

Request for Bids

Baltimore County is requesting pricing for commodities for pickup at the Cockeysville, MD Materials Recovery Facility, located at:

**10275 Beaver Dam Road
Cockeysville, MD 21030**

This solicitation covers the period 3/1/2025 through 3/31/2025

Pricing is due no later than 12:00 PM ET on 2/25/2025

We strongly recommend that you submit bids by 11:45 AM ET on that date. We cannot accept bids submitted after 12:00 Noon ET. By submitting a bid, you agree that you will collect material beginning on the first business day of the period, **3/3/2025**.

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OCC – Old Cardboard Containers

Period Beginning	3/1/2025
Material Type	OCC - Cardboard
Total Tons for Sale	1650

Please be sure that your prices reflect the minimum weights.

Minimum weights are:

Domestic loads - 40,000 lb.

Export loads - 50,000 lb.

The County reserves the right to select one or more vendors for each salable material.

All payments must be made in U.S. dollars.

Specifications for OCC

Date of OCC Moisture Test	2/13/2025
Material	OCC
Inspector	Trevor Hummel
Witness	Bill Olfson
Time of Test	09:05
Ambient Temperature (f)	36
Humidity Level	97%
Barometric Pressure	30
Average Moisture Reading	7.75%
Date of OCC Contaminant Test	2/13/2025
Material	OCC
Inspector	Trevor Hummel
Witness	Bill Olfson
Bale Weight (lbs.)	700
Full Container Weight (lbs.)	26.8
Empty Container Weight (lbs.)	20.2
Net Contaminant Weight (lbs.)	6.6
Net Contaminant	.94%

- 1) Materials Supply – recycled OCC from the Central Acceptance Facility (hereinafter “CAF”).
- 2) Buyer’s Responsibilities – The Buyer shall accept all recycled OCC generated from the CAF, provided that the recycled OCC substantially conforms to standard industry specifications. Loads must meet a minimum weight as established in the pricing request. If loads do not meet the minimum, the Buyer may charge a dead freight deduction. The deduction is determined by the shortfall in weight actually shipped below the minimum weight times the actual freight rate cost per ton charged to the Buyer for that particular load.
- 3) When called by the County, the Buyer shall make best efforts to provide transportation from the CAF to its markets within forty-eight (48) hours. All trucks must fit completely on the scales at CAF. No split weighing will be permitted.
- 4) Weights will be based on the certified scales at the Central Acceptance Facility in Baltimore County. The Buyer may contest any weights with a difference of greater than two percent (2%). The Buyer shall market the material to a processor who will process OCC into a raw material to produce a recycled product. No material (except residue) shall be sent directly to a landfill or disposal facility.
- 5) Title and risk of loss will pass to the Buyer upon pick-up at the CAF.

Photos of OCC

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MRP – Mixed Recycled Paper

Period Beginning	3/1/2025
Material Type	Mixed Paper
Total Tons for Sale	550

Please be sure that your prices reflect the minimum weights.

Minimum weights are:

Domestic loads - 40,000 lb.

Export loads - 52,000 lb.

The County reserves the right to select one or more vendors for each salable material.

All payments must be made in U.S. dollars.

Specifications for Paper

Date of MRP Moisture Test	2/13/2025
Material	Mixed Paper
Witness	Bill Olfson
Inspector	Trevor Hummel
Time of Test	09:00
Ambient Temperature (f)	36
Humidity Level	97%
Barometric Pressure	30
Average Moisture Reading	10.03%

Date of MRP Contaminant Test	2/13/2025
Material	Mixed Paper
Inspector	Trevor Hummel
Witness	Bill Olfson
Bale Weight (lbs.)	600
Full Container Weight (lbs.)	25.4
Empty Container Weight (lbs.)	20.2
Net Contaminant Weight (lbs.)	5.2
Net Contaminant Ratio	.87%

