



City of Lawrence Spring Compost Sale March 23-24, 2012

The City's Spring Compost Sale was scheduled for Friday, March 23rd from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm and Saturday, March 24th from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Compost was offered on a first-come, first-served basis until the supply was depleted. The sale sold out at approximately 2:45 pm on Friday. The weather on Friday started off cool, but ended sunny and 70 degrees. The compost sold was a mix of 2011's May/June and July/August composted yard trimmings. The compost was sold for \$10 per scoop, which is approximately 3 cubic yards, or it was free for self-loaders.

A total of 626 vehicles entered our facility on Friday (Table 1). Well organized traffic queuing ensured safe access, egress, and loading for a variety of vehicle types. There were no accidents at this sale. The Compost Sale started with approximately 1,231 cubic yards (677 tons) of compost from May-August yard trimmings that was screened, tested, and ready for distribution. A total of \$5,950 was generated during the compost sale.

Table 1: Number of new and repeat customers each day and the total over the three-day period.

	Fri., Mar. 23 rd	Sat., Mar. 24 th	Total
New Customers	512	N/A	512
Repeat Customers	114	N/A	114
Total (each day)	626	N/A	626



Many people do not have access to trucks or need large amounts of compost, so a large pile of compost on the north side of the pad was created to accommodate self-loaders.



The majority of vehicles through our facility were trucks, which were loaded with either of two front end loaders.