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## PRESS RELEASE

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### **New landfill equipment delivered in Ahumada, Chihuahua**

- Purchased with grant funds from the North American Development Bank

*Ahumada, Chihuahua.* –New equipment was delivered today for the optimal operation of the municipal landfill in Ahumada, Chihuahua, which is located about 75 miles south of Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua. The equipment was financed with a US\$300,000 grant from the North American Development Bank through its Community Assistance Program (CAP).

The Mexican Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources (SEMARNAT) provided support to community for the construction of a sanitary landfill aimed at improving solid waste management in compliance with Mexican federal regulations. The new landfill is designed to include one cell with an overall expected useful life of 20 years, based on the estimated generation of 10 tons of waste/day.

A 4-ton flatbed truck and a 2000-gallon water truck to control dust was delivered to the City today. The NADB grant will also cover a mini skid steer with backhoe and compacting attachments to be delivered in September, among additional equipment. This equipment will allow the Municipality to improve its waste management and disposal operations significantly, as well as reduce the risk of water and soil contamination

Ahumada provides waste collection services to 100% of its residents and the collected solid waste is disposed of in a site that does not comply with Mexican regulations. Once operations begin in the new sanitary landfill, the Municipality will work with the state government to close the current open dumpsite.

“This project is an example of the different levels of government coming together to support small communities that do not have sufficient resources to improve basic services,” stated NADB Managing Director Alex Hinojosa. “NADB is pleased to support Ahumada in acquiring the equipment needed to ensure the efficient operation of the landfill, which will prevent water and ground contamination”.

This Project was approved by the Board of Directors on June 16, 2016.

Funded from NADB’s retained earnings, the CAP program offers grant financing for up to US\$500,000 to support the implementation of critical environmental infrastructure projects sponsored by public entities in low-income communities in the U.S.-Mexico border region. Grants are available for projects in all environmental sectors eligible for NADB financing, with priority given to drinking water, wastewater, water conservation and solid waste projects.

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*NADB is a financial institution established and capitalized in equal parts by the United States and Mexico for the purpose of financing environmental infrastructure projects along their common border. As a pioneer institution in its*

*field, the Bank is working to develop environmentally and financially sustainable projects with broad community support in a framework of close cooperation and coordination between Mexico and the United States.*

*On November 10, 2017, NADB and the Border Environment Cooperation Commission (BECC) were merged into a single institution. The functions of BECC have been fully integrated into NADB, thereby streamlining the project development process, making more efficient use of resources and maximizing service to border communities.*