipients. To prevent backup withholding from the payment of cash in lieu of a fractional share or the payment of the Redemption Price, any holder (other than an exempt payee such as a corporation or tax-exempt organization) who has not previously provided a valid IRS Form W-9 relating to the holder's Debentures should provide a completed Form W-9 upon surrendering Debentures for conversion or redemption.

DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

The Company is authorized to issue 150,000,000 shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of which 53,848,249 shares were outstanding at September 30, 1995. The Company is also authorized to issue 10,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock, \$.01 par value (the "Preferred Stock"), none of which are outstanding.

COMMON STOCK

Each holder of Common Stock is entitled to one vote per share held of record on each matter submitted to stockholders. Cumulative voting for the election of directors is not permitted, and the holders of a majority of shares voting for the election of directors can elect all members of the Board of Directors.

Subject to the rights of any holders of Preferred Stock, holders of record of shares of Common Stock are entitled to receive ratably dividends when and if declared by the Board of Directors out of funds of the Company legally available therefor. In the event of a voluntary or involuntary winding up or dissolution, liquidation, or partial liquidation of the Company, holders of Common Stock are entitled to participate ratably in any distribution of the assets of the Company, subject to any prior rights of holders of any outstanding Preferred Stock.

Holders of Common Stock have no conversion, redemption, or preemptive rights. All outstanding shares of Common Stock are, and the Shares offered hereby will be, upon issuance and sale, validly issued, fully paid, and nonassessable.

PREFERRED STOCK

The Board of Directors is authorized, without further approval of the stockholders, to issue the Preferred Stock in series and with respect to each series, to fix its designations, relative rights (including voting, dividend, conversion, sinking fund, and redemption rights), preferences (including with respect to dividends and upon liquidation), privileges, and limitations. The Board of Directors of the Company, without stockholder approval, may issue Preferred Stock with voting and conversion rights, both of which could adversely affect the voting power of the holders of Common Stock, and dividend or liquidation preferences that would restrict Common Stock dividends or adversely affect the assets available for distribution to holders of shares of Common Stock upon the Company's dissolution.

AUTHORIZED BUT UNISSUED SHARES

Authorized but unissued shares of Common Stock or Preferred Stock can be reserved for issuance by the Board of Directors from time to time without further stockholder action for proper corporate purposes, including stock dividends or stock splits, raising equity capital, and structuring future corporate transactions, including acquisitions.

TRANSFER AGENT AND REGISTRAR

The transfer agent and registrar for the Common Stock is The First National Bank of Boston, Boston, Massachusetts.

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The Certificate of Incorporation of the Company provides that the directors of the Company shall not be liable to the Company or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "DGCL"). The foregoing limitation does not eliminate or limit the liability of a director for any breach of a director's duty of loyalty to the Company or its stockholders, for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involved intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit, or for approval of the unlawful payment of a dividend or an unlawful stock purchase or redemption. The Certificate of Incorporation of the Company also provides that the Company shall indemnify, and advance litigation expenses to, its officers, directors, employees, and agents to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL and all other laws of the State of Delaware.

The DGCL provides that the Company has the power to indemnify any person who is sued or threatened to be made a named party in a proceeding, other than an action by or in the right of the Company, because such person is or was a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Company or is or was serving at the request of the Company as a director, officer, employee, or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise, against expenses actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such proceeding. In order to be indemnified, the person must have (1) acted in good faith; (2) acted in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Company; and (3) with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. The indemnification includes attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, and amounts paid in settlement.

The DGCL also provides that the Company may indemnify any person who is sued or threatened to be made a named party in a proceeding by or in the right of the Company to procure a judgment in its favor because such person is or was a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Company, or is or was serving at the request of the Company as a director, officer, employee, or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise. In order to be indemnified, the person must have conducted himself in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Company. No indemnification may be made, however, with respect to any claim, issue, or matter as to which such person shall have been judged to be liable to the Company unless and only to the extent that the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnification for such expenses which the court shall deem proper.

Indemnification by the Company is subject to a determination that the director, officer, employee, or agent has met the applicable standard of conduct. The determination must be made (1) by a majority vote of a quorum of the Board of Directors, consisting only of directors who were not parties to such action, suit or proceeding; (2) if such a quorum cannot be obtained, or even if obtainable, if a quorum of disinterested directors so directs, by independent legal counsel in a written opinion; or (3) by the stockholders of the Company.

The Company has entered into an Indemnification Agreement with each of its directors and executive officers (the "Indemnitees") pursuant to which the Company has agreed to indemnify and hold each of the Indemnitees harmless from and against all expenses, including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel, and all liabilities, including the amounts of any judgments, fines, penalties, excise taxes, and amounts paid in settlement actually incurred by an Indemnitee in connection with any threatened, pending or completed claim, action (including any action by or in the right of the Company), suit, or proceeding (whether formal or informal, or civil, criminal, administrative, legislative, arbitrative, or investigative) in respect of which the Indemnitee is, was, or at any time becomes, or is threatened to be made, a party, witness, subject, or target, by reason of the fact that the Indemnitee is or was an authorized representative of the Company; provided,

however, no indemnity shall be paid on account of the Indemnitee's conduct that is finally adjudged to constitute willful misconduct or to have been knowingly fraudulent, deliberately dishonest, or from which the Indemnitee derives an improper personal benefit.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers, or person controlling the Company pursuant to the foregoing provisions, the Company has been informed that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is therefore unenforceable.

STANDBY ARRANGEMENTS

Under the terms and subject to the conditions of a Standby Agreement (the "Standby Agreement"), Sanders Morris Mundy Inc. (the "Purchaser") has agreed to purchase from the Company the Redemption Shares.

The Purchaser may purchase Debentures in the market or otherwise prior to the Expiration Date and has agreed to convert into Common Stock all of the Debentures which it so purchases.

The Company has been advised that the Purchaser proposes to offer any Common Stock purchased from the Company or acquired on conversion by the Purchaser of Debentures for resale as set forth on the cover page of this Prospectus. The Purchaser may also make sales to certain securities dealers at prices which may reflect concessions from the prices at which the shares are then being offered to the public. The amount of such concessions will be determined from time to time by the Purchaser. The sales of Common Stock so offered are offered by the Purchaser subject to prior sale, when, as, and if received by the Purchaser, and subject to its right to reject orders in whole or in part. The Purchaser has agreed to remit to the Company not less than 75% of the amount, if any, by which the aggregate net proceeds received by the Purchaser from sales of the Shares exceeds the Redemption Price of the Shares if the number of Redemption Shares is equal to or less than 369,811 and not less than 50% of the amount, if any, by which the aggregate net proceeds received by the Purchaser from sales of the Shares exceeds the Redemption Price of the Shares if the number of Redemption Shares is greater than 369,811.

Pursuant to the Standby Agreement, the Company has agreed to pay to the Purchaser for the commitments undertaken by it under the Standby Agreement (i) \$200,000 (the "Standby Fee"), (ii) the Purchaser's out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection herewith, including fees and disbursements of counsel, and (iii) \$.40 per share for each share of Common Stock purchased by the Purchaser pursuant to the Standby Agreement. If the Purchaser does not purchase any Shares, in addition to paying the Purchaser the Standby Fee the Company has agreed to reimburse the Purchaser for the fees and disbursements of its counsel.

During the period beginning from the date of this Prospectus and continuing to and including the Redemption Date, and, if the Purchaser purchases any Shares, further continuing and including the date ending 90 days after the Redemption Date, the Company has agreed not to offer, sell, contract to sell or otherwise dispose of, any shares of Common Stock of the Company, any securities of the Company substantially similar to the Common Stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for shares of Common Stock or any such substantially similar security (except for any securities, issued, offered, sold or disposed of by the Company to its stock option and other benefit plans maintained for its officers, directors, and employees or Common Stock issued or distributed in connection with the conversion of any security of the Company outstanding on the date of the Prospectus) without the Purchaser's prior written consent.

The Company has agreed to indemnify the Purchaser against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act or to contribute to payments the Purchaser may be required to make in respect thereof.

The Purchaser may assist in the solicitation of conversions by holders of Debentures but will receive no commission therefor.

Purchaser has from time to time performed various investment banking and other financial services for the Company, for which it has received customary compensation. These services have included acting as a

managing underwriter of the public offering of the Debentures. Two of the Company's directors, John E. Drury and George L. Ball, are directors and shareholders of the Purchaser.

LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the shares of Common Stock offered hereby will be passed upon for the Company by Snell & Smith, A Professional Corporation, Houston, Texas.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of the Company (i) as of December 31, 1993 and 1994, and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 1994, which are included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1994, as amended by Form 10-K/A, and are included and incorporated by reference into the Company's Joint Proxy Statement and Prospectus dated May 19, 1995, and (ii) the supplemental consolidated financial statements of the Company as of December 31, 1993 and 1994, and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 1994, which are included in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated June 30, 1995, incorporated in this Prospectus by reference have been audited by Coopers & Lybrand L.L.P., independent accountants, given on the authority of that firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

The consolidated financial statements of Envirofil for the year ended June 30, 1993 incorporated by reference in this Prospectus, and the combined financial statements of the Acquired New Jersey Solid Waste Companies as of December 31, 1992 and 1993 and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 1993, incorporated into this Prospectus by reference to Envirofil's Form 8-K filed with the Commission on February 28, 1994, as amended by Envirofil's Form 8-K/A filed with the Commission on May 11, 1994, have been incorporated by reference herein in reliance upon the reports of Arthur Andersen LLP, independent public accountants, given on the authority of that firm as experts in accounting and auditing in giving said reports.

The consolidated financial statements of Chambers at December 31, 1993 and 1994, and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 1994, incorporated by reference in this Prospectus from the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated June 30, 1995, have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, independent auditors, as stated in their reports (which contain an explanatory paragraph describing a change in the method of accounting for contributions), which are incorporated by reference herein, and have been so incorporated in reliance upon the reports of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

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INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

ITEM 14. OTHER EXPENSES OF ISSUANCE AND DISTRIBUTION.

Securities and Exchange Commission registration fees	\$ 22,698
NYSE fees	10,000*
Trustees' and transfer agent fees	
Printing and engraving	50,000*
Legal services	20,000*
Accounting services	25,000*
Blue sky fees and expenses	500*
Miscellaneous expenses	
Total	\$175,000*
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* Estimated

ITEM 15. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.

Section 102(b)(7) of the Delaware General Corporation Law provides that the certificate of incorporation of a Delaware corporation may contain a provision eliminating or limiting the personal liability of a director to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, provided that such provision shall not eliminate or limit the liability of a director: (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involved intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) under Section 174 of this title, or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit. No such provision shall eliminate or limit the liability of a director for any act or omission occurring prior to the date when such provision becomes effective.

The Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the registrant includes the following provisions:

Seventh: No director of the Corporation shall be personally liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, provided that this provision shall not eliminate or limit the liability of a director for liability (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) under Section 174 of the General Corporation Law of Delaware or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit. If the General Corporation Law of Delaware hereafter is amended to authorize the further elimination or limitation of the liability of directors, then the liability of a director of the Corporation, in addition to the limitation on personal liability provided herein, shall be limited to the fullest extent permitted by the amended General Corporation Law of Delaware. Any repeal or modification of this paragraph by the stockholders of the Corporation shall be prospective only, and shall not adversely affect any limitation on the personal liability of a director of the Corporation existing at the time of such repeal or modification. Neither this Restated Certificate of Incorporation nor any amendment, alteration, or repeal of this Article, nor the adoption of any provision of the Restated Certificate of Incorporation inconsistent with this Article, shall adversely effect, eliminate, or reduce any right or protection of a director of the Corporation hereunder with respect to any act, omission or matter occurring, or any action, suit, or claim that, but for this Article, would accrue or arise, prior to the time of such amendment, modification, repeal, or adoption of an inconsistent provision. All references in this Article to a "director" shall also be deemed to refer to such person or persons, if any, who pursuant to a provision of the Restated Certificate of Incorporation in accordance with subsection (a) of Section 141 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, exercise or perform any of the powers or duties otherwise conferred or imposed upon the board of directors by the Delaware General Corporation Law.

Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law provides as follows:

- 145. INDEMNIFICATION OF OFFICERS DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS; INSURANCE. -- (a) A corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation), by reason of the fact that he is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys fees), judgments, fines, and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner which he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful.
- (b) A corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that he is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee, or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against expenses (including attorneys' actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation and except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless and only to the extent that the Court of Chancery or the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the Court of Chancery or such other court shall deem proper.
- (c) To the extent that a director, officer, employee or agent of a corporation has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any action, suit or proceeding referred to in subsection (a) or (b) of this section, or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, he shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' fees), actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection therewith.
- (d) Any indemnification under the provisions of subsection (a) or (b) of this section (unless ordered by a court) shall be made by the corporation only as authorized in the specific case upon a determination that indemnification of the director, officer, employee or agent is proper in the circumstances because he has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in subsection (a) or (b) of this section. Such determination shall be made (1) by a majority vote of directors who were not parties to such action suit or proceeding even though less than a quorum, or (2) if there are no such directors, or if such directors so direct, by independent legal counsel in a written opinion, or (3) by the stockholders.
- (e) Expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred by an officer or director in defending any civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative action, suit or proceeding may be paid by the corporation in advance of the final disposition of such action, suit or proceeding upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of such director or officer to repay such amount if it shall ultimately be determined that he is not entitled to be indemnified by the corporation as authorized by the provisions of this section. Such expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred by other employees and agents may be so paid upon such terms and conditions, if any, as the board of directors deems appropriate.
- (f) The indemnification and advancement of expense provided by, or granted pursuant to, the other subsections of this section shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which those seeking indemnification or advancement of expenses may be entitled under any bylaw, agreement, vote of stockholders

or disinterested directors or otherwise, both as to action in his official capacity and as to action in another capacity while holding such office.

- (g) A corporation shall have power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was servicing at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any liability asserted against him and incurred by him in any such capacity, or arising out of his status as such, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify him against such liability under the provisions of this section.
- (h) For purposes of this section, references to "the corporation" shall include, in addition to the resulting corporation, any constituent corporation (including any constituent of a constituent) absorbed in a consolidation or merger which, if its separate existence had continued, would have had power and authority to indemnify its directors, officers, and employees or agents, so that any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of such constituent corporation, or is or was serving at the request of such constituent corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, shall stand in the same position under the provisions of this section with respect to the resulting or surviving corporation as he would have with respect to such constituent corporation if its separate existence had continued.
- (i) For purposes of this section, references to "other enterprises" shall include employee benefit plans; references to "fines" shall include any excise taxes assessed on a person with respect to an employee benefit plan; and references to "serving at the request of the corporation" shall include any service as a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation which imposes duties on, or involves services, by such director, officer, employee, or agent with respect to an employee benefit plan, its participants, or beneficiaries; and a person who acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in the interest of the participants and beneficiaries of an employee benefit plan shall be deemed to have acted in a manner "not opposed to the best interests of the corporation" as referred to in this section.
- (j) The indemnification and advancement of expenses provided by, or granted pursuant to, this section, unless otherwise provided when authorized or ratified, shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee or agent and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of such a person.
- (k) The Court of Chancery is hereby vested with exclusive jurisdiction to hear and determine all actions for advancement of expenses or indemnification brought under this section or under any bylaw, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors, or otherwise. The Court of Chancery may summarily determine a corporation's obligation to advance expenses (including attorneys' fees).

The Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the registrant includes the following provision:

Eighth: This Corporation shall, to the maximum extent permitted from time to time under the law of the State of Delaware, indemnify and upon request shall advance expenses to any person who is or was a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit, proceeding or claim, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, by reason of the fact that such person is or was or has agreed to be a director or officer of this Corporation or any of its direct or indirect subsidiaries or while such a director or officer is or was serving at the request of this Corporation as a director, officer, partner, trustee, employee or agent of any corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, against expenses (including attorney's fees and expenses), judgments, fines, penalties and amounts paid in settlement incurred in connection with the investigation, preparation to defend or defense of such action, suit, proceeding or claim; provided, however, that the foregoing shall not require this Corporation to indemnify or advance expenses to any person in connection with any action, suit, proceeding, claim or counterclaim initiated by or on behalf of such person. Such indemnification shall not be exclusive of other indemnification rights arising under any bylaws, agreement, vote of directors or stockholders or otherwise and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs and legal representatives of such person. Any person seeking

indemnification under this Article shall be deemed to have met the standard of conduct required for such indemnification unless the contrary shall be established.

The Bylaws of the registrant include indemnification provisions that generally provide indemnification to directors and officers of the registrant in the manner and to the extent permitted by Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law. However, the provisions corresponding to subsections 145(a) and (b) are mandatory rather than permissive.

