AGENDA

Wednesday, March 20, 2019 – Christina Ballroom, Chase Center on the Riverfront

8:30  Registration & Continental Breakfast (provided)

9:00  Polypropylene Roundtable Discussion - Introduction - Lynn Rubinstein, Executive Director, NERC & Bridget Croke, Vice President of External Affairs, Closed Loop Partners

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9:15  How is reclamation and conversion changing?
Intermediaries are looking at vertically integration so that they get closer to a finished product at the end of the process, rather than producing flake. Newer technologies are making it possible to do this more cost effectively. Existing capacity is not where it needs to be (e.g., transportation cost eats away at value of material), so where can we strategically build capacity closer to supply or end-users?
Panel Facilitator: Bridget Croke, Closed Loop Partners

Panelists
- Stephanie Baker, Director of Market Development, KW Plastics
- Ronald Chislow, President and COO, Buckeye Polymers, Inc.
- Eadaoin Quinn, Director of Business Development & Procurement, EFS Plastics

10:00  What's a MRF to do?
How do we increase the quality of the bale? Is it time for MRFs to produce tubs & lids bales, and separate out polypropylene (PP) from the “Mixed Plastics” #3 - 7 bale? What are short term vs. long-term interventions that can help? We will explore the business case of different interventions for the MRF and for others in the value chain.
Panel Facilitator: Bridget Croke, Closed Loop Partners

Panelists
- Jon Powell, Director of Special Projects, Closed Loop Partners
- Tom Outerbridge, Manager, Sims Municipal Recycling

10:45  Break
11:00 Municipality and State Perspectives
How can municipalities and state agencies add value to the system through mandates, contracts, and resident education? How do municipalities and states get accurate information about markets and what materials to keep in recycling programs? How do we advance collections in a way that communities can realize economic benefits?
Session Facilitator: Bridget Croke, Closed Loop Partners

Presenter: Chris Coady, Director of Community Programs, The Recycling Partnership

11:30 What’s Next?
Discussion and wrap up. What tangible opportunities and collaboration can come from today? How can we work together to drive near term improvements for PP?
Session Facilitators: Bridget Croke & Jon Powell, Closed Loop Partners

12:00 LUNCH (Provided)

12:30 Conference Introduction - Lynn Rubinstein, Executive Director, NERC

12:40 Welcoming Remarks - Matthew Meyer, County Executive, New Castle County, Delaware

1:00 Keynote Speaker – Michael E. Hoffman, Managing Director & Group Head of Diversified Industrials Research, Stifel - Where the global and domestic economies are headed...

1:45 Understanding Material Needs of Manufacturers Using Recycled Paper, Plastics, & Cullet
Panel Facilitator: Megan Pryor, Environmental Specialist, Maine Department of Environmental Protection

Panelists
• Jordan Tony, Market Support Consultant, More Recycling – Mixed Plastics
• Mark Nelson, Vice President Supply & National Accounts, Strategic Materials - Glass

3:15 Networking Break with Exhibitors

3:45 How is the Paper Industry Addressing Post-Consumer Recycled Content?
Panel Facilitator: Kaley Laleker, Acting Director of Land and Materials Administration, Maryland Department of the Environment

Panelists
• Brian Hawkinson, Executive Director of Recovered Fiber, AF&PA
• William Schlenger, Director of Purchasing, Soundview Paper

5:00 Adjourn for the day

5:30 NERC Board Meeting – Westin Hotel, Caesar Rodney Room
Thursday, March 21, 2019 – Christina Ballroom, Chase Center on the Riverfront

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

8:30  **Introduction** – Lynn Rubinstein, Executive Director, NERC

8:45  **How is the Plastics Industry Addressing Post-Consumer Recycled Content?**  
**Panel Facilitator:** Joanne Shafer, Centre Country Recycling & Refuse Authority

**Panelists**  
- Liz Bedard, Olefins Division Director, Association of Plastics Recyclers (APR)  
- Nick Jovich, Material Manager, Trigon Plastics  
- John Caturano, Senior Sustainability Packaging & Program Manager, Nestlé Waters North America Inc.

10:15  **Meet the Businesses That Are Driving the US Recycling Industry**—A Flash Round of Introductions to the following businesses and organizations and how they promote and support the demand for PCR.  
**Session Facilitator** – Rick Watson, Chief Executive Officer, Delaware Solid Waste Authority

**Presenters**  
- Scott Byrne, Carton Council  
- Eadaoin Quinn, EFS Plastics  
- Mark Reiter, ISRI  
- Gemma Mahoney, Pace Glass Recycling  
- Resa Dimino, RRS

11:00  **How is the Glass Industry Addressing Post-Consumer Recycled Content?**  
**Panel Facilitator:** Mary Ann Remolador, Assistant Director, NERC

**Panelists**  
- Will Sagar, Executive Director, SERDC  
- Mike Smaha, US Government Affairs, Owens Illinois  
- Herb Northrop, Chief Operating Officer, Aero Aggregates

12:30  **Lunch** (provided)

1:15  **Strategies That Have Impacted Demand for Post-Consumer Recycled Content**  
**Panel Facilitator:** Josh Kelly, Materials Management Section Chief, Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation

**Panelists**  
- Garth Hickle, Independent Consultant - The impact of EPR on building demand for post-consumer recycled materials.  
- Cherish Changala Miller, Vice President of Corporate Marketing and Communications, Revolution Plastics - How the CA statewide bag ordinance (SB270) has impacted plastic recycling and the demand for PCR.  
- Bridget Croke, Vice President of External Affairs, Closed Loop Partners – The impact of investments made to municipalities and private businesses that increase the use of PCR.

2:30  **Networking Break with Exhibitors**

3:00  **Open Forum Discussion** – A facilitated discussion in which attendees have the opportunity to share the projects, programs, and resources developed that support the demand for post-consumer recycling content.
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