Alpine Waste & Recycling expands composting service with purchase of Waste Farmers’ collection routes

* A step forward for composting and sustainable agriculture in Colorado

COMMERCE CITY, Colo. (Dec. 14, 2011) — Alpine Waste & Recycling, the largest independent waste and recycling company in Colorado, announced today that it has agreed to provide service on all the compost collection routes of Denver-based Waste Farmers. As a result of Alpine’s acquisition of Waste Farmers’ 96 commercial accounts, Alpine’s composting business will almost double and the company will expand its compost collection service to five days a week.

“This deal makes great business sense in that it is a perfect match of two like-minded companies,” said John-Paul Maxfield, founder of Waste Farmers. “I know Alpine puts the same emphasis we do on providing the highest level of customer service. We know our customers will be in good hands.”

Waste Farmers, named Green Business of the Year in 2010 by the Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce, is a next-generation sustainable agriculture company focused on helping humanity meet current and future food demands while decreasing agriculture’s environmental footprint.

“This deal with Alpine allows Waste Farmers to continue execution of our strategy to bring our flagship ‘Food for Soil’ products (our premium potting mix and planting mix) to retail market in 2012,” Maxfield said. “It also allows us to scale our ‘Microbe Brewery’ to further establish our market position as a craft manufacturer and marketer of branded organic fertilizer products for farmers and gardeners.”

Alpine was the first company in the Denver area to offer commercial composting service as early as the spring of 2007. The transaction with Waste Farmers will likely translate into an additional
$312,000 of revenues per year, with room to grow.

“The synergies between Alpine Waste and Waste Farmers are quite evident, and I’m excited about this opportunity to further solidify Alpine Waste & Recycling as Colorado’s leader in sustainability initiatives in our industry.” said Alpine President John Griffith.

The purchase price was not disclosed.

About Alpine Waste & Recycling
Alpine Waste & Recycling is the largest privately held commercial waste and recycling collection company in the Denver area. Founded in 1999 as a single-truck operation, the company has parlayed a customer-service focus into a compound annual revenue growth rate of greater than 40 percent. With more than 50 trucks and more than 170 employees, Alpine hauls more than 130,000 tons of waste and recycle products per year. In early 2009, the Colorado Association for Recycling named Alpine as the state’s most outstanding business for its recycling/diversion program. That division of Alpine is called Altogether Recycling.™ ColoradoBiz Magazine in 2008 named Alpine as the state’s Top Company (Service Category); and in 2010 named Alpine as a “Colorado Company to Watch.” Commerce City named Alpine as its 2010 Small Business of the Year. Call 303-744-9881 or go to www.alpinewaste.com.

About Waste Farmers
Waste Farmers is a next generation sustainable agriculture company focused on helping humanity meet current and future food demands while decreasing agriculture’s environmental footprint. The company started with $9,000 and a belief that idealism and capitalism can coexist. In recognition of its achievements to date, Waste Farmers was named the 2010 Green Business of the Year by the Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce and featured in The Huffington Post’s latest Innovators Series, a compilation of startups that have interested the website’s community of readers.