

# Press Release

## Clean Harbors Announces Appointment of John R. Beals as Corporate Controller

*Company Enhances Management Team with 30-Year Veteran*

**Norwell, MA – August 14, 2006** – Clean Harbors, Inc. (“Clean Harbors”) (NASDAQ: CLHB), the leading provider of environmental and hazardous waste management services throughout North America, today announced that John R. Beals, 51, has been appointed Vice President and Corporate Controller.

“John brings 30 years of diverse financial and accounting experience to the Clean Harbors team,” said James M. Rutledge, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. “John’s credentials make him an ideal candidate for this position. We believe his diverse background will translate well into our finance organization. In addition, he will be an important asset to our ongoing cost reduction initiatives, as well as the continuing expansion of our business.”

Beals’ responsibilities will involve all aspects of accounting and financial reporting at Clean Harbors, including SEC compliance, internal and external financial reporting, internal controls and financial procedures, budgeting, development of financial and managerial accounting systems, and the financial integration of acquired businesses. Beals succeeds Carl Paschetag who departed from the Company in January of 2006. He will report directly to James M. Rutledge, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer.

Prior to his new role at Clean Harbors, Beals was Vice President and Corporate Controller at 3Com. Before that, he was at The First Years Inc., for 19 years where he held positions of increasing responsibility, including Treasurer, Controller and Chief Financial Officer, Senior Vice President-Finance. He began his career with Deloitte & Touche and was promoted to the level of audit manager with the firm. Beals, a certified public accountant, holds a bachelor’s degree in accounting from the University of Massachusetts.

### **About Clean Harbors, Inc.**

Clean Harbors, Inc. is North America’s leading provider of environmental and hazardous waste management services. With an unmatched infrastructure of 48 waste management facilities, including nine landfills, five incineration locations and seven wastewater treatment centers, the Company provides essential services to over 45,000 customers, including more than 175 Fortune 500 companies, thousands of smaller private entities and numerous federal, state and local governmental agencies. Headquartered in Norwell, Massachusetts, Clean Harbors has more than 100 locations strategically positioned throughout North America in 36 U.S. states, six Canadian provinces, Mexico and Puerto Rico. For more information, visit [www.cleanharbors.com](http://www.cleanharbors.com).



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### Safe Harbor Statement

Any statements contained herein that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, and involve risks and uncertainties. These forward-looking statements are generally identifiable by use of the words “believes,” “expects,” “intends,” “anticipates,” “plans to,” “estimates,” “projects,” or similar expressions. These forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those reflected in these forward-looking statements. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which reflect management’s opinions only as of the date hereof. The Company undertakes no obligation to revise or publicly release the results of any revision to these forward-looking statements other than through its various filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

A variety of factors beyond the control of the Company may affect the Company’s performance, including, but not limited to:

- The Company’s ability to close its announced acquisition of Teris in a timely fashion, if at all, and successfully integrate its operations and assets into its existing network of services and disposal facilities;
- The Company’s ability to manage the significant environmental liabilities which it assumed in connection with the CSD acquisition;
- The availability and costs of liability insurance and financial assurance required by governmental entities relating to our facilities;
- The effects of general economic conditions in the United States, Canada and other territories and countries where the Company does business;
- The effect of economic forces and competition in specific marketplaces where the Company competes;
- The possible impact of new regulations or laws pertaining to all activities of the Company’s operations;
- The outcome of litigation or threatened litigation or regulatory actions;
- The effect of commodity pricing on overall revenues and profitability;
- Possible fluctuations in quarterly or annual results or adverse impacts on the Company’s results caused by the adoption of new accounting standards or interpretations or regulatory rules and regulations;
- The effect of weather conditions or other aspects of the forces of nature on field or facility operations;
- The effects of industry trends in the environmental services and waste handling marketplace; and
- The effects of conditions in the financial services industry on the availability of capital and financing.



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Any of the above factors and numerous others not listed nor foreseen may adversely impact the Company's financial performance. Additional information on the potential factors that could affect the Company's actual results of operations is included in its filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, which may be viewed on the Investor portal of the Company's Web Page at [www.cleanharbors.com](http://www.cleanharbors.com).

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