

# **Solid Waste Management Advisory Subcommittee on Construction & Demolition Minutes**

June 24, 2008

Present: Elaine Coelho, Patricia Porter, John Pizzimenti, Matt McKinney, Marshall Gaston, Diane Duva, Ross Bunnell, Jennifer Weymouth, John Powers, Peter Egan, Representative from O&G Industries, Representative from Fuss & O'Neill, and Sherill Baldwin

Open discussion following Matt McKinney's presentation:

- Sherill Baldwin introduced herself as a new DEP employee that will be focusing on C & D recycling.
- Discussion with Matt McKinney and others about markets to help facilitate and increase C & D recovery in CT
  - Why are markets not in CT for C & D? Not just permitting, but it costs more to recycle in many cases.
  - IRN becoming more established in CT and as a result of them meeting high recycling rates with their projects, our markets may be saturated.
  - Markets in Mass. and elsewhere, but transportation makes these cost prohibitive, need more local markets.
- Ross Bunnell of DEP/WEED pointed out that recycling rates for C&D waste could actually be enhanced and the recyclability of the materials separated improved through increased compliance with various environmental, health and safety requirements that apply to renovation and demolition. He shared different printed materials (many of which are available on DEP website) for municipalities, contractors and the general public about environmental health and safety regarding renovation and demolition projects.
- There are no meetings this summer. Meetings will reconvene in September. Sherill encouraged everyone to think about topics or issues they would like to learn more about or focus on in the future. If anyone has ideas for a topic and/or speakers for future meetings, please contact Sherill with your ideas at 860.424.3440 or [sherill.baldwin@ct.gov](mailto:sherill.baldwin@ct.gov).

Next meeting September 23, 2008