



AGENDA

TUESDAY, October 29, 2019 – Biltmore Ballroom

- 8:30 **Registration & Continental Breakfast** (provided)
- 9:00 **Introduction** – Lynn Rubinstein, Executive Director, [NERC](#)
- 9:15 **Keynote Address** – *Upstream, Uphill, Uprising: The Packaging Industry's Journey Towards Sustainability*
Adam Gendell, Associate Director, [Sustainable Packaging Coalition](#)
Session Facilitator: Robert Isner, Director, Waste Engineering and Enforcement Division, [Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection](#) and Vice President of NERC's Board of Directors
- 10:00 **Networking Break with Exhibitors**
- 10:30 **Managing Plastics**
Panel Facilitator: Eadaoin Quinn, Director, Business Development & Procurement, [EFS-plastics](#)
- Panelists**
- Tonya Randell, Program Manager, [More Recycling](#) – *Plastics Paradox*
 - Victor Bell, US Managing Director, [EPI](#) – *Packaging EPR and the World's "Plastics Crisis"*
 - Kristen Aldred Cheek, Director of Policy & Programs, [PSI](#) – *Learning from EPR Programs for Plastics & Packaging*
- 12:00 **Lunch** (provided)
Advisory Member Lunch (*by invitation only*)
- 1:30 **Single Use Plastics Legislation**
Session Facilitator: Resa Dimino, Affiliate Senior Consultant, [Resource Recycling Systems \(RRS\)](#)
- Presenters**
- Susan Bush, Principal, [Circular Matters](#) – *Single Use Plastics Legislation in the US*
 - Claire Galkowski, Executive Director, [South Shore Recycling Cooperative](#) – *Research to Inform Lawmakers Prior to Plastic Bag Bans*
 - Kayla Montanye, Environmental Program Specialist, [New York State Department of Environmental Conservation](#) – *Results of New York's Plastic Bag Ban*
- 3:00 **Networking Break with Exhibitors**

3:30 **Innovative Products, Programs & Technology**
Session Facilitator: Joanne Shafer, Deputy Executive Director/Recycling Coordinator, [Centre County Recycling & Refuse Authority](#)

Presenters

- Juri Freeman, Senior Consultant, [RRS](#) – *NextCycle Business Incubator*
- Steve Alexander, President & CEO, [The Association of Plastics Recyclers \(APR\)](#) - *APR's Post-consumer Recycled Content Certification Program*
- William Hancock, Vice President of Operations, [Plexus Recycling Technologies](#) – *Robotic Sorting*
- Craig Cookson, Senior Director of Recycling & Energy Recovery, [American Chemistry Council](#) - *Advanced Chemical Recycling Technologies*
- Carlos Manchado Atienza, Regional Director of the Americas, [TOMRA Sorting Solutions](#) – *Leading the Resource Revolution*

5:00 **Adjourn**

5:30 **Social Hour & Awards Ceremony – Summit, 18th Floor**

WEDNESDAY, October 30, 2019

8:00 **Registration** & Continental Breakfast (provided)

8:30 **Introductions & Welcoming Remarks** - Lynn Rubinstein, Executive Director, [NERC](#)

8:45 **Basel Plastics Decision** – Adina Renee Adler, Assistant Vice President of International Affairs, [ISRI](#)
Session Facilitator: Rick Watson, Chief Executive Officer, [Delaware Solid Waste Authority](#) and Treasurer, NERC's Board of Director

9:15 **Value of Plastics** – Dylan de Thomas, Vice President of Industry Collaboration, [Recycling Partnership](#)
Session Facilitator: Steve Alexander, President & CEO, [Association of Plastic Recyclers \(APR\)](#)

9:45 **Networking Break with Exhibitors**

10:15 **Strategies for Plastics Recycling Education**
Session Facilitator: Terry Laibach, Section Supervisor, [New York State Department of Environmental Conservation](#)

Presenters

- Beth Gingold, Founder, [Recycle Leaders](#) – Bridging the Gap Between STEM & Civic Education
- Rachel Bookman, Senior Communications Outreach Manager, [ISRI](#) – Jason Learning Program

11:00 **Toxics in Packaging** –John Gilkeson, Chair, [Toxics in Packaging Clearinghouse \(TPCH\)](#) & Principal Planner, [Minnesota Pollution Control Agency](#)
Session Facilitator: Christine Cassidy, Recycling Manager, [Dart Container Corp.](#)

11:45 **PFAS**
Session Facilitator: Megan Pryor, Environmental Specialist, [Maine Department of Environmental Protection](#)

Presenters

- Terri Goldberg, Executive Director, [NEWMOA](#) - PFAS in Packaging
- Debra Darby, Organics Recycling Consultant, [Darby Marketing](#) - PFAS in Compost

12:30 **Adjourn**

12:30 **NERC Board Meeting**

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