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RE: Waste Management – Independent Assurance Statement for 2026 Sustainability Data & Metrics report (Reporting Year 2025)

INTRODUCTION

Aster Global Environmental Solutions, Inc. (“Aster Global”) was commissioned by the Sustainability Impact Team of Waste Management National Services, Inc. (“WM”) to carry out an independent verification of its 2026 Sustainability Data & Metrics report (RY2025) assertions. WM voluntarily discloses sustainability data related to several topic areas including, but not limited to, operations, environment, workforce, community, governance and economic impact.

WM has sole responsibility for preparation of the data and external report. Aster Global, in performing our assurance work, is responsible to the management of WM. Our assurance statement, however, is an external audit and represents our independent opinion and is intended to inform all stakeholders, including WM.

SCOPE OF ASSURANCE

The scope of work agreed with WM included the following:

- Assessment of the data provided in the 2026 Sustainability Data & Metrics report (RY2025) and supporting data including: organizational boundaries; activities, technologies and processes of the organization; time periods covered; emissions factors and assumptions; appropriateness and opportunity for errors; management and operational systems; and completeness of the data gathering processes.
- This assurance only covers the categories detailed in the table below.
- All data was verified for the period between 01 January 2025 to 31 December 2025.
- The assurance was completed between April 2026 and June 2026.
- Assurance was carried out to a limited level of assurance.
- The assessment was conducted using the ISO 14064-3; ISO 14065 and ISO/IEC 17029 Standards.

VERIFICATION METHODOLOGY

Aster Global is accredited by the ANSI National Accreditation Board (ANAB) under ISO 14065:2020; ISO 14064-3:2019 and ISO/IEC 17029. It is important to note that while Aster Global is an accredited validation/verification body under ANAB, this assessment does not fall under our

accredited Validation/Verification Body (VVB) services as it is not being reported to a program affiliated with ANAB. Aster Global followed our internal management system and audit procedures and requirements during this verification.

The following methods were applied during the assessment of the WM 2026 Sustainability Data & Metrics report (RY2025) and management processes, the data that supports the company's data, and the assertions presented by the company:

- Review of documentation, data records and sources relating to the corporate data.
- Review of the processes and tools used to collect, aggregate and report the data.
- Interviews with Sustainability Impact team members and subject matter experts representing relevant functions for supporting the management process at the corporate level.
- Assessment of information systems and controls, including:
 - Selection and management of all relevant data and information;
 - Processes for collecting, processing, consolidating, and reporting data and information;
 - Systems and processes that ensure the accuracy of the data and information;
 - Design and maintenance of the information system; and
 - Systems and processes that support the information systems.
- Performed sample-based audits of the processes for generating, gathering and managing the quantitative and qualitative data included in the WM 2026 Sustainability Data & Metrics report (RY2025) and supporting data.
- Examination of the data and information to develop evidence for the assessment of the assertions.
- Confirmation of whether or not the organization conforms to assessment criteria.
- Evaluation of whether the evidence and data are sufficient and support WM's sustainability assertions.

CONCLUSIONS

The information presented in the 2026 Sustainability Data & Metrics report (RY2025) (16 June 2026) are:

Performance Indicator	Subcategory
Economic Impact	
Operations	Facilities
	Fleet
	Materials Managed
	Customers
Environment	Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions - Carbon Intensity
	Energy Consumption
	Landfill Gas
	Waste & Water

	Environmental
Workforce	Safety
	Employees
	Workforce Analytics
Community	Social Impact
	Charitable Contributions
	Environmental Stewardship
Governance	Board of Directors
	Political & Lobbying Contributions
	Ethics Reporting

Based on the process, procedures and review completed to a limited level of assurance, Aster Global concludes that nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the data presented in WM's 2026 Sustainability Data & Metrics report (RY2025) is not materially correct. The assertions are a fair representation of the data and information, and Aster Global found no discrepancies with the methods referenced above nor with WM's summing and round approach presented.

INDEPENDENCE

As an independent third-party verifier, Aster Global was not involved in the preparation of any part of WM's data or report. We followed the ISO requirements and processes for assessments, verifications and audits and adopted a balanced approach towards all stakeholders when performing our evaluation.

Sincerely yours,
ASTER GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS

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