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## For Immediate Release

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## MAYOR OBERLIE ANNOUNCES SPRING CLEAN-UP PLANS

**Michigan City, IN---March 15, 2007 ---** Mayor Chuck Oberlie today announced the schedule for Michigan City's Spring Clean-Up and urges citizens to use this opportunity to spruce up their homes and neighborhoods in anticipation of warmer weather.

"Each year the efforts of the Michigan City Street, Refuse and Sanitation departments are pooled to provide spring clean up services for our residents." Mayor Oberlie stated, "This is a great opportunity to rid basements, garages and yards of debris that is unwanted." I am asking all residents to be conscientious and take pride in their neighborhoods during these six weeks of extra service of spring beautification for Michigan City.

Prior to the start of Spring Clean Up, I ask that all residents help us with post-winter litter by cleaning up litter like plastic bags, fast food containers and other trash that blew into yards and along roadways during the winter. "This would also be an excellent time to pick up any leftover debris that may have fallen during the ice storm that swept through our city on February 24th" said Mayor Oberlie. Before March 26th, special pick-ups in any area can be scheduled by calling 873-1500.

**Spring Clean Up 2007:**

Spring Clean Up begins March 26, 2007. The Refuse Department requests that all residents separate the debris that is to be discarded into the following three (3) categories.

1. Brush, limbs, shrubs, yard waste and concrete, (No black top)
2. Rugs, lumber, furniture and building materials of all sorts.
3. All tires rimmed or derimmed can be placed out for pick up with white goods such as stoves, refrigerator, air conditioners, water tanks, dehumidifiers, etc.

All three groups must be separate from each other. Residents may use curbside or alleys to put out their debris. The clean-up process is divided into three areas and the pick-up in each area will be the same day as your normal refuse pick-up day.

**The dates for your area pick-up will be as follows: (a map with description of the areas is attached)**

<b>AREA 1: MARCH 26 – MARCH 30</b>	<b>REPEATED APRIL 16 - APRIL 20</b>
<b>AREA 2: APRIL 2 - APRIL 6</b>	<b>REPEATED APRIL 23 - APRIL 27</b>
<b>AREA 3: APRIL 9- APRIL 13</b>	<b>REPEATED APRIL 30 - MAY 4</b>

**COMPOST INFORMATION**

Compost pick-ups will begin Monday, May 7, 2007, and will continue until November 16, 2007. You may use your garbage cans, cardboard boxes and/or paper bags. **NO PLASTIC BAGS** may be used for compost pick-ups. All compost pick-ups must be placed out on the curbside for removal and will not be picked up or removed from alleys. The resident will be responsible for getting their compost to the street. Listed below are the schedules for the regular trash pick-up and the corresponding pick-up day for the composting materials only.

**IF YOUR REGULAR PICK-UP IS:**

Monday  
Tuesday  
Wednesday  
Thursday  
Friday

**YOUR COMPOST DAY IS:**

Thursday  
Friday  
Monday  
Tuesday  
Wednesday