The registrant has entered into Indemnification Agreements with each of its directors and executive officers. Such Indemnification Agreements provide that such persons (the "Indemnitees") will be indemnified and held harmless from all expenses, including (without limitation) reasonable fees and expenses of counsel, and all liabilities, including (without limitation) the amount of any judgments, fines, penalties, excise taxes and amounts paid in settlement, actually incurred by an Indemnitee with respect to any threatened, pending or completed claim, action (including any action by or in the right of the registrant), suit or proceeding (whether formal or informal, or civil, criminal, administrative, legislative, arbitrative or investigative) in respect of which such Indemnitee is, was or at any time becomes, or is threatened to be made, a party, witness, subject or target, by reason of the fact that such Indemnitee is or was a director, officer, agent or fiduciary of the registrant or serving at the request of the registrant as a director, officer, employee, fiduciary or representative of another enterprise. Such Indemnification Agreements also provide that the registrant, if requested to do so by an Indemnitee, will advance to such Indemnitee, prior to final disposition of any proceeding, the expenses actually incurred by the Indemnitee subject to the obligation of the Indemnitee to refund if it is ultimately determined that such Indemnitee was not entitled to indemnification.

The Company has a directors and officers reimbursement and liability insurance policy that insures the Company's directors and officers against certain liabilities.

The Standby Agreement filed as Exhibit 1.1 to this Registration Statement provides for indemnification and contribution by the Purchaser with respect to certain liabilities of the registrant, its directors, officers, and other controlling persons, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933.

ITEM 16. EXHIBITS.

-- Form of Standby Agreement. *1.1 Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant [Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of the Registrant's Registration Statement 4.1 on Form S-4, File No. 33-60103]. Bylaws of the Registrant [Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 of 4.2 the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-4, File No. 33-60103]. Indenture dated September 1, 1992 (including form of Debenture), between the Registrant and The First National Bank of Boston, as 4.3 Trustee, with respect to the 8 1/2% Convertible Subordinated Debentures Due 2002 [Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1, File No. 33-50918]. *5.1 Opinion of Snell & Smith, A Professional Corporation. Consent of Snell & Smith, A Professional Corporation [Included in *23.1 Exhibit 5.1]. *23 2 Consent of Coopers & Lybrand L.L.P. Consent of Arthur Andersen LLP. Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP. *23.3 *23.4 - -*24.1 Powers of Attorney (Included on Page II-8). *99.1 Notice of Redemption of Debentures.

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* Filed herewith

ITEM 17. UNDERTAKINGS.

- (a) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:
 - (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement.
 - (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;
 - (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement;
 - (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

Provided, however, that paragraph (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) shall not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered herein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (e) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes to deliver or cause to be delivered with the prospectus, to each person to whom the prospectus is sent or given, the latest annual report to security holders that is incorporated by reference and furnished pursuant to and meeting the requirements of Rule 14a-3 or Rule 14c-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and, where interim financial information required to be presented by Article 3 of Regulation S-X is not set forth in the prospectus, to deliver, or cause to be delivered to each person to whom the prospectus is sent or given, the latest quarterly report that is specifically incorporated by reference in the prospectus to provide such interim financial information.
- (h) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Act") may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim or indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been

settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this registration statement or amendment thereto to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Dallas, State of Texas on October 31, 1995.

USA WASTE SERVICES, INC.

By: /s/ JOHN E. DRURY

John E. Drury, Chief Executive

Officer

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

We, the undersigned officers and directors of USA Waste Services, Inc., hereby severally constitute Earl E. DeFrates and Gregory T. Sangalis, and each of them singly, our true and lawful attorneys with full power to them, and each of them singly, to sign for us and in our names, in the capacities indicated below, the Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed herewith and any amendments to said Registration Statement, and generally to do all such things in our name and behalf in our capacities as officers and directors to enable USA Waste Services, Inc. to comply with the provisions of the Securities Act of 1933 as amended, and all requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission, hereby ratifying and confirming our signatures as they may be signed by our said attorneys, or any of them, to said Registration Statement and any and all amendments thereto.

Witness our hands on the date set forth below.

STONATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement or amendment thereto has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on October 31, 1995.

SIGNATURE	TITLE
/s/ JOHN E. DRURY John E. Drury	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer
/s/ DONALD F. MOOREHEAD, JR.	Vice Chairman of the Board and Chief Development Officer
Donald F. Moorehead, Jr.	
/s/ DAVID SUTHERLAND-YOEST	President, Chief Operating Officer, and Director
David Sutherland-Yoest	
/s/ EARL E. DEFRATES	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
Earl E. DeFrates	
/s/ BRUCE E. SNYDER	Vice President and Corporate Controller (Chief Accounting Officer)
Bruce E. Snyder	(Onio: Adodancing Officer)
/s/ JOHN G. RANGOS, SR.	Vice Chairman of the Board
John G. Rangos, Sr.	
/s/ ALEXANDER W. RANGOS	Executive Vice President for Development and Director
Alexander W. Rangos	21. 0000.
/s/ GEORGE L. BALL	Director
George L. Ball	
/s/ RICHARD J. HECKMANN	Director
Richard J. Heckmann	
/s/ WILLIAM E. MOFFETT	Director
William E. Moffett	
/s/ PETER J. GIBBONS	Director
Peter J. Gibbons	

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USA WASTE SERVICES, INC.

COMMON STOCK

(PAR VALUE \$.01 PER SHARE)

STANDBY AGREEMENT

November 1, 1995

Sanders Morris Mundy Inc. 3100 Texas Commerce Tower Houston, Texas 77002

Dear Sirs:

USA Waste Services, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), proposes, subject to the terms and conditions stated herein, to redeem on December 11, 1995 (the "Redemption Date") all of its outstanding 8-1/2% Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2002 (the "Securities"), which are convertible into shares (the "Conversion Shares") of Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), of the Company, at a redemption price of 105.67% of the principal amount of Securities plus accrued interest thereon from Ocotber 15, 1995, to the Redemption Date (the "Redemption Price"). The right to convert such Securities into Common Stock will expire at the close of business on December 1, 1995 (the "Expiration Date").

The Company desires to make arrangements pursuant to which the Company will have the option to sell directly to Sanders Morris Mundy Inc. (the "Purchaser") such number of shares of Common Stock (the "Redemption Shares") equal to the number of shares of Common Stock that would have been issuable upon conversion of the Securities that are not surrendered for conversion on or prior to the close of business on the Expiration Date.

- (a) A registration statement in respect of the Redemption Shares has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"); no other document with respect to such registration statement or document incorporated by reference therein has heretofore been filed or transmitted for filing with the Commission; the various parts of such registration statement, including all exhibits thereto, and including the documents incorporated by reference in the prospectus contained in the registration statement at the time such registration statement became or becomes effective, each as amended at the time such registration statement became or becomes effective, being hereinafter called the "Registration Statement"; and the prospectus on file with the Commission at the time the Registration Statement became or becomes effective being hereinafter called the "Prospectus;" and any reference herein to the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include the documents incorporated by reference therein pursuant to Item 12 of Form S-3 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"); any reference to any amendment or supplement to the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include any documents filed after the date of such Prospectus, under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and incorporated by reference in such Prospectus; and any reference to any amendment to the Registration Statement shall be deemed to refer to and include any annual report of the Company filed pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the effective date of the Registration Statement that is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement;
- (b) The documents incorporated by reference in the Prospectus, when they were filed with the Commission, conformed in all material respects to the requirements of the Act or the Exchange Act, as applicable, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder, and none of such documents at such filing date contained an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; and any further documents so filed and incorporated by reference in the Prospectus or any further amendment or supplement thereto, when such documents become effective or are filed with the Commission, as the case may be, will conform in all material respects to the requirements of the Act or the Exchange Act, as applicable, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder and will not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; provided, however, that this representation and warranty shall not apply to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Company by the Purchaser expressly for use therein:
- (c) The Registration Statement conforms, and the Prospectus and any further amendments or supplements to the Registration Statement or the Prospectus did or will, at the time of effectiveness or filing with the Commission, as the case may be, conform, in all material respects to the requirements of the Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder and do not and will not, as of the applicable effective date as to the Registration Statement and any amendment thereto and as of the applicable filing date as to the Prospectus and any amendment or supplement thereto, contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; provided, however, that this representation and warranty shall not apply to any

