



"Partnering to make recycling strong through economic and environmentally sound solutions"

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Good signs.....Week of 7/13/09

Weekly Market Comments from the Northeast Resource Recovery Association

And Hello Againí

There are good signs from the **scrap metal** front again the week with marginal increases on both containerized and picked up materials pricing. A reminder to you that if you are currently separating out non-ferrous metals at your site, NRRA pricing and programs are available for these commodities as well. Call for specifics.

Strength is also being shown again in the export market for **fibers** with pricing for export loads rising \$10-\$20 per ton above domestic load rates. For more information on the possibility of your facility exporting material, call the office and we can discuss bale weight, bale sizes and other variables that affect this market.

Plastics, aluminum and steel cans remained stable this week with no changes to report.

As an aside, we have confirmation that our **August MOM Meeting** will be held in Plymouth NH at the Town Hall (downtown). A tour of the Plymouth Recycling Center will be conducted as well after MOM meeting. Again, it will be the second Wednesday of the month, August 12th and it will begin at 9:30 AM. I've been to that facility a number of times and I would recommend going if you have the opportunity. Thanks to Mike Ray.

That's it from back hereí Cheersí Adam

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From the Director's Chair:

Over the course of the last several weeks NRRA has been working harder than ever to research a variety of issues and answer requests for information from its members. Everything from recycling cart bids, plastics updates, containerized metals, tires, book recycling, alum sludge, carbon credits along with consolidation site visits have filled the calendar as we search for the most up to date data.

Somehow along the way, NRRA found time to be the successful bidder in the Town of Derry paper offering, against two very large competitors. See press release below.

Save these Dates:

August 12, 2009 - 9:30AM -M.O.M. Meeting in Plymouth, NH as part of our outreach.

August 26, 2009 ó Board of Trustees ó Epsom, NH.

September 9th, 2009 - Annual Cook-Out - at NOON following 9:30am MOM Meeting (NRRA Offices - Epsom).

October 14, 2009 - Bus Tour - TBD

November 18th, 2009 - Annual Meeting at the Red Blazer, Concord, NH -12:00 to 3:00pm

More next week:

From Jan's Desk:

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Compost Bins, Rain Barrels (6 left) & Kitchen Pails – AVAILABLE at the NRRA offices in Epsom. You can find an order form on line at www.nrra.net or call Jan at 603-736-4401.

NH the Beautiful

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. Next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for September 16th.

Signs: **New Hampshire** communities are all eligible to apply for signs; you have 60 points each fiscal year (Nov 1st ó Oct 31st). 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. **Please NOTE!!!! You can only order signs that are on the list. Words can be removed but nothing can be added.**

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Also available are: 14 gallon green recycling bins -- \$3.00 for schools, **\$4.85** for towns (**new low price** - great incentive to increase recycling in your town!) and \$8.00 for businesses. ClearStreams -- \$16.00 for schools, \$35.00 for towns and \$45 for businesses.

From Bonnie's Desk:

NRRA's Propane Tank vendor can no longer take Fire Extinguishers when they pick up propane tanks.

Please handle in the following manner:

- 1) Contact local Fire Dept. to see if they can take them.
- 2) If fire extinguisher is to be included in scrap metal, powder must be removed and either given to local Fire Dept. or disposed of through Household Hazardous Waste Day.
- 3) Once empty, fire extinguishers must have valve/neck removed AND must have a hole **BIG ENOUGH** to see inside.
The hole allows scrap metal vendor to see that there is no powder in extinguisher.

NEW HAMPSHIRE – NEWS

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Bills of Potential Interest to NRRA

(as of July 14, 2009)

Bill (to see bill text, hit CTRL and click on bill #)	Title	Sponsor	Bill Status
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	==Retained Bill== House Environment Subcommittee
HB 338	relative to definitions of electronic waste.	Tara Sad	Signed by the Governor 06/22/2009; Effective 06/22/2009
HB 423	(New Title) requiring the department of environmental services to develop an outreach campaign to disseminate information on recycling materials, including electronic waste.	Suzanne Harvey	House passed with amendment, Senate passed with amendment. House Concurs with Senate Amendment.
HB 607	Relative to residential pharmaceutical waste	Sandra Harris	Bill retained in Committee.
HB 675	requiring a refundable deposit on beverage containers	Owen, Derek	==Retained Bill== House Environment Subcommittee
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.

PRESS RELEASE:

NRRA Awarded Recycling Marketing Bid

The Northeast Resource Recovery Association, a not-for-profit recycling cooperative serving over 300 municipal and commercial members across New England is pleased to announce that it has been awarded a one-year marketing contract with the Town of Derry, NH.

The contract, representing over 1200 tons of mixed paper per year, is the latest success for the organization which annually handles in excess of 65,000 tons of recyclable materials each year.

It is especially noteworthy, in this extremely competitive recycling market, that the successful bid of NRRA's surpassed those of two of the largest recycling giants operating in the Northeast. Winning the bid serves as a testament to the organization which focuses on recycling, outreach, education, and technical assistance, as well as superior marketing services.

"I think it speaks towards our daily efforts to be competitive for our members," said Adam Clark, one of the Member Services Team dedicated to working every day to improve the benefits to NRRA's membership.

"We look forward to working closely with the Town of Derry and our vendor, Empire Recycling, to provide great service, and the highest revenue return to the town for this part of its recycling efforts."

The Northeast Resource Recovery Association was founded in 1981 by four NH communities to provide a clearinghouse for current, up to date information, and a source of technical and marketing assistance in the general areas of waste reduction and recycling.