



Steady as she goes ã Week of 2/13/09

Weekly Market Comments from the Northeast Resource Recovery Association

Good Afternoon. Seems to me and to those that I speak with that things will be hanging tough (in a good way) over the course of the next week in the fiber markets. Demand for OCC is staying up despite recent marginal decreases in the export pricing while #8 news demands seems to be creeping up yet again. This would be a good time to call in if you have a load. Mixed paper remains level.

Scrap metal pricing is also remaining unchanged this week at \$100/gross ton for delivered/containerized material with picked up pricing based on geography.

Our **plastics** markets are remaining healthy with strong interest from our vendors. On the commingled containers front, we are working closely with our vendors in an attempt to secure the best outlets in order to move pricing in the right direction.

Aluminum can pricing remains below expected levels and if I get a second this week, I plan on looking at aluminum can pricing throughout the year in relation to the thought that pricing tends to increase in winter. We'll see...

Aside from those market updates, just a few reminders of note...

1. IMPORTANT! Back up your computer! I had my first experience with a computer crashing this week and while I am holding out limited hope for retrieving some of the lost data; it has been an awful experience. Sorry, I know that's off topic but it's important. =).

2. The March Member's Marketing and Operations Meeting will be held at the **Lebanon Recycling Facility** on Wednesday, March 11th, 2009. The meeting will start at 9:30 AM. We are holding these at different locations bi-monthly in an attempt to bring new faces out. See you there. Lebanon Recycling Center - Route 12A -West Lebanon, NH 03784 - 603-298-6486

Directions:

Through NH - Rt. I-93 to exit 12 which will put you on Rt. I-89 north.
Continue on Rt. I-89 to exit 20. At end of ramp, take a left onto Rt.
12A south. Facility is about 2 miles down on the right just beyond the Home Depot.

Through VT - Rt. I-91 to exit 10 at White River Junction, VT onto Rt.
I-89 south and take the first exit in NH (exit 20). At end of ramp, turn right onto Rt. 12A south. Facility is about 2 miles mile down on the right just beyond the Home Depot.

3. Do not forget about our upcoming Conference! It will be held June 8th and 9th at the Radisson/Center of NH in downtown Manchester and it is really shaping up to be an excellent event. Please spread the word around your facilities and Town/city offices. More info at www.nrra.net.

Thanks and I will talk with you soon. Adam

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NH the Beautiful, Inc. Awards Grant to Marlow, NH

EPSOM, NH: NH the Beautiful awarded Marlow \$4,000 towards their recycling program. Marlow was able to purchase two 20yd Roll-Off Containers which will make them self sufficient to operate their recycling program independently and improve overall efficiency. NH the Beautiful applauds Marlow for their aggressive recycling program and in making NH a greener state.

NH the Beautiful, Inc. (www.nhthebeautiful.org) is a private non-profit charitable trust, dedicated to helping NH communities for over 25 years. It was founded in 1983 and is supported by the soft drink, malt beverage and grocery industries of New Hampshire. Since their inception they have distributed over \$2.5 million worth of grants to municipalities for the purchase of signs, recycling equipment, including bins, balers, crushers, Sand Dollar Beach Cleaner and containers as well as promoting recycling in NH Schools. The Northeast Resource Recovery Association (www.nrra.net) is administrator for the New Hampshire the Beautiful programs.

All municipalities are encouraged to contact the office if they need assistance with grant requests or forms. NH the Beautiful is committed to supporting recycling in the State of New Hampshire, and does have funding available for its grant assistance program to communities.

Regards,

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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Listed here are just a few of the many bills making their way through the legislative process. We will try and update this weekly as we get more information. While NRRRA does not take a position on any specific bills due to its non-profit status, it encourages all its members to participate as they feel appropriate. Hopefully, this will assist the members in keeping track of hearing schedules.

Bill	Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 0283	Establishing a solid waste management fund and assessing a beverage container fee (one cent tax on beverages at the wholesale level)	Webb, Leigh	Work session 2/5/09, 2:45 PM, 308 LOB
HB 0607	Relative to residential pharmaceutical waste	Harris, Sandra	Hearing 2/10/09, 1:30, 302
HB 0675	Requiring a refundable deposit on beverage containers	Owen, Derek	Hearing 2/11/09, 9:00, 308 LOB
HB 0283	Establishing a solid waste management fund and assessing a beverage container fee (one cent tax on beverages at the wholesale level)	Webb, Leigh	Subcommittee voted 3-2 to retain the bill in committee.

If you have any additional information that you wish NRRRA to communicate about these or other legislative initiatives, please do not hesitate to call us.

Thank You

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