

Press Release



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Public representative, who runs waste disposal but stacked fruit-vegetable residue and kitchen waste casually, investigated and prosecuted by The Taiwan Pingtung District Prosecutors Office for violation of Waste Disposal Act

The Pingtung county councilor, ***-*** Wang, runs a compost yard, disposing fruit-vegetable residue gathered from Taipei City, New Taipei City and Kaohsiung City by charge. Instead of following the procedure specified by Organic Fertilizer Manufacturing Material Balance Procedure License to manufacture the fertilizer, he stacked fruit-vegetable residue and kitchen waste gathered casually on the field of Jiuru Township, Gaoshu Township, and Changzhi Township. After instructing The

7th Special Police Corps and environmental protection staff to the crime scene sampling and investigating the evidence, the Prosecutor of The Taiwan Pingtung District Prosecutors Office, Wei-Jay Huang, concluded the investigation and prosecuted the perpetrator earlier.

*** industrial limited company (hereinafter the “company”) , practically managed by Councilor Wang and ***-*** Zhuang, possesses reuse organization permit, and the working site person in charge is ***-*** Wang. The company was supposed to smash the fruit-vegetable residue and kitchen waste according to the permit content, and then conduct the process of solid-liquid separation, impurity filtration, heaping, fermentation and decomposition in order to manufacture the fertilizer, but failed to dispose the fruit-vegetable residue and kitchen waste gathered by procedure due to lack of manpower and equipment. Councilor Wang contacted ***, *** technology limited

company, ***, and *** environmental conservation limited company to transport the fruit-vegetable residue and kitchen waste, which was not manufactured into the fertilizer and stocked on the company's waste disposal, to be stacked on the field of Jiuru Township, Gaoshu Township, and Changzhi Township at least 290 trips during November, 2021 and January, 2022, obtaining proceeds of the crime up to \$ 64 million NTD. The Prosecutors Office instructed the police to search and seize proceeds of the crime about \$ 1.61 million NTD, Councilor Wang, ***-*** Zhuang, and ***-*** Wang individually returning proceeds of the crime \$ 500 thousand, 800 thousand, and 300 thousand NTD. In addition, the Prosecutors Office applied to the court for seizing 11 pieces of land in Councilor Wang's name(the assessed current land value is about \$ 14 million NTD) and 7 pieces of land in ***-*** Zhuang's name(the assessed current land value is about \$ 30 million NTD), so that the collection of proceeds of the crime shall be

ensured.