

# Sustainable Waste Solutions Earns Landfill-Free Verification from NSF International



## Landfill-free verification enables companies to demonstrate environmentally-friendly waste handling and social responsibility

ANN ARBOR, Mich. and SOUDERTON, Pa. – Sustainable Waste Solutions (SWS) has earned [landfill-free verification](#) from NSF Sustainability, a division of the global public health organization NSF International. Landfill-free verification demonstrates that more than 99 percent of waste generated by Sustainable Waste Solutions never reaches a landfill but is rather reused, recycled or processed as waste to energy.

Sustainable Waste Solutions provides a broad range of reuse, recycling and waste services to its customers. Industries serviced include food manufacturing, pharmaceutical, high tech, automotive, defense, packaging and more. By verifying its landfill-free claim through NSF International, a reputable, independent third-party organization, SWS is demonstrating its environmental leadership as well as its commitment to transparency and sustainability.

NSF International’s independent landfill-free verification enables companies to demonstrate that less than one percent of their process waste\* goes to landfill for disposal and that they have documented waste management procedures and trainings in place. Qualifying for NSF landfill-free verification also requires:

- Retaining documentation and tracking all waste streams
- Maintaining containers to manage waste
- Establishing a program for electronic waste management
- Employee and contracting training
- Audits of the facility to ensure these procedures are in place

“Waste management is a critical issue that drives significant cost and operational complexity. Leading organizations like Sustainable Waste Solutions are addressing the challenge through third-party verified zero-waste-to-landfill or landfill-free programs,” said Tom Bruursema, General Manager of NSF Sustainability, a division of global public health organization NSF International.

“Our customers recognize SWS as the industry leader in providing sustainable waste and recycling solutions. The audit process was an eye-opening experience and helped us to develop better internal procedures. Having an internationally recognized organization like NSF Sustainability verify that our company is landfill free will help our company to grow,” said Randall Hendricks, CEO of Sustainable Waste Solutions.

For more information about NSF Sustainability’s programs, call +1.734.476.2543, email [sustainability@nsf.org](mailto:sustainability@nsf.org) or visit [nsfsustainability.org](http://nsfsustainability.org).

**Editor's note:** To schedule an interview with NSF Sustainability General Manager Tom Bruursema, contact Kelly Ingerly at [media@nsf.org](mailto:media@nsf.org) or 734-827-6850.

**About Sustainable Waste Solutions (SWS):** SWS ([landfillfree.com](http://landfillfree.com)) has been providing landfill-free services to our customers for over five years. Our fleet of trucks has never been to a landfill! Our goal is to make the businesses that we service more environmentally and economically sustainable. Corporate sustainability goals are a fact of everyday business and we help our customers meet those goals.

**About NSF International:** NSF International ([nsf.org](http://nsf.org)) has been testing and certifying products for safety, health and the environment since 1944. As an independent public health and safety organization, NSF's mission is to protect human health and the environment through standards development, auditing, testing and certification for the food, water, build/construction, retail, consumer products, chemical and health science industries. NSF International is a Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) Collaborating Center on Food Safety, Water Quality and Indoor Environment and operates in more than 150 countries.

NSF Sustainability draws upon this expertise to help companies green their products, operations, systems and supply chains. NSF also founded the National Center for Sustainability Standards, a national initiative to support the development of sustainability standard activities.

Additional NSF services include NSF Education and Training, safety audits for the food and water industries, nutritional/dietary supplement certification, organic certification provided by QAI (Quality Assurance International) and management systems registrations delivered through NSF International Strategic Registrations (NSF-ISR). NSF-ISR services include ISO 14001 environmental management systems registration and Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) and Chain of Custody (COC) certifications.

\* Process waste includes all waste generated by the company such as manufacturing waste, incoming packaging, office paper and food waste.