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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 19, 2011  
TO: Recycling Committee  
FROM: Kevin H. Roche, General Manager  
SUBJECT: January 26, 2011 Meeting Agenda

There is a meeting of the Recycling Committee scheduled for Wednesday, January 26, 2011 at 4:00PM at **ecomaine**.

**AGENDA:**

1. Review and approval of the 12/01/10 meeting minutes (**Attachment A**)
2. Representative Melissa Walsh Innes and Matt Prindiville, Natural Resources of Maine, Discussion on Product Stewardship.
3. Electronic Bulletin Board Preview
4. Recycling Updates:
  - Discussion of current market conditions
  - Tonnage and marketing reports
  - Revenue and Expense Report (**Attachment B**)
5. Other

Next Recycling Committee Meeting Date: Wednesday, February 23, 2011 at 4:00PM.

cc: Board of Directors

**ecomaine  
Recycling Committee Meeting Minutes  
December 1, 2010**

**Committee Members present:** Dick Brobst, Len Van Gaasbeek, Troy Moon, Susan McGinty, Travis Wagner, Sarah Bernier and David Woodsome.

**ecomaine Staff present:** Kevin Roche, Shelley Dunn and Missi Labbe.

**Agenda Items:**

**1. Review of 11/3/10 meeting minutes**

A motion to accept the minutes was made by Mr. Brobst and seconded by Mr. Van Gaasbeek. The minutes were approved unanimously.

**2. Freeport Private Subscription**

Ms. Labbe provided the Committee with a handout of Freeport tonnage. The Committee reviewed the Freeport tonnage for MSW and recycling in light of the request handed down from the Full Board meeting. Ms. Labbe explained that Freeport allows its licensed haulers to haul waste from private subscription and bill the MSW to the town's account at **ecomaine**. For this reason, it is believed that all waste from Freeport is being brought to **ecomaine** due to the lack of incentive to take it elsewhere. She also stated that one hauler is collecting curb side recycling through private subscription and that tonnage is also being received under the town's recycling account. Mr. Woodsome indicated that he has concerns about haulers billing to town accounts. After some discussion, the committee requested that the name of the hauler making deliveries be added to the information printed on weight tickets.

**3. Monthly Municipal News Releases**

Ms. Dunn provided the Committee with a handout that illustrated how a proposed monthly news release would show each town's recycling percentage and the cost of disposal of these tons if the town had not recycled them. These monthly releases would be sent to each town's respective local newspaper and would hopefully be picked up to appear on a regular basis. Mr. Woodsome indicated that he felt each town should be given the option to opt out of the news release. After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Roche indicated that he felt the final decision to move forward should be referred to the Executive Committee for consideration. Mr. Moon made a motion to refer this item to the Executive Committee with the recommendation of the Recycling Committee. Ms. Bernier seconded the motion and the vote was as follows:

<b>Approved</b>	<b>Opposed</b>	<b>Abstained</b>
Mr. Wagner	Mr. Van Gaasbeek	None
Mr. Woodsome		
Ms. Bernier		
Mr. Brobst		
Mr. Moon		
Ms. McGinty		

#### **4. eco-Excellence Award Review**

Ms. Dunn provided the Committee with a handout of this year's nomination form. Mr. Moon indicated that Mr. Wagner, Ms. Bernier and Ms. McGinty would serve on this year's selection subcommittee. Ms. Bernier indicated she would be happy to serve as the Chairman.

Ms. Dunn explained that although the Committee discussed having two separate nomination forms for the town level nominations and the business nominations, she was concerned about the availability of qualified nominations. After discussion, the Committee agreed that all nominations would be accepted for town level awards. The grand prize award would be chosen from individuals and groups and businesses would not be eligible for the grand prize from this category, but would be eligible for a separate business only award.

Nomination forms will be sent out by email and regular mail with a news release sent after the holidays.

#### **5. Silver Bullet Painting Contest Update**

Ms. Dunn provided the Committee with a handout that will be sent out to promote the silver bullet painting contest. Mr. Van Gaasbeek indicated that the drawing was too small and the design artist might have a difficult time illustrating their idea on such a small scale. Ms. Dunn stated that although they need a standard format and size in order to provide the design for website voting, **ecomaine** could have packets made up with larger illustrations for the design to be illustrated on. Packets could be made available to entrants by mail or pickup at the **ecomaine** office.

Mr. Van Gaasbeek asked if special paint or equipment would be needed to apply the design. Would students be able to do the actual work? Staff will look into what equipment & paint would be necessary.

#### **6. Recycling Updates**

##### Current Market Conditions

Mr. Roche updated the Committee on current conditions of the recycling commodities markets and material movement.

Tonnage and Marketing Reports

Recycling tonnage for October, 2010 was 3016 tons.

**7. Other**

Mr. Moon indicated that due to the request of the Committee to ensure timely reports, the Recycling Committee meeting would be held on the fourth Wednesday of each month, beginning January 26<sup>th</sup> at 4:00PM.

Ms. Labbe informed the Committee that the Town of Jay has signed an agreement with **ecomaine** for recycling services.

Ms. Dunn informed the Committee that **ecomaine** has two ads appearing in this year's new Sunrise Guide.

Ms. Dunn explained to the Committee that **ecomaine** now has the ability to track website traffic. Mr. Moon asked for a monthly update on website traffic

**The meeting adjourned at 5:55PM.**

**The next meeting will be Wednesday, January 26, 2011 at 4:00PM at ecomaine.**

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**Statement of Revenues & Expenses - December 2010**

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	December			December Year To Date		
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance
<b>Operating revenues</b>						
Municipal assessments	\$ 390	\$ 390	\$ -	\$ 2,339	\$ 2,339	\$ -
Owners tipping fees	363	346	17	2,305	2,078	227
Associate tipping fees	71	82	(11)	421	493	(72)
Commercial tipping fees	469	391	78	2,972	2,343	629
Spot market tipping fees	159	175	(16)	1,180	1,050	130
Electrical generating revenues	570	559	11	3,521	3,263	258
Sales of recycled goods	362	188	174	1,731	1,125	606
Recycling tipping fees	4	2	2	13	12	1
Gorham property assessments	9	9	-	55	55	-
Other operating income	15	20	(5)	135	123	12
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<b>2,412</b>	<b>2,162</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>14,672</b>	<b>12,881</b>	<b>1,791</b>
<b>Operating expenses</b>						
Administrative expenses	170	207	(37)	1,191	1,241	(50)
Waste-to-energy operating expenses	710	646	64	3,726	3,956	(230)
Recycling operating expenses	141	131	10	790	789	1
Landfill/ashfill operating expenses	69	129	(60)	691	776	(85)
Contingency	-	21	(21)	1	125	(124)
Landfill closure and postclosure care costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
Post-retirement benefit	-	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation & amortization	325	333	(8)	1,950	2,000	(50)
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>1,415</b>	<b>1,467</b>	<b>(52)</b>	<b>8,349</b>	<b>8,887</b>	<b>(538)</b>
<b>Net operating income</b>	<b>997</b>	<b>695</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>6,323</b>	<b>3,994</b>	<b>2,329</b>
<b>Non-operating income (expense)</b>						
Interest income	3	4	(1)	14	25	(11)
Interest expense	(40)	(63)	23	(234)	(376)	142
Net non-operating	(37)	(59)	22	(220)	(351)	131
<b>Total revenue less expenses</b>	<b>\$ 960</b>	<b>\$ 636</b>	<b>\$ 324</b>	<b>\$ 6,103</b>	<b>\$ 3,643</b>	<b>\$ 2,460</b>