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### **MDEQ AWARDS SOLID WASTE ASSISTANCE GRANT TO THREE RIVERS SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY**

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**Jackson, Miss., March 01, 2005**—The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) has awarded Three Rivers Solid Waste Management Authority a grant in the amount of \$30,000. The authority proposes to utilize this funding for a household hazardous waste collection project.

“We are pleased to be able to assist the Authority in its efforts towards improving solid waste management conditions in their county,” said Charles Chisolm, Executive Director of MDEQ.

Cities and counties throughout Mississippi can apply for Solid Waste Assistance Grants through the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality. These grants could be utilized by local communities for programs to prevent and clean up unauthorized dumps; to aid in hiring local solid waste enforcement officers; for public education efforts on solid waste disposal and recycling; and to establish collection programs for the collection of white goods, bulky wastes and recyclables.

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