- 3 statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Company by the Purchaser expressly for use therein;
- (d) Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has sustained since the date of the latest audited financial statements included or incorporated by reference in the Prospectus any material loss or interference with its businesses from fire, explosion, flood, or other calamity, whether or not covered by insurance, or from any material labor dispute or court or governmental action, order, or decree, otherwise than as set forth or contemplated in the Prospectus; and, since the respective dates as of which information is given in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus, there has not been any material change in the capital stock or long-term debt of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any material adverse change, or any development involving a prospective material adverse change, in or affecting the general affairs, management, financial position, stockholders' equity, or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, otherwise than as set forth or contemplated in the Prospectus;
- (e) The Company and its subsidiaries have good and marketable title in fee simple to all real property and good and marketable title to all personal property owned by them, in each case free and clear of all liens, encumbrances and defects except such as are described in the Prospectus or such as do not materially affect the value of such property and do not materially interfere with the use made and proposed to be made of such property by the Company and its subsidiaries; and any real property and buildings held under lease by the Company and its subsidiaries are held by them under valid, subsisting and enforceable leases with such exceptions as are not material and do not materially interfere with the use made and proposed to be made of such property and buildings by the Company and its subsidiaries;
- (f) The Company has been duly incorporated and is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, with power and authority (corporate and other) to own its properties and conduct its business as described in the Prospectus, and has been duly qualified as a foreign corporation for the transaction of business and is in good standing under the laws of each other jurisdiction in which it owns or leases properties, or conducts any business, so as to require such qualification, or is subject to no material liability or disability by reason of the failure to be so qualified in any such jurisdiction; and each subsidiary of the Company has been duly incorporated and is validly existing as a corporation and is in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation;
- (g) The Company has an authorized capitalization as set forth in the Prospectus, and all of the issued shares of capital stock of the Company have been duly and validly authorized and issued, are fully paid and non-assessable and conform to the description of the Common Stock contained in the Prospectus; the Conversion Shares have been duly and validly authorized and reserved for issuance; the Conversion Shares, when issued and delivered in accordance with the provisions of the Securities and the Indenture dated as of September 1, 1992 (the "Indenture"), between the Company and The First National Bank of Boston, as Trustee (the "Trustee"), and the Redemption Shares, when issued and delivered upon sale by the Company to the Purchaser as herein provided, will be duly and validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable and will conform to the description of the Common Stock contained in the Prospectus; the Company's

stockholders have no preemptive rights with respect to the Common Stock; and all of the issued shares of capital stock of each subsidiary of the Company have been duly and validly authorized and issued, are fully paid and non-assessable and are owned directly or indirectly by the Company, free and clear of all liens, encumbrances, equities or claims, other than liens arising under the Revolving Credit and Term Loan Agreement dated as of June 30, 1995, among the Company and the financial institutions named therein;

- (h) At the close of business on October 30, 1995, \$48,060,000 principal amount of the Securities was outstanding; the Company has duly authorized the redemption of all outstanding Securities on the Redemption Date at the Redemption Price and the Company has taken all action required to be taken through the date hereof under the terms of the Securities, the Indenture and otherwise to effect such redemption; the Securities are, and will continue to be, convertible into the Conversion Shares at the conversion price of \$13.25 per share of Common Stock by surrender of Securities to the Trustee prior to the close of business on the Expiration Date, at which time the conversion right will expire;
- (i) The redemption of the Securities, the issuance and sale of the Conversion Shares upon conversion of the Securities and the Redemption Shares upon the sale by the Company to the Purchaser as herein provided, and the compliance by the Company with all of the provisions of this Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated herein will not conflict with or result in a breach or violation of any of the terms or provisions of, or constitute a default under, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement or other agreement or instrument to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a party or by which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is bound or to which any of the property or assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is subject; nor will such actions result in any violation of the provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation, as amended, or the Bylaws of the Company; nor will such actions result in a violation of any statute or any order, rule or regulation of any court or governmental agency or body having jurisdiction over the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any of their properties; and no consent, approval, authorization, order, registration or qualification of or with any such court or governmental agency or body is required for the redemption of the Securities, the issuance of the Conversion Shares upon conversion of the Securities or the Redemption Shares upon the sale by the Company to the Purchaser as herein provided, or the consummation by the Company of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement except registration of the Redemption Shares under the Act, which will have been completed on the date hereof, listing of the Redemption Shares on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"), which will be completed prior to the Time of Delivery (as defined in Section 2), and such consents, approvals, authorizations, registrations or qualifications as may be required under state securities or Blue Sky laws in connection with the purchase and distribution of the Redemption Shares by the Purchaser as herein provided;
- (j) Other than as set forth or contemplated in the Prospectus, there are no legal or governmental proceedings pending to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a party or of which any property of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is the subject with respect to which there is a reasonable likelihood of a determination that would individually or in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial position, stockholders'

contemplated by governmental authorities or threatened by others;

- (k) The Company is not subject to regulation under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act");
- (1) Coopers & Lybrand L.L.P., who have audited certain consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries, are independent public accountants as required by the Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder:
- (m) None of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (including, without limitation, the use of the proceeds from the sale of the Redemption Shares) will violate or result in a violation of Section 7 of the Exchange Act, or any regulation promulgated thereunder, including, without limitation, Regulations G, T, U and X of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System;
- (n) The Company will apply the net proceeds from the sale of Redemption Shares for the purpose set forth in the Prospectus under the caption "Use of Proceeds";
- (o) No person has any right to request or demand to have any shares of Common Stock or other securities of the Company registered pursuant to the Registration Statement, which right has not been waived;
- (p) The statements set forth in the Prospectus under the caption "Description of Capital Stock", insofar as they purport to constitute a summary of the terms of the capital stock of the Company and under the captions "Standby Arrangements" and "Redemption of Debentures and Alternatives to Redemption", insofar as they purport to describe the provisions of the laws and documents referred to therein, are accurate, complete and fair; and
- (q) Neither the Company nor any of its affiliates does business with the government of Cuba or with any person or affiliate located in Cuba within the meaning of Section 517.075, Florida Statutes.
- 2. Agreement to Sell and Purchase, Delivery, and Payment. (a) Subject to the terms and conditions herein set forth, the Purchaser agrees, at the option of the Company, exercisable by giving notice to the Purchaser not later than 5:00 p.m., Houston time, on the Expiration Date, to purchase from the Company at the Time of Delivery at a price per share of \$14.18, such number of Redemption Shares as shall be specified in such notice but not in excess of the total number of Redemption Shares.
- (b) Certificates in definitive form for the Redemption Shares to be purchased by the Purchaser hereunder shall be delivered by or on behalf of the Company against payment by Purchaser of the purchase price therefor at the office of Sanders Morris Mundy Inc., 3100 Texas Commerce Tower, Houston, Texas 77002.

- (c) As compensation to the Purchaser for its commitment hereunder, the Company agrees to pay to the Purchaser, upon execution of this Agreement the sum of \$200,000.00. In addition, the Company agrees to pay to the Purchaser no later than 2:00 pm, (Houston time) on December 5, 1995 (such time and date being hereinafter referred to as the "Time of Delivery") at the offices of Sanders Morris Mundy Inc., 3100 Texas Commerce Tower, Houston, Texas 77002, in immediately available funds, payable by wire transfer to an account designated by the Purchaser, an amount equal to the product of (i) \$.40 and (ii) the aggregate number of Redemption Shares purchased by the Purchaser. Such additional compensation shall not be payable if the Purchaser determines not to purchase the Conversion Shares on the Closing Date as a result of a failure to be satisfied of the conditions set forth in Sections 4(e) and (f), and, to the extent related to Section 4(e), Section 4(i).
- (d) The Purchaser agrees to remit to the Company an amount equal to (i) not less than 75% of the excess, if any, of (A) the total proceeds received on the sale of the Redemption Shares, less any selling concessions, transfer taxes and other direct out-of-pocket selling expenses, over (B) the purchase price for the Redemption Shares set forth in Section 2(a) hereunder if the number of Redemption Shares purchased by the Purchaser is equal to or less than 369,811 and (ii) not less than 50% of the excess, if any, of (A) the total proceeds received on the sale of the Redemption Shares, less any selling concessions, transfer taxes and other direct out-of-pocket selling expenses, over (B) the purchase price for the Redemption Shares set forth in Section 2(a) hereunder if the number of Redemption Shares purchased by the Purchaser is greater than 369,811. On completion of the sale of all of the Redemption Shares, the Purchaser will furnish the Company a statement setting forth the total proceeds received on the sale of the Redemption Shares and the applicable selling concessions, transfer taxes and other direct, out-of-pocket selling expenses, including fees and disbursements of counsel. Payment of any amount due under this paragraph will be made by the Purchaser on the second business day following the sale by the Purchaser of all the Redemption Shares. For purposes of the foregoing determination, any Redemption Shares not sold by or for the account of the Purchaser before the close of business on the 20th business day after the Time of Delivery will be deemed to have been sold on such 20th business day for an amount equal to the last reported sale price of the Common Stock on such day as reported by the New York Stock Exchange. Nothing herein shall limit the right of the Purchaser, in its discretion, to determine the price or prices at which, and the time or times when, and Redemption Shares will be sold, whether or not prior to the Redemption Date and whether or not for long or short account.
- (e) Until the close of business on the Expiration Date, the Purchaser may, but is not obligated to, purchase Securities in the open market in such amount and at such prices as the Purchaser may deem advisable. All Securities so purchased will be converted into shares of Common Stock. The shares of Common Stock acquired by the Purchaser pursuant to the provisions of this Section may be sold at any time or from time to time by the Purchaser. It is also understood that, for the purpose of stabilizing the price of the Common Stock or otherwise, the Purchaser may, but is not obligated to, purchase and sell shares of Common Stock or other securities of the Company and over-allot in effecting sales of Common Stock, all in such amounts and at such prices as the Purchaser may deem advisable.

