



Working diligently!... Week of 4/13/09

**Weekly Market Comments from the
Northeast Resource Recovery Association**

Greetings all!

It sure has been crazy here this week with all the big pieces of news coming out. We want all of you to know that we are, and will always be, here to continue working diligently on your behalf!

On the whole this week holds increases for commodities nearly across the board.

Scrap metal is continuing to tick back this week, up \$5 to a strong \$90/gt for delivered/containerized material and equal increases being seen for bulk material picked up at your site. An example came to light this week illustrating the reason why it is important to get an NRRA release number when delivering material. A town (to remain nameless =)), took a load of non-ferrous to one of the metal yards in the state (also to remain nameless =)), without a release number and forgot to mention NRRA. When the situation was rectified it was revealed that that number, which gains you access to NRRA pricing netted the town 30% more. Don't forget!

Paper pricing is also solidly moving in the right direction, led again by export orders. In fact, #8 news pricing is as high as \$57.50 for full trailer loads! Mixed paper has shown strength over the past weeks and did show an increase on the yellow sheet but movement is still relatively slow when compared to the other grades. Cardboard pricing continues to rise as well.

In the plastics markets, the HDPE's are showing strong moves this week while PETE pricing has, once again, begun to soften. Call for pricing!

OK! gotta run. Talk with you soon! .Adam

Nope..one more thing! a reminder from Marilyn Weir! **DO NOT INCLUDE MICROWAVES, PROPANE TANKS, CHAIN LINK FENCING OR STEEL WIRE AND CABLE LONGER THAN 60IN THEIR SCRAP METAL PILES OR CONTAINERS!**

Now that is all..Again..Adam

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From the Director's Chair:

On April 8, 2009 the Board of Directors held a retreat with NRRA staff, and reaffirmed the mission and scope of services for NRRA. As the Northeast Resource Recovery Association, NRRA is charged with providing member services through the entire Northeast. It will fulfill this mission by providing one stop shopping for all your recycling needs, be they information sharing, technical assistance, commodity pricing and movement, or market development.

Please call 1-800-223-0150, or email, any time you have a question, need assistance, or have found a real nugget of helpful information you wish to share with your fellow cooperative members, and NRRA will insure that it gets disseminated to all members.

The scope of this charge is a challenge, but increased use of technology and the realignment of member services geographic areas will help address the immediate needs. Increased cooperation with Solid Waste Districts, Regional Planning Commissions, and other organizations committed to promoting recycling throughout the Northeast, will help deliver the best service and assistance possible.

As NRRA looks to the future it sees the Northeast becoming increasingly cooperative to promote sustainable recycling, and its role is to facilitate that cooperation wherever and whenever possible.

I encourage your calls, comments, and suggestions. As a cooperative of extremely knowledgeable members, your input is the most valuable resource NRRA has.

Respectfully Submitted;

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NOTE: The NHtB telephone was turned off in error by Fairpoint and still has not been turned back on. If you need to reach NHtB call the NRRA Office at 603-736-4401 until further notice.

Still Accepting Grants: New Hampshire Communities are all eligible to apply for grants for up to half the purchase price of recycling equipment . To apply for a grant, go to the NHtB website www.nhthebeautiful.org print & fill out the form and fax it to Jan at 736-4402. If you do not have access to the internet, please give us a call and we can fax or mail a form to you. **The deadline has passed to submit grants for the next meeting of the Board of Directors on April 23rd; but please still continue to submit grants so I can present them at the next meeting (to be determined).**

Signs: New Hampshire Communities are all eligible to apply for signs; you have 60 points each fiscal year. To apply for signs, go to the NHtB website www.nhthebeautiful.org and print the forms you need and fax it to Jan at 736-4402.

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NRRA'S Annual Recycling Conference & Expo

The brochures are in the mail ó for those of you who have not already signed up ó please take advantage of the early discount and sign up by **May 15th**. We have great workshops lined up!! **NEW!** - Monday evening from 5:00PM to 7:00PM ó ðAfter Hours with the Exhibitorsö. Visit and network and enjoy free appetizers (sponsored by Laconia Savings Bank) and a cash bar.

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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Bills of Potential Interest to NRRA

(as of April 13, 2009)

Bill (to see bill text, hit CTRL and click)	Title	Sponsor	
HB 283	Establishing a solid waste management fund and assessing a beverage container fee (one cent tax on beverages at the wholesale level)	Leigh Webb	Bill retained in Committee.
HB 338	relative to definitions of electronic waste.	Tara Sad	House passed and referred to Senate Energy, Environment and Economic Development Committee.
HB 423	relative to solid waste permits.	Suzanne Harvey	Bill passed with Amendment and referred to Senate Energy, Environment and Economic Development Committee.
HB 607	Relative to residential pharmaceutical waste	Sandra Harris	Bill retained in Committee.
HB 675	Requiring a refundable deposit on beverage containers	Owen, Derek	Bill retained in Committee.
HCR 4	supporting the Basel Convention on the international shipment of hazardous waste.	David Borden	Bill killed.

If you have any additional information that you wish NRRA to communicate about these or other legislative initiatives, please do not hesitate to call us at (603) 736-4401.