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MERGING:

RELIABLE TRASH HAULING, INC., a Florida corporation, 373928

INTO

USA WASTE OF FLORIDA, INC., a Florida corporation, V22598

File date: June 9, 1998

Corporate Specialist: Cheryl Coulliette

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ARTICLES OF MERGER

OF

RELIABLE TRASH HAULING, INC., a Florida corporation

AND

USA WASTE OF FLORIDA, INC., a Florida corporation

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 607.1105, Florida Statutes, the undersigned corporations adopt the following Articles of Merger:

1. **RELIABLE TRASH HAULING, INC.**, a Florida corporation ("**RTH**"), shall be merged with and into **USA WASTE OF FLORIDA INC.**, a Florida corporation ("**USA Waste**"). **USA Waste** shall be the surviving corporation.

2. USA Waste will continue its existence as the surviving corporation under its current name pursuant to the provisions of the laws of the State of Florida.

3. The merger shall become effective as of the day on which these Articles of Merger are filed by the Secretary of State of Florida (the "Effective Time").

4. The merger was approved by the Board of Directors of RTH, and recommended by the Board of Directors of RTH to the shareholder of RTH, on 2 ± 5 , 1998. The merger was approved on 2 ± 5 , 1998, by the shareholder of RTH, who owns all issued and outstanding shares of RTH's common stock, which is the only class of stock that RTH is authorized to issue and therefore the only voting group entitled to vote on the merger, and the number of votes in favor of the merger were sufficient for approval.

5. The merger was approved by the Board of Directors of USA Waste, and recommended by the Board of Directors of USA Waste to the shareholder of USA Waste, on February 20, 1998. The merger was approved on February 20, 1998, by the shareholder of USA Waste, which owns all issued and outstanding shares of USA Waste's common stock, which is the only class of stock that USA Waste is authorized to issue and therefore the only voting group entitled to vote on the merger, and the number of votes in favor of the merger were sufficient for approval.

6. The merger shall be effected pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, these Articles of Merger have been executed on behalf of RTH and USA Waste by their authorized officers as of \underline{JuNE} , 1998.

USA WASTE OF FLORIDA, INC. By: Name: Ronald H. Jones Vice President & Treasurer Title:

Βv Name: Bryan. Blan/ Title: Secretar field Assistant Secretary

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RELIABLE TRASH HAULING, INC.

By: <u>Unthony Scrima</u> Name: Anthony Scrima

Title: President

By: lian Name: DIANNE SCRIMA

Title: Secretary

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The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this <u>5</u> day of <u>func</u>, 1998, by Anthony Scrima, as President of **Reliable Trash Hauling, Inc.**, a Florida corporation, on behalf of the corporation. He is personally known to me or has produced <u>as identification and did take an oath.</u>

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The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this <u>Mathematical day of</u> <u>June</u>, 1998, by <u>Jones</u>, as <u>V.P. and Treasurer</u> of **USA Waste of Florida, Inc.**, a Florida corporation, on behalf of the corporation. He is personally known to me or has produced ______as identification and did take an oath.



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The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 1st day of June, 1998, by Bryan J. Blankfield, as Assistant Secretary of USA Waste of Florida, Inc., a Florida corporation, on behalf of the corporation. He is personally known to me and did take an oath.

LINDA S. DELEON MY COMMISSION EXPIRES July 26, 2000

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AGREEMENT AND PLAN OF MERGER

OF

RELIABLE TRASH HAULING, INC., a Florida corporation

AND

USA WASTE OF FLORIDA, INC., a Florida corporation

THIS AGREEMENT AND PLAN OF MERGER (hereinafter referred to as the "Short Form Agreement and Plan of Merger") is entered into this 5th the day of June, 1998, by and between RELIABLE TRASH HAULING, INC. a Florida corporation ("RTH"), and USA WASTE OF FLORIDA, INC., a Florida corporation ("USA Waste"), as approved by the Board of Directors and shareholders of said corporations:

<u>R E C I T A L S</u>:

A. RTH is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida.

B. USA Waste is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida. USA Waste is a wholly owned subsidiary of USA WASTE SERVICES, INC., a Delaware corporation ("USA Waste Services").

