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Yard Waste Service Available in Columbus

COLUMBUS, Ohio – Rumpke will offer City of Columbus residents weekly yard waste service on a subscription basis beginning April 20, 2009.

Residents can start signing-up immediately for the service which will cost \$49.50 for the six month season from mid-April to mid-October 2009. The cost remains the same no matter when a resident signs-up for service. Rumpke will collect up to 15 bags, bundles or containers of yard waste per household each week.

“Rumpke appreciates the opportunity to once again offer yard waste collection for Columbus residents,” said Andrew Rumpke, vice president at Rumpke. “We have received many phone calls and e-mails, and our well-trained employees are prepared and excited to hit the streets.”

To begin service, residents may call Rumpke at 1-888-786-7531. Sign-up forms and other guidelines are available online at www.rumpke.com.

Yard waste typically consists of organic waste such as grass clippings, leaves, twigs, branches, shrubbery and other garden residues generated during regular household gardening and landscaping activities. Loose materials should be placed in biodegradable (paper) bags or in rigid containers marked “Yard Waste.” Bags are generally available for purchase at home improvement or grocery retail stores. Branches should be cut to four foot lengths and tied with twine or string into bundles no wider than two feet. Each bag, bundle or container must weigh less than 50 pounds.

In 2007 and 2008, Rumpke collected more than 55,000 tons of yard waste from Columbus residents, including nearly 3,000 tons of debris after the hurricane-like windstorm in September 2008.

Rumpke Consolidated Companies, Inc. is one of the nation’s largest privately owned, residential and commercial waste and recycling firms. Rumpke provides service to areas of Ohio, Kentucky, West Virginia and Indiana. The Rumpke business began in 1932, and its regional operation is located in Columbus, Ohio.

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