- (f) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, under no circumstances shall the aggregate underwriters' compensation payable under this Agreement exceed the maximum amount permitted to be paid under the rules and interpretations of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc.
 - 3. Agreements of the Company. The Company agrees with the Purchaser:
- (a) To make no further amendment or any supplement to the Registration Statement or Prospectus prior to the Time of Delivery that shall be disapproved by the Purchaser in good faith promptly after reasonable notice thereof; to advise the Purchaser, promptly after it receives notice thereof, of the time when the Registration Statement, or any amendment thereto, has been filed or becomes effective or any supplement to the Prospectus or any amended Prospectus has been filed and to furnish the Purchaser with copies thereof; to timely file all reports and any definitive proxy or information statements required to be filed by the Company with the Commission pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act subsequent to the date of the Prospectus and for so long as the delivery of a prospectus is required in connection with the offering or sale of the Redemption Shares; to advise the Purchaser, promptly after it receives notice thereof, of the issuance by the Commission of any stop order or of any order preventing or suspending the use of the Prospectus, of the suspension of the qualification of the Redemption Shares for offering or sale in any jurisdiction, of the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for any such purpose, or of any request by the Commission for the amending or supplementing of the Registration Statement or Prospectus or for additional information; and, in the event of the issuance of any stop order or of any order preventing or suspending the use of the Prospectus or suspending any such qualification, to use promptly its best efforts to obtain its withdrawal.
- (b) Promptly from time to time to take such action as the Purchaser may reasonably request to qualify the Redemption Shares for offering and sale under the securities laws of such jurisdictions as the Purchaser may request and to comply with such laws so as to permit the continuance of sales and dealings therein in such jurisdictions for as long as may be necessary to complete the distribution of the Redemption Shares, provided that in connection therewith the Company shall not be required to qualify as a foreign corporation or to file a general consent to service of process in any jurisdiction.
- (c) To furnish the Purchaser with copies of the Prospectus in such quantities as the Purchaser may from time to time reasonably request, and, if the delivery of a prospectus is required at any time prior to the expiration of nine months after the time of issue of the Prospectus in connection with the offering or sale of the Redemption Shares and if at such time any event shall have occurred as a result of which the Prospectus as then amended or supplemented would include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made when such Prospectus is delivered, not misleading, or, if for any other reason it shall be necessary during such period to amend or supplement the Prospectus or to file under the Exchange Act any document incorporated by reference in the Prospectus in order to comply with the Act or the Exchange Act, to notify the Purchaser and upon the Purchaser's

- request to file such document and to prepare and furnish without charge to the Purchaser and to any dealer in securities as many copies as the Purchaser may from time to time reasonably request of an amended Prospectus or a supplement to the Prospectus which will correct such statement or omission or effect such compliance, and in case the Purchaser is required to deliver a prospectus in connection with sales of any of the Redemption Shares at any time nine months or more after the time of issue of the Prospectus, upon request of the Purchaser but at the expense of the Purchaser, to prepare and deliver to the Purchaser as many copies as the Purchaser may request of an amended or supplemented Prospectus complying with Section 10(a)(3) of the Act.
- (d) To make generally available to its securityholders as soon as practicable, but in any event not later than 18 months after the effective date of the Registration Statement (as defined in Rule 158(c)), an earnings statement of the Company and its subsidiaries (which need not be audited) complying with Section 11(a) of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder (including at the option of the Company Rule 158).
- (e) During the period beginning from the date hereof and continuing to and including the Time of Delivery and, if the Purchaser purchases any Redemption Shares hereunder, further continuing to and including the date 90 days after the Redemption Date, not to offer, sell, contract to sell or otherwise dispose of, any shares of Common Stock of the Company, any securities of the Company substantially similar to the Common Stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for Common Stock or any substantially similar security (except for any securities, issued, offered, sold or disposed of by the Company to its stock option and other benefit plans maintained for its officers, directors and employees, Common Stock issued or distributed in connection with the conversion of any security of the Company outstanding on the date of the Prospectus, or Common Stock issued in connection with the acquisition of businesses or properties by the Company) without the Purchaser prior written consent.
- (f) To use its best efforts to list, subject to notice of issuance, the Redemption Shares on the NYSE.
- (g) To cause to be given notice of redemption on the date hereof (the "Effective Date"), such notice to be in the form submitted to and approved by the Purchaser and to be in accordance with the requirements of Article Twelve of the Indenture, and to contain the information called for thereby, and to furnish such copies of such notice to the Purchaser as the Purchaser may request; and, in addition, to cause to be given notice of redemption by press release at such times as the Purchaser and the Company may mutually agree.
- (h) To advise the Purchaser or to cause the Purchaser to be advised on each business day prior to the Time of Delivery of the principal amount of the Securities surrendered on the preceding business day for conversion into shares of Common Stock or for redemption.
- (i) To supplement the Prospectus, or file a post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement, after the Redemption Date to set forth the results of the call for redemption and other information that may be required to comply with the rules of the Commission, if applicable, and,

- (j) To pay or cause to be paid the following: (i) the fees, disbursements and expenses of the Company's counsel and accountants in connection with the registration of the Redemption Shares under the Act, the redemption of the Securities, the issuance of the Conversion Shares upon conversion of the Securities or the Redemption Shares upon the sale by the Company to the Purchaser as herein provided, and all other expenses in connection with the preparation, printing and filing of the Registration Statement, and the Prospectus and amendments and supplements thereto and the mailing and delivering of copies thereof to the Purchaser and dealers; (ii) the cost of printing, producing this Agreement, the Blue Sky survey, or publishing the notice of redemption of the Securities and related letters of transmittal, notice of guaranteed delivery and any other documents (including newspaper notices or advertisements) in connection with the redemption or conversion of the Securities and the offering, purchase, sale, and delivery of the Redemption Shares; (iii) all expenses in connection with the qualification of the Redemption Shares for offering and sale under state securities laws as provided in Section 3(b) hereof, including the fees and disbursements of counsel for the Purchaser in connection with such qualification and in connection with the Blue Sky surveys; (iv) the filing fees incident to securing any required review by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. of the terms of the issuance or sale of the Redemption Shares; (v) the cost of preparing stock certificates; (vi) the cost and charges of any transfer agent or registrar for the Securities and the Common Stock and any fees and expenses incurred under the Indenture; (vii) the fees and expenses of the Trustee and any agent of the Trustee, and the fees and disbursements of counsel for the Trustee in connection with the redemption of the Securities; (viii) the fees incurred in connection with listing the Redemption Shares on the NYSE; (ix) if the Purchaser does not purchase any Redemption Shares hereunder the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel to the Purchaser; and (x) all other costs and expenses incident to the performance of its obligations hereunder which are not otherwise specifically provided for in this Section. Except as otherwise provided by this Section, Section 5 and Section 6(c), Purchaser shall pay all of its own costs and expenses, including any advertising expenses connected with any offer it may make.
- 4. Conditions of the Obligations of the Purchaser. The obligations of the Purchaser hereunder, shall be subject, in its discretion, to the condition that all representations and warranties and other statements of the Company herein are, at and as of the Effective Date and are, at and as of the Time of Delivery (other than Section 1(d)) true and correct, the condition that the Company shall have performed all of its obligations hereunder theretofore to be performed, and the following additional conditions (other than, in the case of the Time of Delivery, paragraphs (e), (f), and, to the extent related to paragraph (e), paragraph (i)):
 - (a) The Registration Statement shall have become effective, and the Purchaser shall have received prompt notice thereof; no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement shall have been issued and no proceeding for that purpose shall have been initiated or threatened by the Commission; and all requests for additional

information on the part of the Commission shall have been compiled with to the Purchaser's reasonable satisfaction;

