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Litter and Illegal Dumping

Thank you for coming here today for this event. Beaufort County is cleaning up and cracking down.

We want everyone to know that illegal littering and illegal dumping laws have come a long, long way. We have brought county laws into conformity with the State's and this means bigger fines and longer jail terms. We also have a new and stronger enforcement.

As Chairman of County Council's Public Services Committee; I am directly involved in the approval process for solid waste expenditures when they are first presented. It is not an understatement to say that trash disposal is expensive. It costs the county millions of dollars each year. On top of that, if we didn't have to pay extra to clean up illegal dump sites, we would be in a better position to fund new libraries, recreational facilities and new roadways and possibly lower taxes. Beaufort County has fine solid waste convenience centers and if everyone used them ...and used them properly... we would save money and help the environment.

You will hear more about the strict new laws a little later today and we hope you will help us get the word out. Now it is my pleasure to introduce Mr. Gary Kubic, Beaufort County Administrator, who has been referred to by one local newspaper as "Mr. Clean".