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Solid Waste Management in Minna, North Central Nigeria: Present Practices and Future Challenges

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5.1 INTRODUCTION

Municipal solid waste management (MSWM) will continue to be a major challenge facing countries all over the world. Especially for developing countries, where the amount of municipal solid waste (MSW) has increased greatly due to rapid increase in urban population (Adebayo et al, 2006). Meanwhile, with limited resources, only basic technologies for treatment and disposal, and deficient enforcement of relevant regulations, serious problems remain for MSWM in developing countries, especially in regard to safe disposal. The progress of modern civilization and the associated increase in population worldwide has contributed significantly to the increase in the quantity and variety of waste generated (Anikwe and Nwobodo, 2002). The increase in consumption of resources has resulted in large amounts of solid waste from domestic activities and can lead to

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