The Environmental Benefits of Food Waste Disposers: A Sampling of Public Endorsements

- **NAHB National Green Building Standard** (released 2009) awards one point for inclusion of a food waste disposer in single and multi-family homes.

  Source:
  NAHB, National Green Building Standard.™ Washington, D.C., Builder Books, 2009

- **Battery Park City Authority (NYC),** – which pioneered green building guidelines – required disposers in its last five residential buildings, and the New York City Housing Authority decided after several pilots to make disposers a standard appliance in its kitchen renovation program.

  Source:
  http://www.multihousingnews.com/multihousing/content_display/features/e3i3429e07b4feb0c531c859b5d2b610d68, www.multihousingnews.com,
  "Food Waste Matters", Dec. 04, 2007, Multi-Housing News. Retrieved Jan. 15, 2009

- **Herfordshire and Worcestershire County (UK)** Both councils are leading the way in helping residents deal with the enormous amount of food waste that ends up in Worcestershire's landfill sites by offering them up to £80 towards the cost of buying and installing a food waste disposer.

  Source:
  http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/council_gov_democracy/news/31501.asp ,
  www.herefordshire.gov.uk, "Council celebrates Sink Your Waste milestone", Aug. 2007, Herfordshire Council. Retrieved Jan. 15, 2009

- **New York City Dept. of Environmental Protection** - In its study, "The Impact of Food Waste Disposers in Combined Sewer Areas of New York City, 1997," concluded that the potential impacts from expanded use of residential food waste disposers would be minimal and the public benefits significant. New York subsequently lifted the prohibition on residential disposers.

  Source:
  New York City Department of Environmental Protection. June 1997. "The Impact of Food Waste Disposers in Combined Sewer Areas of New York City."

- **Stockholm, Sweden** - Water Board Chairman said the board wants to increase the amount of organic material in the wastewater treatment plants to stimulate biogas production and encourages residents to purchase and use disposers. He said food waste disposers are good for the environment and reduce road transport.

  Source:
  Translated from Svenska Dagbladet, Sept. 1, 2008. Gustaffson, Anna. "Fees for FWDs abolished."

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