- (b) Snell & Smith, P.C., counsel for the Company, shall have furnished to the Purchaser their written opinion, dated the Time of Delivery, in form and substance satisfactory to the Purchaser, to the effect that:
 - (i) The Company has been duly incorporated and is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, with corporate power and authority to own its properties and conduct its business as described in the Prospectus;
 - (ii) The Company has an authorized capitalization as set forth in the Prospectus, and all of the issued shares of capital stock of the Company have been duly and validly authorized and issued and are fully paid and non-assessable; the Conversion Shares and the Redemption Shares have been duly and validly authorized for issuance; the Conversion Shares, when issued and delivered in accordance with the Securities and the Indenture, and the Redemption Shares, when issued and delivered upon the sale by the Company to the Purchaser as herein provided, will be duly and validly issued and fully paid and non- assessable and will conform to the description of the Common Stock contained in the Prospectus;
 - (iii) The Company has been duly qualified as a foreign corporation for the transaction of business and is in good standing under the laws of each other jurisdiction in which it owns or leases properties, or conducts any business, so as to require such qualification, or is subject to no material liability or disability by reason of failure to be so qualified in any such jurisdiction (such counsel being entitled to rely in respect of the opinion in this clause in respect of matters of fact upon certificates of public officials and officers of the Company, provided that such counsel shall state that he believes that both the Purchaser and they are justified in relying upon such certificates);
 - (iv) Each subsidiary of the Company identified on Annex I attached hereto (the "Material Subsidiaries") has been duly incorporated and is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation; and all of the issued shares of capital stock of each such subsidiary have been duly and validly authorized and issued, are fully paid and non-assessable, and (except for directors' qualifying shares) are owned directly or indirectly by the Company, free and clear of all liens, encumbrances, equities or claims, other than liens arising under the Revolving Credit and Term Loan Agreement dated as of June 30, 1995 (such counsel being entitled to rely in respect of the poinion in this clause in respect of matters of fact upon certificates of public officials and officers of the Company or its subsidiaries, provided that

such counsel shall state that he believes that both the Purchaser and he are justified in relying upon certificates);

- (v) To the best of such counsel's knowledge and other than as set forth in the Prospectus, there are no legal or governmental proceedings pending to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a party or of which any property of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is the subject with respect to which there is a reasonable likelihood of determinations which would individually or in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial position, stockholders' equity or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries; and, to the best of such counsel's knowledge, no such proceedings are threatened or contemplated by governmental authorities or threatened by others;
- (vi) This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company;
- (vii) The Securities are convertible in accordance with their terms and pursuant to the Indenture in the manner and upon the terms described in the Prospectus;
- (viii) The redemption by the Company on the Redemption Date of all the outstanding Securities in the manner and upon the terms described in the Prospectus has been duly authorized by all required corporate action and is in compliance with the terms of the Indenture and the Securities;
- (ix) The redemption of the Securities, the issuance and sale of the Conversion Shares upon conversion of the Securities or the Redemption Shares upon the sale by the Company to the Purchaser as herein provided, the compliance by the Company with all of the provisions of this Agreement and the consummation of the transactions herein contemplated, to the best of such counsel's knowledge, will not conflict with or result in a breach or violation of any of the terms or provisions of, or constitute a default under, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement or other agreement or instrument to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a party or by which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is bound or to which any of the property or assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is subject; nor will such actions result in any violation of the provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation, as amended, or the Bylaws of the Company or any statute of the United States of America or of Delaware or any other statute known to such counsel or any order, rule or regulation of any court or governmental agency or body having jurisdiction over the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any of their properties;
- (x) To the best of such counsel's knowledge, no consent, approval, authorization, order, registration or qualification of or with any such court or governmental agency or body is required by or on behalf of the Company for the

redemption of the Securities, the issuance of the Conversion Shares upon conversion of the Securities or the Redemption Shares upon the sale by the Company to the Purchaser as herein provided or the consummation by the Company of the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement, except such as have been obtained under the Act, the listing of the Redemption Shares on the NYSE, which will occur prior to the Time of Delivery, and such consents, approvals, authorizations, registrations or qualifications as may be required under state securities or Blue Sky laws in connection with the purchase and distribution of the Redemption Shares by the Purchaser:

(xi) The documents incorporated by reference in the Prospectus or any further amendment or supplement thereto made $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) +\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left(1\right) +\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left($ by the Company prior to the Time of Delivery (other than (a) the financial statements, notes and schedules thereto included or incorporated by reference therein and (b) other financial and statistical information included or incorporated by reference therein, as to all of which such counsel need express no opinion), when they became effective or were filed with the Commission, as the case may be, complied as to form in all material respects with the requirements of the Act or the Exchange Act, as applicable, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder; and such counsel has no reason to believe that any of such documents, when such documents became effective or were so filed, as the case may be, contained, in the case of a registration statement which became effective under the Act, an untrue statement of a material fact, or omitted to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, or, in the case of other documents which were filed under the Act or the Exchange Act with the Commission, an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made when such documents were so filed, not misleading;

(xii) The Registration Statement and the Prospectus and any further amendments and supplements thereto made by the Company prior to the Time of Delivery (other than (a) the financial statements, notes and schedules thereto included or incorporated by reference therein and (b) other financial and statistical information included or incorporated by reference therein, as to all of which such counsel need express no opinion) comply as to form in all material respects with the requirements of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder: such counsel has no reason to believe that, as of its effective date, the Registration Statement or any further amendment thereto made by the Company prior to the Time of Delivery (other than (a) the financial statements, notes and schedules thereto included or incorporated by reference therein and (b) other financial and statistical information included or incorporated by reference therein, as to all of which such counsel need express no opinion) contained an $\,$ untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading or that, as of its date, the Prospectus

or any further amendment or supplement thereto made by the Company prior to the Time of Delivery (other than (a) the financial statements, notes and schedules thereto included or incorporated by reference therein and (b) other financial or statistical information included or incorporated by reference therein, as to all of which such counsel need express no opinion) contained an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances in which they were made, not misleading or that, as of the Time of Delivery, either the Registration Statement or the Prospectus or any further amendment or supplement thereto made by the Company prior to the Time of Delivery (other than (a) the financial statements, notes and schedules thereto included or incorporated by reference therein and (b) other financial or statistical information included or incorporated by reference therein, as to all of which such counsel need express no opinion) contains an untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances in which they were made, not misleading; and such counsel does not know of any amendment to the Registration Statement required to be filed or of any contracts or other documents of a character required to be filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement or required to be incorporated by reference into the Prospectus or required to be described in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus which are not filed or incorporated by reference or described as required:

- (d) At the Time of Delivery, the Purchaser shall have received a letter or letters, in form and substance satisfactory to the Purchaser, from Coopers & Lybrand L.L.P. with respect to the financial statements and certain financial information contained in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus and from Deloitte & Touche L.L.P. and Arthur Andersen L.L.P. each with respect to the financial statements and certain financial information contained in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus;
- (e) (i) Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries shall have sustained since the date of the latest audited financial statements included or incorporated by reference in the Prospectus any loss or interference with its business from fire, explosion, flood or other calamity, whether or not covered by insurance, or from any labor dispute or court or governmental action, order or decree, otherwise than as set forth or contemplated in the Prospectus, and (ii) since the respective dates as of which information is given in the Prospectus there shall not have been any change in the capital stock or long-term debt of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any change, or any development involving a prospective change, in or affecting the general affairs, management, financial position, stockholders' equity or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, otherwise than as set forth or contemplated in the Prospectus, the effect of which, in any such case described in clause (i) or (ii), is in the Purchaser's reasonable judgment so material and adverse as to make it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement on the terms and in the manner contemplated in the Prospectus;

