

WA Commingled Improvements Project: Southwest Region Workgroup

Focus on Metals in the Commingled System

September 24, 2009 9:00 am – 12:30 pm

Ecology HQ, Lacey: Room 3F-10

Meeting Objectives

1. Share information from each sector of the system – curb, MRF, mill – on how metals are prepared, collected, processed, and used as a final product.
2. Receive responses to the questions that appear on the reverse of this agenda.
3. Determine if more information is needed to fully understand how metals act in the commingled system, and at what quality and quantity they are being recovered for reuse.

Please be prepared to provide answers to the questions from your sector on the reverse.

Agenda

- 9:00 – 9:05 Welcome & Introductions – *Shannon McClelland*
- 9:05 – 9:10 Review of Agenda and Meeting Objectives – *Shannon*
- 9:10 – 9:30 Discuss messaging to public on material preparation & collection for metals
– *Local governments & Haulers*
- 9:30 – 10:15 Discuss metals from the MRF perspective - *MRFs*
- 10:15 – 10:45 Discuss metals from the end-use perspective – *Nucor Steel Seattle*
- 10:45 – 11:00 Break
- 11:00 – 11:30 Discuss metals from the end-use perspective – *(TBA: Anheuser-Busch?)*
- 11:30 – 11:45 Review the information – Do we have what we need? – *All*
- 11:45 – 12:05 Discuss approach to Glass mtg. – *All*
- 12:05 – 12:20 Review report template (Shannon will provide) – Does this meet your needs? - *All*
- 12:20 – 12:30 Next Steps & Adjourn – *Shannon*

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Questions to be answered for Metals:

For Local Governments and Collectors

- What is the messaging for preparation?
- Special/extra messaging?
- Collected the same as other materials?
- Does it provide revenue for your program or is it only a cost?
- Percent of total materials collected in program?

For Processors

- Percent of total incoming?
- Quality of incoming?
- Problems in processing?
- Areas that could be improved from MRF perspective?
- Percent of residual?
- Rate the market: Strong, medium, weak for local and export?
- High value commodity?
- Easy to move?

For Manufacturers/End users

- Prohibitives?
- Outhrows?
- Yield loss?
- Capacity/ Need to use more?
- Problems with your equipment?
- Value in using vs. other virgin feedstock?
- Final product?