- 1) Materials Supply – Baled mixed paper generated from the CAF.
- 2) Buyer’s Responsibilities – The Buyer shall accept the baled mixed paper from the CAF that generally meets industry standards.
- 3) The Buyer shall provide transportation of the material to its markets. Loads must meet a minimum weight as established in the pricing request. If loads do not meet the minimum, the Buyer may charge a dead freight deduction. The deduction is determined by the shortfall in weight actually shipped below the minimum weight times the actual freight rate cost per ton charged to the Buyer for that particular load.
- 4) When called by the County, the Buyer shall make best efforts to provide transportation from the CAF to its markets within forty-eight (48) hours. All trucks must fit completely on the scales at CAF. No split weighing will be permitted.
- 5) Weights will be based on the certified scales at the Central Acceptance Facility in Baltimore County. The Buyer may contest any weights with a difference of greater than two percent (2%). The Buyer shall market the material to a processor who will process

the baled mixed paper into a raw material to produce a recycled product. No material (except residue) shall be sent directly to a landfill or disposal facility.

6) Title and risk of loss will pass to the Buyer upon pick-up at the CAF.

Photos of Recyclable Mixed Paper

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UBC – Aluminum

Period Beginning	3/1/2025
Material Type	UBC
Total Tons for Sale	40

Specifications for Aluminum Cans

- 1) Materials Supply – recycled aluminum (with minimal non-can material) from the Central Acceptance Facility (hereinafter “CAF”).
- 2) Buyer’s Responsibilities – The Buyer shall accept all recycled aluminum generated from the CAF, provided that the recycled aluminum substantially conforms to standard industry specifications.
- 3) No load of recycled aluminum cans provided by County may exceed four percent (4%) moisture, by weight. If a load does contain more than four percent (4%) moisture, the Buyer may claim a credit towards the amount due the County. The amount of the credit shall be equal to the applicable price per pound of aluminum then in effect, multiplied by the sum of:
 - a) the percentage of moisture content that exceeds four percent (4%); and
 - b) two percent (2%) of the weight of the load. For example, if a load were found to contain 4.8 percent moisture, the 0.8 percent is added to a 2 percent base, and the Buyer could claim a credit in the amount of 2.8% of the weight of the load multiplied by the purchase price.
- 4) For any moisture credit, the Buyer shall provide information to the County within one (1) week of notification concerning the claimed credit, including but not limited to:
 - a) Date the load was picked up by the Buyer
 - b) Total weight of the load
 - c) Amount of Moisture Deduction (in weight and percentage)
 - d) Mill Documentation (including analysis)
 - e) Photographs of the load
 - i) If the County believes that the claimed credit is unreasonable, the County shall notify the Buyer and the parties shall attempt to negotiate a resolution to the dispute.
- 5) The Buyer shall provide transportation of the material to its markets. Loads must meet a minimum weight of 40,000 pounds. If loads do not meet the 40,000-pound minimum, the Buyer may charge a dead freight deduction. The deduction is determined by the shortfall in weight below 40,000 pounds actually shipped times the actual freight rate cost per ton charged to the Buyer for that particular load.
- 6) When called by the County, the Buyer shall make best efforts to provide transportation from the CAF to its markets within forty-eight (48) hours. All trucks must fit completely on the scales at CAF. No split weighing will be permitted.
- 7) Weights will be based on the certified scales at the Central Acceptance Facility in Baltimore County. The Buyer may contest any weights with a difference of greater than two percent (2%). The Buyer shall market the material to a processor who will process the aluminum into a raw material to produce a recycled product.
- 8) No material (except residue) shall be sent directly to a landfill or disposal facility.
- 9) Title and risk of loss will pass to the Buyer upon pick-up at the CAF.

