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I assent.

GEORGE TUPOU V, 23rd April, 2010.

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TO AMEND THE WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT

BE IT ENACTED by the King and Legislative Assembly in the Legislature of the Kingdom as follows:-

- **1.** (1) This Act may be cited as the Waste Management (Amendment) Act 2009.
 - (2) The Waste Management Act 2005 is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.
- **2.** Section 2 of the Principal Act is amended
 - (a) by deleting the words "the Authority" and the definition thereof, and substituting therefore the following word and definition:
 - "'Authority' means the Waste Authority Limited";
 - (b) in the English version only, by deleting the word "Ltd" in paragraph(a) of the definition of "approved Authority", and substituting therefore the word "Limited":
 - (c) in the English version only, by deleting the word "pusposes" in paragraph (b) of the definition of "waste", and substituting therefore the word "purposes".
- **3.** Section 4 of the Principal Act is amended in the English version only, by deleting the word "advise" wherever it appears, and substituting therefore the word "advice".
- 4. Section 8 of the Principal Act is amended by
 - (a) inserting the following as the new paragraph (d):
 - "(d) the issue of a licence to any person engaged in the commercial transportation of commercial wastes;"

- (b) re-numbering paragraphs (d), (e) and (f) as paragraphs (e), (f) and (g) respectively.
- **5.** Section 10(3) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the words "Minister of Finance" and inserting "Minister of Public Enterprises".
- **6.** The Principal Act is amended by inserting the following after section 11 as section 11A:
 - "11A. (1) The Board may delegate to the Chief Executive Officer any of the functions of an approved Authority, other than the following-
 - (a) the appointment of a Chief Executive Officer;
 - (b) the setting of any fee or charge;
 - (c) the borrowing of money;
 - (d) the approval of the operating plans;
 - (e) the approval of re-votes for expenditure on works, services or operations;
 - (f) the purchase, sale, exchange or surrender of any land or other property;
 - (g) the approval of tenders and contractors;
 - (h) the approval of the Statement of Corporate Intent for the approved Authority.
 - (2) The Chief Executive Officer of an approved Authority may delegate any of his functions to another employee of an approved Authority."
- 7. Section 13(1) of the Principal Act is amended
 - (a) in paragraph (a) by inserting the words "or monthly" after the word "annual";
 - (b) in paragraph (b) of the English version only, by deleting the word "the" and substituting therefore the word "a".
- **8.** Section 17(4) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the words "Minister of Finance" and inserting Minister of Public Enterprises.
- **9.** Section 23(3) of the Principal Act is amended, in the English version only, by deleting the word "in" before the word "offence" and substituting therefore the word "an".
- **10.** Section 24 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting the following as subsection (6)-
 - "(6) Any person engaged in the commercial transportation of commercial wastes without a licence issued by an approved Authority commits an offence and shall upon conviction be liable to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years or both."