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**Gov. Dugaard Announces \$322,000 for AGRAT2 LLC Recycling Expansion**

PIERRE, S.D. – Gov. Dennis Dugaard says the state Board of Water and Natural Resources approved a \$322,000 funding package to AGRAT2 LLC for recycling expansion.

The funding package includes a \$112,700 grant and \$209,300 loan from the Solid Waste Management Program. The funds will cover the estimated cost of the project. Loan terms are 2.25 percent for 10 years.

The funds will be administered through the Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

“I am pleased to announce that AGRAT2 LLC will receive this assistance,” said Gov. Dugaard. “This funding will help the company process additional recyclable materials and keep those items out of the waste stream.”

AGRAT2 LLC is the only mattress and box spring recycling company in South Dakota and has been receiving mattresses and box springs from the Sioux Falls landfill and area retailers since 2011. The metal baler currently being used is not capable of compacting mattress springs and can only handle the metal from box springs. AGRAT2 LLC is requesting funding to assist in the purchase of a new baler that can compact springs quicker and more efficiently as well as be compatible with mattress springs.

The company will also purchase enclosed trailers and a semi cab to expand its service area.

The Solid Waste Management Program provides grants and loans for solid waste disposal, recycling and waste tire projects statewide. Revenues come from dedicated solid waste fees that are deposited in the state Water and Environment Fund. The Legislature appropriates Water and Environment Funds annually to the Solid Waste Management Program through the Governor’s Omnibus Water Funding Bill.

The board met today in Pierre.