- (f) On or after the date hereof there shall not have occurred any of the following: (i) a suspension or material limitation in trading in securities generally on the NYSE; (ii) a general moratorium on commercial banking activities in Texas declared by either Federal or Texas State authorities; or (iii) the outbreak or escalation of hostilities involving the United States or the declaration by the United States of a national emergency or war, if the effect of any such event specified in this clause (iii) in the Purchaser's reasonable judgment makes it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement on the terms and in the manner contemplated by the Prospectus;
- (h) The Conversion Shares are listed, and the Redemption Shares to be sold by the Company at the Time of Delivery shall have been duly listed, subject to notice of issuance, on the NYSE; and
- (i) The Company shall have furnished or caused to be furnished to the Purchaser on the Effective Date and at Time of Delivery certificates of officers of the Company satisfactory to the Purchaser as to the accuracy of the representations and warranties of the Company herein at and as of the Effective Date or the Time of Delivery (other than, in the case of the Time of Delivery, Section 1(d)), respectively, as to the performance by the Company of all of its obligations hereunder to be performed at or prior to the Effective Date or the Time of Delivery, as the case may be, as to the matters set forth in subsections (a) and (e) of this Section and as to such other matters as the Purchaser may reasonably request.
- 5. Indemnification. (a) The Company will indemnify and hold harmless the Purchaser against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities, to which the Purchaser may become subject, under the Act or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, and will reimburse the Purchaser for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by the Purchaser in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim as such expenses are incurred; provided, however, that the Company shall not be liable in any such case to the extent that any such loss, claim, damage or liability arises out of or is based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission made in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus or any such amendment or supplement in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by the Purchaser expressly for use therein.
- (b) The Purchaser will indemnify and hold harmless the Company against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities to which the Company may become subject, under the Act or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not

misleading, in each case to the extent, but only to the extent, that such untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission was made in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus or any such amendment or supplement in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by the Purchaser expressly for use therein; and will reimburse the Company for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by the Company in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim as such expenses are incurred.

- (c) Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under subsection (a) or (b) above of notice of the commencement of any action, such indemnified party shall, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against the indemnifying party under such subsection, notify the indemnifying party in writing of the commencement thereof; but the omission so to notify the indemnifying party shall not relieve it from any liability which it may have to any indemnified party otherwise than under such subsection. In case any such action shall be brought against any indemnified party and it shall notify the indemnifying party of the commencement thereof, the indemnifying party shall be entitled to participate therein and, to the extent that it shall wish, to assume the defense thereof, with counsel reasonably satisfactory to such indemnified party (who shall not, except with the consent of the indemnified party, be counsel to the indemnifying party), and, after notice from the indemnifying party to such indemnified party of its election so to assume the defense thereof, the indemnifying party shall not be liable to such indemnified party under such subsection for any legal expenses of other counsel or any other expenses, in each case subsequently incurred by such indemnified party, in connection with the defense thereof other than reasonable costs of investigation;
- (d) If the indemnification provided for in this Section 5 is unavailable to or insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party under subsection (a) or (b) above in respect of any losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) referred to therein, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party as a result of such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company on the one hand and the Purchaser on the other from the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. If, however, the allocation provided by the immediately preceding sentence is not permitted by applicable law or if the indemnified party failed to give the notice required under subsection (c) above, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to such amount paid or payable by such indemnified party in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only such relative benefits but also the relative fault of the Company on the one hand and the Purchaser on the other in connection with the statements or omissions which resulted in such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof), as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative benefits received by the Company on the one hand and the Purchaser on the other with respect to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement shall be deemed to be in the same proportion as the market value of the Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the Securities on the last Trading Day (as defined in Section 6(b)) immediately preceding the date of this Agreement (calculated based on the Closing Price of the Common Stock) bears to the compensation received by the Purchaser pursuant to Section 2. The relative fault shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement

of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Company on the one hand or the Purchaser on the other and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission. The Company and the Purchaser agree that it would not be just and equitable if contributions pursuant to this subsection (d) were determined by pro rata allocation or by any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to above in this subsection (d). The amount paid or payable by an indemnified party as a result of the losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) referred to above in this subsection (d) shall be deemed to include any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection (d), the Purchaser shall not be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total price at which the Redemption Shares purchased by it and distributed to the public were offered to the public exceeds the amount of any damages which the Purchaser has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation.

- (e) The obligations of the Company under this Section 5 shall be in addition to any liability which the Company may otherwise have and shall extend, upon the same terms and conditions, to each person, if any, who controls the Purchaser within the meaning of the Act; and the obligations of the Purchaser under this Section 5 shall be in addition to any liability which the Purchaser may otherwise have and shall extend, upon the same terms and conditions, to each officer and director of the Company and to each person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of the Act.
- 6. Miscellaneous. (a) The respective indemnities, agreements, representations, warranties and other statements of the Company and the Purchaser as set forth in this Agreement or made by them, respectively, pursuant to this Agreement, shall remain in full force and effect, regardless of any investigation (or any statement as to the results thereof) made by or on behalf of the Purchaser or any controlling person of the Purchaser or the Company, or any officer or director or controlling person of the Company, and shall survive delivery of the Conversion Shares and the Redemption Shares and payment for the Redemption Shares.
- (b) For purposes of this Agreement, "Trading Day" means a day on which the Common Stock is traded on the NYSE, and "Closing Price" means the reported last sale price regular way per share of the Common Stock, or in case no such reported sale takes place on such day, the average of the reported closing bid and asked prices regular way, in either case on the NYSE.
- (c) If for any reason after the notice pursuant to Section 2(a) has been delivered, No Redemption Shares included in such notice are delivered by or on behalf of the Company as provided herein, the Company will reimburse the Purchaser for all out-of-pocket expenses, including fees and disbursements of counsel, reasonably incurred by the Purchaser in making preparations for the purchase, sale and delivery of the Redemption Shares not so delivered, but

the Company shall then be under no further liability to the Purchasers in respect of the Redemption Shares not so delivered except as provided in Section 2 and Section 5 hereof.

- (d) All statements, requests, notices and agreements hereunder shall be in writing, and if to the Purchaser shall be delivered or sent by mail, telex or facsimile transmission to Sanders Morris Mundy Inc., 3100 Texas Commerce Tower, Houston, Texas 77002, Attention: Ben T. Morris, facsimile number 713-224-1101; and if to the Company shall be delivered or sent by mail, telex or facsimile transmission to the address of the Company set forth in the Registration Statement, Attention: General Counsel, facsimile number 214-383-7911. Any such statements, requests, notices or agreements shall take effect at the time of receipt thereof.
- (e) This Agreement shall be binding upon, and inure solely to the benefit of, the Purchaser, the Company and, to the extent provided in Section 5 and Section 6(a) hereof, the officers and directors of the Company and each person who controls the Company or the Purchaser, and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, and no other person shall acquire or have any right under or by virtue of this Agreement. No purchaser of any of the Redemption Shares from the Purchaser shall be deemed a successor or assign by reason merely of such purchase.
- (f) Time shall be of the essence of this Agreement. As used herein, the term "business day" shall mean any day when the Commission's office in Washington, D.C. is open for business.
- (g) THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS.
- (h) This Agreement may be executed by any one or more of the parties hereto in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument

If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding, please sign and return to us five counterparts hereof, and upon the acceptance hereof by the Purchaser this letter and such acceptance hereof shall constitute a binding agreement between the Purchaser and the Company.

Very truly yours,

USA WASTE SERVICES, INC.

Title:

By:_____Name:

18 Accepted as of the date hereof: SANDERS MORRIS MUNDY INC.

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ANNEX I

Material Subsidiaries

Nobember 1, 1995

USA Waste Services, Inc. 5400 LBJ Freeway Suite 300, Tower One Dallas, Texas 75240

Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel for USA Waste Services, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the filing of the Registration Statement on Form S-3 with respect to the registration of 3,172,226 shares (the "Shares") of the Common Stock, \$.01 par value (the "Common Stock"), of the Company issuable to Sanders Morris Mundy Inc. under certain standby arrangements in connection with the conversion of the Company's 8-1/2% Convertible Subordinated Debenture Due 2002 (the "Debentures").

We have made such inquiries and examined such documents as we have considered necessary or appropriate for purposes of giving the opinions hereinafter set forth, including the examination of executed or conformed counterparts, or copies certified or otherwise proved to our satisfaction, of the following:

- (a) the Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company as filed with the Secretary of State of Delaware on June 30, 1995;
 - (b) the By-laws of the Company;
- (c) the Registration Statement on Form S-3 of the Company, including the related prospectus and other attachments, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission to register the Shares under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Registration Statement").

We have assumed the genuineness and authenticity of all signatures on all original documents, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to originals of all documents submitted to us as copies and the due authorization, execution,

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delivery or recordation of all documents where due authorization, execution or recordation or prerequisites to the effectiveness thereof.

