

# Carpet Recycling Overview for: PSI Carpet Meeting May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014

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## Carpet Cycle, L.L.C.

Founded in 1999 - Dover, NJ

2001, Moved to Elizabeth, ~18,000 SF facility for 11+ years

Moved to 50,000+SF Newark facility March 1st 2012

Provide PCC and ACT recycling services –

collection/sortation/baling

Provide interior demolition service which earns LEED credits

for your project

We employ 42 full time employees

Have diverted over 200MM lbs since inception

Over 18 million pounds PCC reclaimed in 2013

Target goal is 24 MM pounds PCC reclaim in 2014



## **Our Process Steps:**

Assess the Project & Design an Efficient Plan Provide a Competitive Quote

**Perform Removal - Sort - Collection** 

Meet Recycling Specification at our facility

**Broadloom Carpet Fiber Type** 

**Carpet Tile Backing Type** 

**Ceiling Tile Type** 

**Ship Truckload Quantities** 

Approximately 20 tons or 90,000 SF per truck

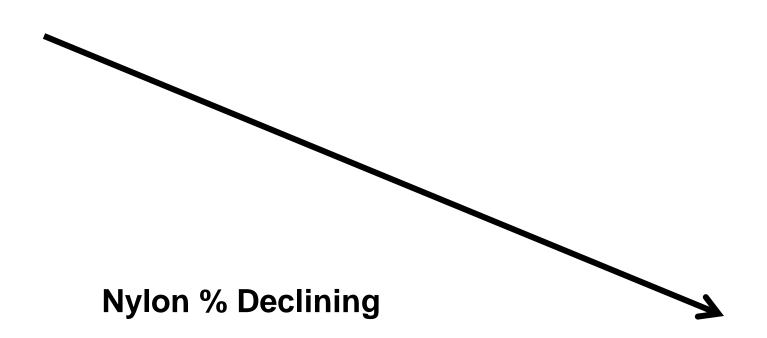


## Where carpet types do we encounter in the US?

- 1) Residential Broadloom:
  - ~50% Nylon Face Fiber Content (dropping)
  - ~8% Polypropylene (dropping)
  - ~35%+ PET and INCREASING
  - ~5% Other types; Acrylics, PTT, Wool
- 2) Commercial Broadloom
  - ~95%+ Nylon Face Fiber Content
  - ~5% PP and other
- 3) Carpet Tiles (Backing type important)
  - ~75% PVC Backed, close loop recycled
  - ~25% Other, Urethane Cushion, bitumen etc
    - --Typically some donation but mostly WTE disposition

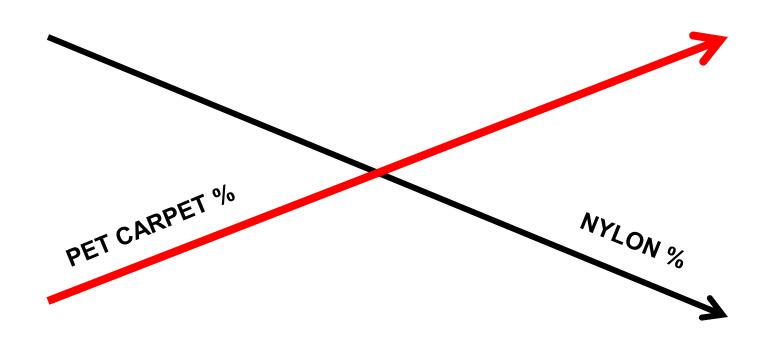


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PET % CONSISTENTLY INCREASING



## Where does the carpet go???

**Donation for Re-Use** 

**Carpet Tile to Carpet Tile** 

**Carpet Yarn to Recycled Content Yarn** 

**Engineered Resins** 

**Injected Molded Parts** 

**Auto-Industry** 

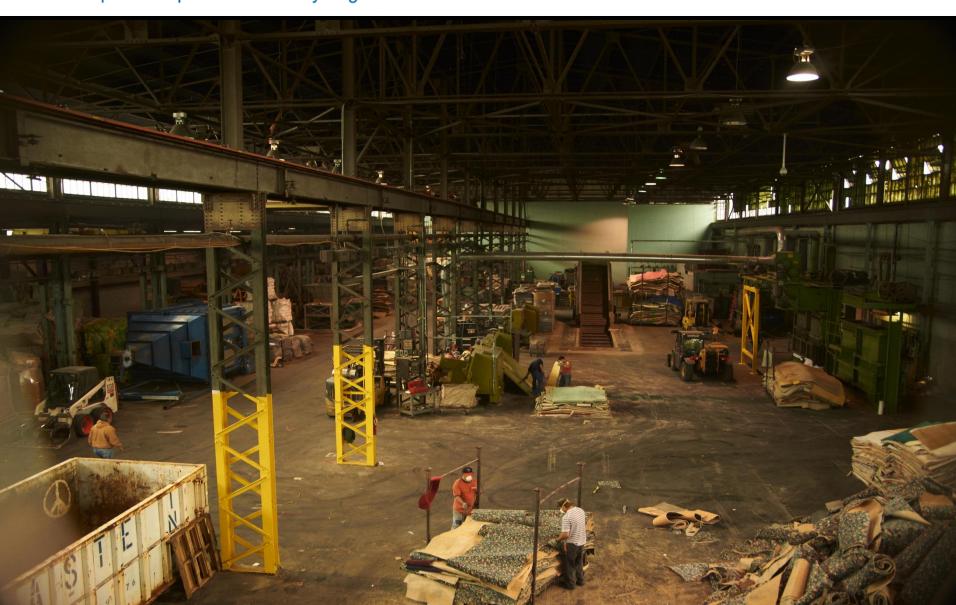
**Plastic Lumber: Mostly PP residue** 

**Energy from Waste "EFW"** 

Displaces coal to fuel cement production



#### **NEWARK NJ FACILTY**





#### **SORTING POLYMER TYPE WITH BRUKER**





## **From This**









## **To This**





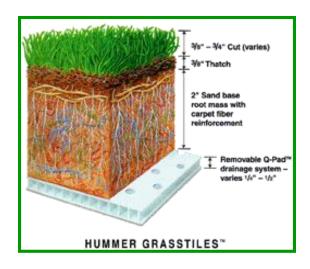








## To This









# THE FUTURE??

> In order to further the triple bottom line of:

#### PEOPLE, PLANET, PROFIT.....

- > Thoughtful changes must take place to increase carpet diversion from landfills.
- > 4 Key issues to be discussed this afternoon
- > THANKS FOR LISTENING