

Materials Management Methodology Draft Agreements

Developed by a Committee of CO, MT, ND, SD, UT, and WY State offices and Recycling Association representatives.

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Origin of Materials Management Methodology Committee

- EPA Region 8 States (CO, MT, ND, SD, UT, WY) convened in June of 2010 to discuss the potential for Regional Consistency among Materials Measurement
- Voluntarily formed Committee with each State Office Solid Waste and State Recycling/Solid Waste Association representatives
- Initial Goal was to find agreement on Interstate consistency of:
 - Terminology/Definitions;
 - Common Commodities;
 - Units of Measurement;
 - Unified Data Analysis Tool
 - Market development opportunities

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State Attributes that Affect Materials Measurement

- Vast transportation distances between communities, transfer stations, and markets
- 5 of 6 States have Voluntary Reporting only.
- Annual Measurement reports are solicited from specific entities.
- Slight variances in definitions between States.
- Desire to make a reporting form that is Simple to understand & enter data into.
 - A burdensome reporting form could mean a loss of data from an entity in a voluntary reporting State.
- Interested in calculating Inter-state materials traffic.

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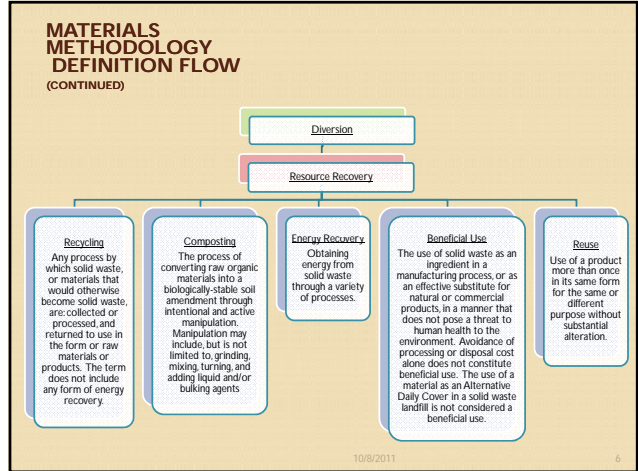
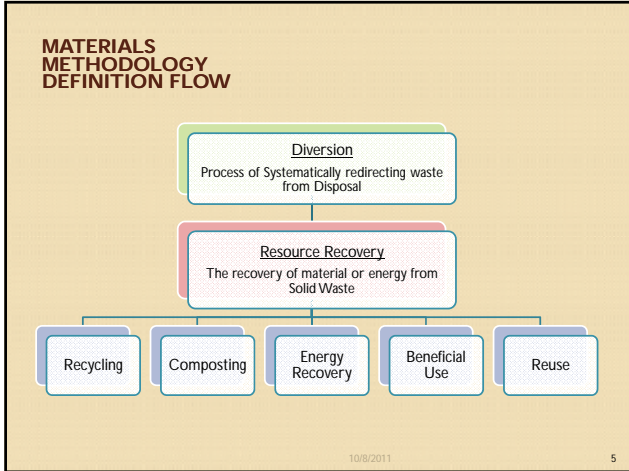
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Focus of Committee's Efforts

- Agreeing on a Core Commodities list
 - For each State to measure in their best means possible
 - Create a stable base of comparable commodities
 - Accommodate more specific data gatherings, but still allow for common commodity categories and subcategories.
- Reach common understanding and usage of key terms (ie. Diversion, Recycling, Energy Recovery, Reuse)
 - Basing all changes of "agreed" definitions on compiled State regulations and thorough discussions of the impacts
 - By doing so, creates "Apples to Apples" measurement and lends to interstate comparisons/coordination.

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Other Critical Materials Measurement Methodology Definitions (draft)

- Disposal:** means the discharge, deposit, injection, dumping, spilling, leaking, or placing of any solid waste or hazardous waste into or on any land or water so that such solid waste or hazardous waste or any constituent thereof may enter the environment or be emitted into the air or discharged into any waters, including ground waters. (SWDA)
- Industrial Solid Waste:** means solid waste that is not subject to regulation as a hazardous waste generated from manufacturing operations, construction, food processing, industrial processes; or agricultural and mining wastes that are managed by a solid waste facility and regulated at State agencies.
- Municipal Solid Waste:** means solid waste from household, community, and commercial sources that does not contain regulated hazardous wastes. Sectors defined within MSW include:
 - Residential Solid Waste:** means any solid waste derived from households, including single and multiple residences, crew quarters, campgrounds, and other public recreation and public land management facilities.
 - Commercial Solid Waste:** means all solid wastes generated by stores, hotels, markets, offices, restaurants, warehouses, and other non-manufacturing activities, excluding residential and industrial wastes.

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AGREED COMMODITIES

****Account for Materials actually Diverted to viable Resource Recovery End Use****

Select Facility Type: or circle one of the following:
(MRF, Permitted Landfill, Municipality, Transfer Station, Salvage Recycler, Community, Large Retail Business, Broker)

Materials within each General Commodity grouping are organized by Sub-category, and further to Individual Commodity. Please provide data in the most specific categories possible.

