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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Free Bags-On-Board Canisters for dog waste disposal available.**

[City/town] R.I. – [date] – A limited number of Bags-On-Board canisters are available for free for dog owners from the following locations [distribution locations]. These canisters attach directly to a dog leash and contain plastic bags for picking up dog waste. The canisters can be refilled; refills are available for purchase at many pet supply stores. [City/Town] DPW chief [name] has made these canisters available free of charge “to remind our residents that we have a pet waste ordinance requiring residents to pick up after their pets. Since the canisters attach directly to the dog leash they are always available when needed”. Proper disposal of pet waste consists of picking up the pet waste and putting it into a garbage can. Pet waste is a contributor to pollution of our [Bay, river, pond, water supply] because when it rains it gets washed either directly into our [Bay, river, pond, water supply] or into our stormdrain system. The stormdrain system flows directly into [the Bay, river, pond, water supply] without treatment of any kind.