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### **Alpine Named State's Most Outstanding Business for Recycling**

DENVER ( May 21, 2009) -- Colorado's foremost organization of recycling experts and advocates has recognized Denver-based Alpine Waste & Recycling as the state's most outstanding business for its recycling/diversion program.

The Colorado Association for Recycling singled out Alpine and its Altogether Recycling™ service for its "long-term dedication, innovation and inspiration for recycling in Colorado" while handing out its 2009 honors. The announcement of the Outstanding Business Recycling/Diversion Program Award came at the recent 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Summit for Recycling, Colorado's premier recycling conference in Vail, Colo., attended by 175 recycling professionals.

"This honor is particularly gratifying because it comes from our peers in the CAFR," said Brent Hildebrand, vice president of recycling for Alpine. "It's a strong testament to our commitment to making recycling easy for our customers."

The CAFR noted that Alpine Waste & Recycling "vaulted to the front of Colorado's recycling efforts after the completion of its Altogether Recycling Plant in 2007." The single-stream facility sorts materials on-site, eliminating the hassle and the excuses for customers who no longer have to separate recyclables into three separate bins. In 2008, Alpine Waste & Recycling built on its initial success and dedicated its operations to fostering metro-wide recycling efforts. The company opened its facilities to touring school groups, community organizations, independent waste haulers and others – showcasing and sharing its cutting-edge plant to help promote recycling across the Front Range.

In 2008, Alpine's Altogether Recycling Plant processed 35,000 tons of material that otherwise might have ended up in the landfill. Alpine's new recycling plant also saved an estimated 90,000

cubic yards of landfill space, 604,000 gallons of gasoline, 428,000 trees, 176 million gallons of water, 11.6 million gallons of oil and 106.8 million kilowatt hours of electricity.

“The numbers reflect how aggressively and innovatively Alpine has promoted recycling,” said Marjorie Griek, executive director of the CAFR. The Colorado recycling organization brings together individuals and leaders in business, education, nonprofits and state and local government to turn ever-greater amounts of waste into resources.

### **About Alpine Waste & Recycling**

Recognized as a 2008 Top Company in Colorado, Alpine Waste & Recycling is the largest privately held commercial waste and recycling collection company in the Denver area. Alpine was founded in 1999 as a single-truck operation called Alpine Disposal, the company has parlayed a customer-service focus into a compound annual revenue growth rate of greater than 50 percent. With more than 40 trucks and more than 100 employees, Alpine hauls more than 100,000 tons of waste and recycle products per year. Featuring “Altogether Recycling™, Alpine is the first company in Colorado to process recycling material competitively on a single-stream basis. For information go to [www.alpinewaste.com](http://www.alpinewaste.com) or call 303-744-9881.