



## SAFETY MONDAY

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### EIA Driver of the Year – Calling Small Haulers and Local Governments

The *EIA Driver of the Year* program recognizes the safest and best refuse drivers in the solid waste industry. There are **seven** categories: small residential; small commercial; small industrial; large residential; large commercial; large industrial; and public sector. The awards are given at WasteExpo at the EIA Inspirational Awards Breakfast.

EIA recently made several important changes to the *EIA Driver of the Year* program. These changes were intended to improve the program and ensure that the best drivers – from small, large and municipal haulers – are nominated and received these prestigious awards.

An important change to the program is that only companies with 50 or fewer vehicles are eligible to win the three “small hauler” categories. EIA did not receive many “small hauler” or municipal applicants last year, and urges small haulers and local governments to participate in the program.

If you are a small hauler, or a municipal sanitation department, and have a driver with a good safety record, **what are you waiting for?** Just being nominated for EIA Driver of the Year would be great honor for one or more of your drivers. If you have not previously nominated one of your drivers – now is the time to do so! The changes to the program were made to encourage more smaller haulers to nominate their best drivers. **The nomination deadline is December 5, 2008.** Additional info about the program and the nomination form is [here](#). Good luck!



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