Photos of UBC – Aluminum Used Beverage Containers

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Steel Cans

Period Beginning	3/1/2025
Material Type	Steel
Short Tons for Sale	80

- 1) Materials Supply – recycled Steel Cans from the Central Acceptance Facility (hereinafter “CAF”).
- 2) Buyer’s Responsibilities – The Buyer shall accept all steel cans generated by the County that meet the requirements described below. The bales of material can contain used steel cans, bi-metal cans, empty aerosol cans and one gallon steel paint cans. The bales must be reasonably free of paper, cardboard, glass, oils, grease, cloth, concrete, dirt, trash, electrical wire, excessive paints, plastic, wood, debris, rubber and other non-ferrous materials. If excessive contaminants are found, the Buyer shall notify the County, take photos of the load and if mutually agreeable, re-grade the load or return it at the County’s expense. If the Buyer finds prohibited materials such as hazardous waste, closed containers or radioactive contamination, it may reject the material and hold the load. The Buyer will notify the County and the County will be responsible for transportation costs.
- 3) The Buyer shall provide transport of the material to its markets. Loads must meet a minimum weight of 40,000 lbs. If loads do not meet the 40,000 lb minimum, the Buyer may charge a dead freight deduction. The deduction is determined by the shortfall in weight below 40,000 pounds actually shipped times the actual freight rate cost per ton charged to the Buyer for that load.
- 4) When called by the County, the Buyer shall make best efforts to provide transportation from the CAF to its markets within forty-eight (48) hours. All trucks must fit completely on the scales at CAF. No split weighing will be permitted.
- 5) Weights will be based on the certified scales at the Central Acceptance Facility in Baltimore County. The Buyer may contest any weights with a difference of greater than two percent (2%). The Buyer shall market the material to a processor who will process the steel cans into a raw material to produce a recycled product. No material (except residue) shall be sent directly to a landfill or disposal facility.
- 6) Title and risk of loss will pass to the Buyer upon pick-up at the CAF.

Photos of Steel Cans:

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HDPE Color, Natural, PET, and Rigids

Period Beginning	3/1/2025
Material Types	HDPE Color, HDPE Natural, PET
PET (tons)	160
HDPE Natural (tons)	40
HDPE Color (tons)	60
Rigid Plastics (tons)	30

Please be sure that your prices reflect the minimum weights.

The County reserves the right to select one or more vendors for each salable material. All payments must be made in U.S. dollars.

Specifications for Plastics

1. Materials Supply – recycled plastic variants from the Central Acceptance Facility (hereinafter “CAF”).
2. Buyer’s Responsibilities - The Buyer shall accept recyclable plastics generated by the County that conforms to the following requirements: The bales of material shall not include acids, pesticides, chemicals, and medical or hospital containers. The bales must be reasonably free of other plastics, metal, cans, glass, paper, stones, and wood. If excessive contaminants are found, the Buyer shall notify the County, take photographs of the load and if mutually agreeable, regrade the load or return it at the County’s expense. If, after inspection, the Buyer finds hazardous waste or radioactive contamination, it will reject the material and hold the load. The Buyer will notify the County of the rejection.
3. The Buyer shall be solely responsible for providing transportation of the material to its facility. If loaded by the County, the loads must meet a minimum weight of 35,000 pounds. If a load does not meet the 35,000-pound limit, County will be subject to the following price reductions to cover the added freight:
 - a. Less than 35,000 pounds, deduct ½ cent per pound for each pound actually shipped.
 - b. Less than 30,000 pounds, deduct 1 cent per pound for each pound actually shipped
 - c. Less than 25,000 pounds, deduct 1 ½ cents per pound for each pound actually shipped
 - d. Less than 20,000 pounds, deduct 2 cents per pound for each pound actually shipped, or reject the shipment and return to County.
4. **The County will load containers to the fullest extent practicable. If the County cannot load enough material to meet the 35,000-pound minimum described above, it will not be responsible for any light weight charges.**
5. When called by the County, the Buyer shall make best efforts to provide transportation from the CAF to its markets within forty-eight (48) hours. All trucks must fit completely on the scales at CAF. No split weighing will be permitted.
6. Weights will be based on the certified scales at the Central Acceptance Facility in Baltimore County. The Buyer may contest any weights with a difference of greater than two percent (2%). The Buyer shall market the material to a processor who will process the plastic into a raw material to produce a recycled product. No material (except residue) shall be sent directly to a landfill or disposal facility.
7. Title and risk of loss will pass to the Buyer upon pick-up at the CAF.

Photos of Commodities

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HDPE Color Photos



HDPE Natural Photos



PET Photos



Rigid Photos

