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Agreement Brings 2nd “Green” Energy Generation Plant to Ada County’s Renewable Energy Industrial Park

(Boise, ID) – In their first official act related to the formation of the Ada Renewable Technology Industrial Complex (ARTIC) at Ada County’s Hidden Hollow Landfill, the Board of Ada County Commissioners has signed an agreement with Dynamis Energy, LLC (www.dynamisenergy.com) to design, build and operate a state-of-the-art waste to energy plant that converts Municipal Solid Waste (household trash) and tires into electricity.

“This is the second of what we hope will be many renewable energy projects located at the County’s new renewable energy industrial park,” said Ada County Commission Chairman Fred Tilman. “To think that trash can be turned into something so valuable is a true testament of the hi-tech world we all live in – technology has literally found a new way to turn trash into treasure.” Ada County currently maintains a partnership with Fortistar – a private company that purchases the landfill’s methane gas – a byproduct of decomposing trash – to power turbines that generate electricity sold on the open market.

Dynamis Energy, LLC, based in Eagle, Idaho and led by veteran technology executive C Lloyd Mahaffey, approached the Board of Commissioners several weeks ago regarding their proprietary waste to energy system. Commissioners have since realized the County landfill is likely the perfect home for many other renewable energy technologies. Since issuing its Request for Expressions of Interest (RFI) to potential partners, the County has heard from several entities interested in exploring the co-location of wind, solar, and other “green” energy generation projects on the 2700 acre landfill property.

“We have the land and the resources – there is no downside to partnering with entities that have viable plans for renewable energy projects” stated Ada County Commissioner Sharon Ullman. “We live in a day and age where we all must approach old problems in new ways. With America’s continued dependence on foreign oil and other fossil fuels it’s nice to know Ada County is embarking on a project that lowers costs to taxpayers, creates jobs in our community, generates power, reduces waste and helps the environment all at the same time. It is a win-win-win situation!”

In its agreement with Dynamis Energy, the County agreed to lease landfill property to the company for \$1 a year for 20 years. In exchange, Dynamis will build a plant capable of disposing of 250 tons of trash, tires, and other forms of solid waste each day. Ada County Commissioner Rick Yzaguirre said, “Converting trash into renewable energy helps solve a variety of problems associated with the high-cost of traditional solid waste disposal. The Dynamis project not only reduces how much garbage we need to store, but it also cuts costs associated with constantly building new landfill space to accommodate future generations.”

Dynamis Energy will soon launch its design-and-permitting phase and is expected to hold an official news conference introducing its project to the community later this summer.