# **2016 Michigan Recycling Coalition Summit and Conference**

# Zero Waste to Landfill Efforts in the West Michigan Region

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## **Review of ZWL User Group Activities**

## **Environmental Sustainability**

**MMTC-West Learning Series** 

#### **Zero Waste to Landfill**

#### Mission:

The mission of the Zero Waste to Landfill (ZWL) Learning Series is to encourage and assist businesses prevent waste from being sent to landfills. The user group will promote the Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Recovery (energy) hierarchy. It will help members keep materials otherwise destined to be landfilled into a productive closed-loop cycle of commerce through education, evaluation, research and joint activities.





## **ZWL User Group Membership**

- Members Meet Six Time per Year
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of Every Other Month
- Focus on Finding Solutions to Hard-To Recover Wastes
- Currently There are Eight Member Companies
- Cost is \$795 per Year per Company
- Up to Two Company Representatives
- Facilitated by Sustainable Research Group



#### **Zero Waste to Landfill**

# LANDFILL-FREE VERIFICATION PROGRAM

Presented by Bryan Dayton, MS, CHMM, CPEA





# **ZWL Member**Powder & Wood Waste Generation Survey

- Powder coat waste (3 member companies)
  - -920 Tons per Year

- Wood waste (3 member companies)
  - -61,300 Tons per Year



#### **Powder Coat Waste**

## Compiled a list of 12 Active Powder Coat Waste Brokers seeking Material

#### RECENT POW DER COAT RECYCLING CONTACTS

Shangha i Kima Chemical Co., Ltd. is a Chinese leading chemical enterprise and is engaged
in the operation of agrochemicals, water treatment chemicals, Silicone sealants,
Thickeners and some other chemicals. From the establishment in the year of 2004, the



#### **Powder Coat Waste**

# Presented with a Powder coat Waste Research Project by WMU

#### Evaluation of Potential use of Waste Powder Paint (WPP) in Cement Based Products

#### PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR

UPUL ATTANAYAKE, Ph.D., P.E. ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR



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## Recycled & Recyclable Industrial Filters

## Using recycled waste plastic scrap to manufacture new industrial filters









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HTI is a technology company which specializes in distributed renewable energy power plants and design systems which convert organic wastes to energy.



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February 2014

HTI processes 500,000lbs of turkey litter to recover Phosphorous and Potassium

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#### **HTI's Mission Statement**

- Identify wastes that have the greatest potential for converting waste to energy.
- Quantify the economic and environmental benefits associated with our biomass to energy conversion machinery.
- Develop and manufacture Ceramic Heat Exchangers that can operate in acidic environments and extremely high temperatures and high pressure.
- Support and assist our customers in the design and application of biomass gasifiers and high temperature Ceramic Heat Exchangers.



## **Guest Speakers From:**

- Integrated Resource Management: Kurt Wirgau, General Manager, Heritage Interactive Services
- Powder Coat Waste to Concrete Products Research Review,
   Upul Attanayake, Ph.D., P.E., Associate Professor Dept. of Civil
   & Construction Engineering Western Michigan University
- Dave Prouty, President Heat Transfer International
- Brian Smith, Zero Waste Advisor, New Soil
- MI Tech Univ. /MI St. Univ. ReForge Engineered Wood Recovery Research Program
- Darwin Baas, Director, Kent County Department of Public
   Works County Zero Waste Initiative



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**Board of Public Works** 

Letter of Understanding

Zero Waste to landfill User Group C/O Mr. Bill Stough Sustainable Research Group PO 1684 Grand Rapids MI 49501

Dear Bill,

This letter is intended to memorialize the ZWTL User Group partnership with Kent County Department of Public Works (DPW) to collaboratively evaluate energy and sustainability options for a variety of industrial and process wastes generated in the West Michigan region and destined for landfill disposal. The project will determine feedstock (waste) supply, develop project concepts that evaluate processing and conversion technology, site location requirements, thumbraile conomics, contractual relationships and financing.

The DPW and the ZWTL User Groupagree to the following:

- A financial contribution by a supporting member assures involvement indeveloping and implementing the feasibility study. Supporting members are Grand Rapids Label. Company, Haworth, Herman Miller, Landscape Forms and Trendway Corporation.
- The project goal is to establish a long-term and reliable option to landfilling.
- Supporting members will be afforded the opportunity to review a draft of the summary report to ensure any proprieta rycompany information is a dequately protected and provide in put on study conclusions prior to final documents being prepared, reviewed. and approved by the Board of Public Works and made available for public consumption.
- Preferred access will provided to supporting members should the summary report lead. to construction of a process and/or facility providing ZWTL technology.
- Any new process on facility developed from this study will not send feedstock materials. to a landfilla lthough process residuals may require disposal.

KENT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Best Regards,

Darwin J. Baas

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## **ZWL Members Support Study**













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#### **Review of Past ZWL Activities**

- Zero Waste to Landfill Certifications Programs
- Powder Coat Waste
- Construction/Demolition Waste Reduction
- Filter Waste Recycling
- Business Composting Systems
- Recovering Energy From Hard to Recycle Wastes
- MTU/MSU Wood Waste Recovery Research
- Evaluating Local Waste Technology HTI
- Partnering with Kent County DPW to Assess Material Recovery Opportunities



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