General Commodity	Sub-category	Individual Commodity	Total	Amount	Units of Measure	Optional: Shipped Out-of-State?
Paper	(not included in the list, mixed amount allowed)	Paper (All Mixed)		0	#	0/1 Yrs. where
		White Office Paper (high)	#		0/1 Yrs. where	
		Mixed Paper (newsprint, other office paper)	#		0/1 Yrs. where	
		Phonebooks	#		0/1 Yrs. where	
		Cardboard (& Paperboard)	0		0/1 Yrs. where	
		(not included in the Cardboard amount above) Paperboard	#		0/1 Yrs. where	
		Cardboard	#		0/1 Yrs. where	
Metals		Residential Aluminum Cans	#		0/1 Yrs. where	
		Residential Steel Cans / Tin Cans (food containers)	#		0/1 Yrs. where	
		White Goods	#		0/1 Yrs. where	
		Total	0	Units	0/1 Yrs. where	

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AGREED COMMODITIES (CONTINUED)

Auto Scrap / Shred	#			Yes/No, where
Industrial Non-Ferrous	#			Yes/No, where
Industrial Ferrous	#			Yes/No, where
Other Industrial steel	#			Yes/No, where
Batteries	Total:	0	Units	
Vehicle Batteries	#			Yes/No, where
Other Batteries (rechargeables & all else)	#			Yes/No, where
Plastics (#1 -#7 Mixed)	Total:		Units	
	Subtotals:			
#1 & #2 Mixed	#	0		Yes/No, where
<i>(not included in the #1 & #2 Mixed amount above)</i>				
PET #1	#			Yes/No, where
HDPE #2 - Mixed	#	0		Yes/No, where
<i>(not included in the HDPE #2 amount above)</i>				
HDPE #2 Natural	#			Yes/No, where
HDPE #2 Colored	#			Yes/No, where
All others #3 through #7	#			Yes/No, where
Organics	Total:	0	Units	
Other Organics	#			Yes/No, where
Food Scraps	#			Yes/No, where
Yard Trimmings (grass & wood chips)	#			Yes/No, where
Agricultural Organics (livestock, manure, food waste)	#			Yes/No, where
Compost Feed Stock	#			Yes/No, where
Biosolids	#			Yes/No, where

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AGREED COMMODITIES (CONTINUED)

Food Processing Residuals	#			Yes/No, where
Sewage Sludge	#			Yes/No, where
Drywall	#			Yes/No, where
Other Compostables	#			Yes/No, where
Wood	Total:	0	Units	
Agricultural Wood (Large Limbs & Stumps)	#			Yes/No, where
Construction/Dimensional Lumber/	#			Yes/No, where
Pallets/Crates/Shingles	#			Yes/No, where
Forestry Secondary Materials - Mill byproducts	#			Yes/No, where
Aggregates	Total:	0	Units	
Concrete	#			Yes/No, where
Asphalt pavement	#			Yes/No, where
Other	#			Yes/No, where
Coal Combustion Products	Total:	0	Units	
Fly Ash	#			Yes/No, where
FGD Gypsum	#			Yes/No, where
Bottom Ash	#			Yes/No, where
Coal Slag	#			Yes/No, where
All others	#			Yes/No, where
Textiles	Total:	0	Units	
Carpet	#			Yes/No, where
Carpet Padding	#			Yes/No, where
Other textiles (clothing, fabric, upholstery)	#			Yes/No, where

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AGREED COMMODITIES (CONTINUED)

Glass	Total:	0	Units	
Mixed Glass	#	0		Yes/No, where
Amber Glass (not included in the Mixed amount above)	#			Yes/No, where
Scrap Tires / Rubber	Total:	0	Units	
Passenger Tires	#			Yes/No, where
Commercial Trucks	#			Yes/No, where
Used Oil	Total:	0	Units	
Anti-Freeze	Total:	0	Units	
Cooking Oils	Total:	0	Units	
Electronics	Total:	0	Units	
Mixed Electronics	#	0		Yes/No, where
Monitors & TV's (not included in the Mixed amount above)	#			Yes/No, where
Asphalt Shingles	Total:	0	Units	

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AGREED COMMODITIES (CONTINUED)

Alternative Daily Cover	Total:	0	Units	
List amounts of different materials used for alternative daily cover. For Tracking purposes only, amounts will not be added to total of Resource Recovery.	Write in...			Yes/No, where
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Single Stream Recyclables	Total:	0	Units	
List materials in your Single Stream collection	...			Yes/No, where
	...			Yes/No, where
Other Materials	Total:	0	Units	
	Write in...			Yes/No, where
	Write in...			Yes/No, where
	Write in...			Yes/No, where

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Conversions of Materials not Reported by Weight

The Preferable Unit of Measure = Tons (2,000 lbs)

To ensure that all Material data reported as a non-weight based amount could be converted uniformly :

→ The Committee performed comparison research of trusted reference material and agreed to use:

- The EPA Office of Solid Waste's "Volume to Weight Conversion Factors" was the most consistent among all sources (<http://wastewise.tmslcf.com/re-trac/Volume-to-WeightConversionFactors.pdf>)
- The EPA Office of Solid Waste's "Standard Volume to Weight Conversion Factors" provided more detailed commodity conversions (<http://www.epa.gov/osw/pair/relationships/wastewise/pubs/conversions.pdf>)

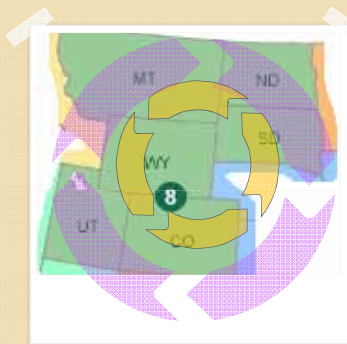
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Confidentiality

- States that have Confidentiality Clauses:
 - Will uphold their ethical and legal agreements
- States that do not have Confidentiality Clauses:
 - Will ask their Waste/Recycling Associations to gather data, remove confidential information, and calculate whole numbers before giving to State's Representatives

The Committee is interested in the combined numbers of commodities, origin location, and market direction. Keeping your Business viable is the key to our purpose.



Long Term Focus:

- 1) Assess the Flow of Commodities
- 2) Develop Strategies to retain: Commodities → Markets → Value \$\$ Locally.

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In July, EPA put a request out for comments on their existing Waste Characterization Report. The comment period is over and the EPA is reviewing those at this time.

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