

State of Connecticut
Department of Environmental Protection
State Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee

Agenda: **Tuesday, January 27, 2009**
 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
 Special Topic Presentations
 Phoenix Auditorium, 5th Floor
 79 Elm Street, Hartford, Connecticut



Changing the Balance

9:30 a.m. Convene

- **Welcome**
Tessa Gutowski, CTDEP, Office of Planning & Program Development (OPPD)
- **Special Topic: “Save Money and Reduce Trash (SMART)”**
Kristen Brown, President – Waste Solutions

The presentation will describe how several Bridgeport area/Southwest Connecticut towns are considering integrating the SMART approach which motivates citizens to produce less trash. Ms Brown has been helping communities take a comprehensive look at just how much they are truly spending on solid waste disposal. In addition to the potential cost savings (by utilizing a unit based approach) to municipalities, there are also potentially significant environmental benefits with the resulting decrease in the amount of waste being disposed and the increase in amount of material being recycled. Of greatest benefit is the anticipated reduction in the amount of green house gas emissions that will result as we reduce the amount of waste we put into landfills and/or waste-to-energy facilities (thereby reducing the amount of methane and carbon dioxide emitted) and the emissions associated with producing products using virgin materials.

- **Special Topic: “Preliminary Results/Overview of the Statewide Recycling Survey”**
Diane Duva, CTDEP Assistant Director – Solid and Hazardous Waste Programs

In 2008, the CTDEP surveyed municipalities to understand how they manage and account for municipal solid waste. To date, approximately 85% of the Connecticut’s municipalities have responded. The results from the survey provides a baseline of the state’s materials management landscape and will be used to create guidance for municipalities targeting specific needs based on their current practices. The presentation will provide an overview of the results.

11:30 a.m. Adjourn

Next meeting: February 24, 2009

Full Committee Meeting Topics:

- **E-waste Regulations; DEP Legislative Proposals; Status on the Waste Characterization Study; and more detail on the CTDEP Statewide Recycling Survey**

Announcement: Connecticut’s Environmental Justice (EJ) Law Implementation Workshop

*The CTDEP will be holding a workshop on the Implementation of Public Act 09-84, An Act Concerning Environmental Justice Communities and the Storage of Asbestos-Containing Materials. It is scheduled for: **Tuesday, January 13, 2009 (10:00 am to 12:00 pm)** in the 5th Floor - Phoenix Auditorium, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT. Speaking at this workshop will be: Commissioner Gina McCarthy; Bob Hannon, Esq.; Edith Pestana, MPH; Mark Mitchell, MD, MPH, and Walter Twachtman, Esq. The topics that will be covered include: Who will be required to submit an Environmental Justice Public Participation Plan; the Components of the Environmental Justice Plan; Facility Expansions; and Community Environmental Benefit. Please RSVP to Edith Pestana at edith.pestana@ct.gov or 860-424-3044. To review PA 09-84 implementation guidance documents go to: www.ct.gov/dep/environmentaljustice*

Access the CTDEP Website:

- State Solid Waste Management Plan: www.ct.gov/dep/swmp

- Agency Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee:
www.ct.gov/dep/SWAdvComm

2009 Schedule - Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee Meetings:

Full Committee meetings and Special Topic Presentations/Discussion will meet from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.; CTDEP Headquarters 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106. *Meetings are scheduled for the fourth Tuesday of the following months:*

- January 27
- February 24
- March 24
- April 28
- May 26
- June 23
- September 22
- October 27
- November 24th

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