Based upon the foregoing, and having regard for such legal considerations as we deem relevant, we are of the opinion that:

- (i) the Company is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the States of Delaware;
- (ii) the authorized capital of the Company consists of 150,000,000 shares of Common Stock, of which, as of September 30, 1995, 53,848,249 shares are issued and outstanding, and 10,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock, \$.01 par value, of which, as of September 30, 1995, no shares are issued and outstanding;
- (iii) the shares of Common Stock reserved for issuance upon conversion of the Debentures, when issued in accordance with the terms of the Debentures, will be duly authorized and validly issued, fully paid, and nonassessable; and
- (iv) the Shares registered under the Registration Statement are duly authorized, and if and when issued by the Company, will be legally issued, fully paid, and non-assessable.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the Statements made regarding our Firm and to the use of our name under the heading "Legal Matters" in the prospectus constituting a part of the Registration Statement.

Very truly yours,

SNELL & SMITH, A Professional Corporation

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this registration statement of USA Waste Services, Inc. on Form S-3 of our report dated March 10, 1995, on our audits of the consolidated financial statements of USA Waste Services, Inc. as of December 31, 1994 and 1993, and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 1994, which is included in USA Waste Services, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1994, as amended by Form 10-K/A and included in and incorporated by reference into the USA Waste Services, Inc.'s Joint Proxy Statement and Prospectus dated May 19, 1995, and our report dated July 14, 1995, on our audits of the supplemental consolidated financial statements of USA Waste Services, Inc. as of December 31, 1994 and 1993, and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 1994, which is included in USA Waste Services, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K dated June 30, 1995. We also consent to the reference to our firm under the caption "Experts."

COOPERS & LYBRAND L.L.P.

Dallas, Texas November 1, 1995

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

To USA Waste Services, Inc.

As independent public accountants, we hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-3 of our report dated September 22, 1993 on Envirofil, Inc. included in the USA Waste Services, Inc.'s previously filed Annual Report of Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1994, as amended by Form 10-K/A (Amendment No. 1) dated April 25, 1995 and included in and incorporated by reference in the USA Waste Services, Inc.'s previously filed Joint Proxy Statement and Prospectus dated May 19, 1995, and our report dated March 25, 1994 on the Acquired New Jersey Solid Waste Companies included in the Envirofil, Inc.'s previously filed Current Report on Form 8-K/A dated May 11, 1994 and incorporated by reference in the USA Waste Services, Inc.'s previously filed Joint Proxy Statement and Prospectus dated May 19, 1995 and to all references to our Firm included in this Registration Statement.

Philadelphia, PA November 1, 1995

ARTHUR ANDERSEN LLP

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' CONSENT

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement of USA Waste Services, Inc. on Form S-3 of our report dated March 30, 1995 on the consolidated financial statements of Chambers Development Company, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 1994 and 1993 and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 1994 appearing in USA Waste Services, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K dated June 30, 1995 (which does not include such consolidated financial statements), and our report dated March 30, 1995 appearing in the Joint Proxy Statement and Prospectus of USA Waste Services, Inc. dated May 19, 1995. We also consent to the reference to us under the heading "Experts" in the Prospectus, which is part of such Registration Statement.

DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania November 1, 1995 November 1, 1995

USA WASTE SERVICES, INC.

NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

8 1/2% CONVERTIBLE SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES DUE 2002

CONVERSION PRIVILEGE EXPIRES AT 5:00 P.M. (EASTERN TIME) AT THE PLACE OF CONVERSION ON DECEMBER 1, 1995

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, at 5:00 p.m. on December 11, 1995 (the "Redemption Date"), pursuant to Section 1205 of the Indenture dated as of September 1, 1992 (the "Indenture"), between USA Waste Services, Inc. (the "Company") and State Street Bank and Trust Company as successor to The First National Bank of Boston, as Trustee, the Company will redeem all of its outstanding 8- 1/2% Convertible Subordinated Debentures Due 2002 (the "Debentures"), at a redemption price of \$1,056.67 plus accrued interest of \$13.46 from October 15, 1995, to the Redemption Date, for a total of \$1,070.16 for each \$1,000 principal amount of Debentures (the "Redemption Price"). The Redemption Price will be due and payable on each \$1,000 principal amount of Debentures on the Redemption Date (unless the Debentures are converted as referred to below). From and after the Redemption Date, interest thereon shall cease to accrue, and holders of Debentures will not have any rights as such holders other than the right to receive the Redemption Price, without interest, upon surrender of their Debentures.

ALTERNATIVES AVAILABLE TO HOLDERS OF DEBENTURES

HOLDERS OF DEBENTURES HAVE THE FOLLOWING ALTERNATIVES:

- 1. Conversion. Prior to 5:00 p.m. (Eastern time) on December 1, 1995, to convert any or all of the Debentures into the Company's Common Stock at a conversion price of \$13.25 per share (75.472 shares of Common Stock for each \$1,000 principal amount of Debentures). Holder's will receive a cash payment in lieu of any fractional share. The method of delivery is at the option and risk of the holder but, if mail is used, it is recommended that registered mail with return receipt requested, properly insured, be used as a prevention against loss. If conversion is being requested, Debenture certificates should be mailed, together with a Letter of Transmittal, sufficiently in advance of December 1, 1995, to permit delivery to the Trustee on or before such date and time.
- 2. Redemption. To surrender Debentures for redemption at the total Redemption Price of \$1,070.16 for each \$1,000 principal amount of Debentures.
- 3. Sale Through Ordinary Brokerage Transactions. To sell the Debentures through open market brokerage transactions and, if made sufficiently in advance of December 1, 1995, buyers thereof may convert the Debentures into Common Stock in the manner described herein. After December 1, 1995, a holder of Debentures will not be entitled to convert such Debentures into Common Stock. This is expected to have an impact on the market for the Debentures. Holders of Debentures who wish to make sales should consult with their brokers concerning if and when such Debentures should be sold.

Instructions on presentation of Debentures for conversion or redemption are given on the accompanying Letter of Transmittal.

In order to be converted into Common Stock, the Debentures must be presented, surrendered and received before 5:00 p.m. (Eastern time) on December 1, 1995, to State Street Bank and Trust Company at one of the following addresses, where they may also be surrendered for redemption:

By Mail or Overnight Courier: State Bank and Trust Company Corporate Trust Department, 4th Floor Two International Plaza Boston, MA 02110 By Hand: Chemical Bank A/C State Street Bank & Trust Co. Ground Floor/Receive Window 4 New York Plaza New York, NY 10004

For the convenience of holders of Debentures, a form of Letter of Transmittal, which may be used for forwarding Debentures for conversion or for redemption by the Company, has been mailed to each record holder of Debentures and to nominees for holders of Debentures to be forwarded to each holder with a copy of this notice, together with a copy of a Prospectus relating to Common Stock issuable by the Company to Sanders Morris Mundy Inc., as standby purchaser in respect of Debentures not converted by the holders thereof into shares of Common Stock on or before December 1, 1995. Additional copies of the form of Letter of Transmittal and the Prospectus may be obtained from the Company, 5400 LBJ Freeway, Suite 300 -- Tower One, Dallas, Texas 75240, Attn: Ms. Kay Stockler, (214) 383-7900.

THE LAST REPORTED SALE PRICE OF THE COMMON STOCK ON OCTOBER 30, 1995, WAS \$20.75 PER SHARE. AT SUCH LAST REPORTED SALE PRICE PER SHARE, THE HOLDER OF \$1,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF DEBENTURES WOULD RECEIVE, UPON CONVERSION, 75 SHARES OF COMMON STOCK AND CASH IN LIEU OF A FRACTIONAL SHARE HAVING AN AGGREGATE MARKET VALUE OF APPROXIMATELY \$1,566.03. SUCH VALUE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE DEPENDING ON CHANGES IN THE MARKET PRICE OF THE COMMON STOCK. SO LONG AS THE MARKET PRICE OF THE COMMON STOCK IS AT LEAST \$14.18 PER SHARE, HOLDERS OF DEBENTURES WHO CONVERT THEIR DEBENTURES INTO COMMON STOCK WILL RECEIVE COMMON STOCK HAVING A GREATER MARKET VALUE (WITHOUT TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION SALES EXPENSE) THAN THE CASH WHICH THEY WOULD RECEIVE UPON REDEMPTION.

Please be sure to read and follow the instructions on the Letter of Transmittal.

If there are any questions concerning this matter, please contact either State Street Bank and Trust Company (617) 664-5419 or USA Waste Services, Inc. at (214) 383-7900.

USA WASTE SERVICES, INC.

By: JOHN E. DRURY, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer