ORDINANCE TO CREATE AND BECOME A MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL CONNECTICUT SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY

Section One: Statement of Purpose

Pursuant to Section 7-273aa of the Connecticut General Statutes Annotated, which provides that any two or more Connecticut municipalities may, by concurrent ordinances of their legislative bodies, create a regional solid waste authority under the provisions of Sections 7-273aa to 7-273oo, inclusive ("Chapter 103b"), to jointly manage solid waste and recycling services on behalf of its members, the purpose of this Ordinance is to create such a regional authority to be known as the Central Connecticut Solid Waste Authority ("CCSWA"). Upon adoption of this Ordinance by two or more municipalities, CCSWA shall be created.

Section Two: Creation of the Regional Solid Waste Authority

CCSWA is hereby created as a regional authority under the provisions of Chapter 103b and shall have all the rights, powers, duties and obligations of a regional authority pursuant to Chapter 103b and Chapters 446d and 446e of the Connecticut General Statutes Annotated.

Section Three: Designation of Regional Solid Waste Authority

The Town of Somers (the "Municipality") hereby designates CCSWA as its regional solid waste authority, including its regional resource recovery authority, and adopts the provisions of Chapter 103b in connection with this election to become a member of CCSWA; provided, however, that this designation and membership election shall not constitute a commitment of the Municipality's solid waste or recycling streams, and provided further that the Municipality agrees that it shall take no action, now or in the future, contrary to its currently existing legal obligations and commitments, including, without limitation, making any pledge of its municipal solid waste or recycling streams to a disposal or recycling option chosen through CCSWA which has an effective date commencing prior to the expiration date of any currently existing waste stream commitment to another disposal or recycling arrangement. By adopting this Ordinance, the Municipality shall not be obligated now or in the future to make any such commitment of its solid waste or recycling streams, or to commit any funding toward CCSWA, without further express authorization by its legislative body.

Section Four: Purpose of the Authority

The purpose of CCSWA shall be to solicit and jointly manage solid waste and recycling services on behalf of its members.

Section Five: Principal Address of the Authority

The principal address of CCSWA shall be 241 Main Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06106, c/o the Capitol Region Council of Governments.

Section Six: Members of the Authority

The members of CCSWA shall be the municipalities, including the Municipality, which adopt this Ordinance. Each member municipality shall be assigned to one of four sub-regions of CCSWA: (1) the Northwest Sub-Region, (2) the Naugatuck Valley Sub-Region, (3) the Greater Capitol Sub-Region or (4) the Shoreline Sub-Region.

Section Seven: Voting System for Meetings of the Authority's Full Membership

The number of votes to be cast by each municipal member of CCSWA at any meeting of the authority's full membership shall be determined in accordance with the following five-tiered voting system based on the individual population of each municipal member compared to the total population of all CCSWA municipal members (all such population figures to be derived from the most recent annual data published by the Connecticut Department of Public Health):

(a) each municipal member whose individual population is less than one percent of the total population of all CCSWA municipal members shall have one vote;

(b) each municipal member whose individual population is equal to or greater than one percent, but less than two percent, of the total population of all CCSWA municipal members shall have two votes;

(c) each municipal member whose individual population is equal to or greater than two percent, but less than five percent, of the total population of all CCSWA municipal members shall have three votes;

(d) each municipal member whose individual population is equal to or greater than five percent, but less than ten percent, of the total population of all CCSWA municipal members shall have four votes; and

(e) each municipal member whose individual population is equal to or greater than ten percent of the total population of all CCSWA municipal members shall have five votes.

Section Eight: Appointment, Removal and Term of Office of a Municipal Member Representative

Each municipal member shall appoint one representative to CCSWA, which shall be the current chief elected official of the municipality or that official's designee, and that representative shall exercise the voting powers established for that municipal member as set forth in this Ordinance. As long as the method of appointment and removal and the term of office of each municipal member representative shall be consistent with the first sentence of this section, the details of such appointment, removal and term of office shall be as determined by the appointing municipality; provided however, that not more than half of the terms of all such municipal representatives shall expire within any one fiscal year.

Section Nine: Annual Meeting and By-Laws of the Authority

There shall be at least one annual meeting of all municipal members of CCSWA, to elect the members of the Executive Committee and enact such other business as shall be deemed advisable at such meeting, all as provided in the by-laws of CCSWA to be adopted after its formation. It shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of all CCSWA municipal members to enact the authority by-laws or adopt any amendments thereto, such vote to take place at a duly-called meeting of the full membership of CCSWA, with proxy voting to be permitted at such meeting.

Section Ten: Prohibition Against Member Monetary Compensation Other Than Host Community Compensation

The members and member representatives of CCSWA shall receive no monetary compensation solely for their service as members and member representatives of CCSWA; provided, however, that the ability of CCSWA, if it chooses to do so in its sole discretion, to pay host community compensation to municipal members which agree to host facilities owned or used by CCSWA within their municipal borders shall not be affected by this prohibition.

Section Eleven: Executive Committee of the Authority

The full membership of CCSWA shall elect an Executive Committee to manage the operations of CCSWA, provided, however, that the specific division of responsibilities for such management between the Executive Committee, the full membership of CCSWA and any other body or officer of CCSWA shall be consistent with the by-laws of CCSWA to be adopted after its formation. No member of CCSWA shall have more than one representative on the Executive Committee, and each member of the Executive Committee shall have one vote, without regard to the voting system established by Section 7 of this Ordinance for meetings of the authority's full membership. The members of such Executive Committee shall constitute an odd number, shall include at least one representative of each of the five voting tiers established pursuant to Section 7 of this Ordinance for meetings of the authority's full membership,

and shall also be determined by considerations of geographical representation based on the four sub-regions established under Section 6 of this Ordinance, all such matters and the terms of office and appointment of such Executive Committee members and other matters pertaining thereto to be specifically determined in a manner consistent with the by-laws of CCSWA to be adopted after its formation.

Section Twelve: Adoption

This Ordinance is hereby adopted pursuant to and in compliance with all laws governing the Municipality's adoption of ordinances.

Dated: _____, 2010