C. The Directors of RTH and USA Waste believe that the merger of RTH with and into USA Waste would be advantageous and beneficial to the respective shareholders, employees and customers of those corporations.

D. RTH and USA Waste have agreed that RTH shall merge with and into USA Waste upon the terms and conditions and in the manner hereinafter provided, subject to and in accordance with the applicable laws of the State of Florida.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, agreements, provisions, grants, guarantees and representations contained in this Short Form Agreement and Plan of Merger and in order to consummate the transaction described above, RTH and USA Waste agree as follows:

1. Merger. RTH shall be merged with and into USA Waste.

2. <u>Filing and Effective Time</u>. Promptly after execution of this Short Form Agreement and Plan of Merger, **USA Waste** shall file with the Florida Department of State Articles of Merger pursuant to Section 607.1105 of the Florida Business Corporation Act (the "Florida Act"). The merger shall become effective as of the day on "Florida Act"). The merger shall become effective as of the day on which the Articles of Merger are filed by the Secretary of State of Florida (the "Effective Time").

2. <u>Surviving Corporation</u>. USA Waste shall continue its existence under its current name pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Act, and shall succeed without other transfer to all of the properties, rights, privileges, powers and franchises of RTH and shall be subject to all the debts, liabilities and duties of RTH in the same manner as if USA Waste had incurred the same.

3. <u>Disappearing Corporation</u>. The separate existence of **RTH** shall cease at the Effective Time of the merger in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State of Florida.

4. <u>Terms of the Merger</u>. All issued and outstanding shares of Ten Dollar (\$10.00) par value common stock of **RTH** shall, by virtue of the merger, be cancelled and exchangeable for shares of One Hundredth Dollar (\$0.01) par value common stock of **USA Waste Services** in accordance with Section 2 of that certain Agreement and Plan of Reorganization among **USA Waste**, **USA Waste Services**, **RTH** and the shareholder of **RTH**, dated February 20, 1998 (hereinafter referred to as the "Complete Agreement and Plan of Merger").

5. <u>Articles of Incorporation</u>. The Articles of Incorporation of **USA Waste** as now in force and effect shall remain in force and effect until changed, altered, or amended as therein provided and in the manner prescribed by the provisions of the Florida Act.

6. <u>Bylaws</u>. The Bylaws of **USA Waste** as now in force and effect shall remain in force and effect until changed, altered, or amended as therein provided and in the manner prescribed by the provisions of the Florida Act.

7. <u>Directors and Officers</u>. The directors and officers of USA Waste at the Effective Time shall continue to be the directors and the officers of USA Waste, all of whom shall hold their directorships and offices until the election and qualification of their respective successors or until their tenure is otherwise terminated in accordance with the Bylaws of USA Waste.

8. <u>Approval</u>. The merger contemplated by this Short Form Agreement and Plan of Merger has previously been submitted to and approved by the Board of Directors and Shareholders of **RTH** and **USA Waste**. Subsequent to the execution of this Short Form Agreement and Plan of Merger by the appropriate officers of **RTH** and **USA Waste**, the proper officers of each corporation shall, and are hereby authorized and directed to, cause to be executed and filed such documents prescribed by the laws of the State of Florida and to perform all such further acts as the same may be necessary or proper to render effective the merger contemplated hereby. 9. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Short Form Agreement and Plan of Merger shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Florida, without resort to choice of law principles. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between this Short Form Agreement and Plan of Merger and the Complete Agreement and Plan of Merger, the Complete Agreement and Plan of Merger shall govern and control.

10. Further Assurances. Each of the parties hereto shall take or cause to be taken all actions, and do or cause to be done all things, necessary, proper or advisable to effectuate the merger.

11. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement and Plan may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original and all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the duly authorized officers of the constituent corporations have executed this Agreement and Plan as of the date first above written.

RELIABLE TRASH HAULING, INC., a Florida corporation

By: Unthon Anthony Scrima, President

USA WASTE OF FLORIDA, INC., a Florida corporation

By: Bryan J. Blankfield Name: Assistant Secretary Title:

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