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Commissioner and Chair

**Minutes of a Meeting of the
Trade Waste Advisory Board**

Date and time: September 19, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.
Location: New York City Business Integrity Commission,
100 Church St., 20th Floor, New York, N.Y. 10007

Attendees:

Business Integrity Commission

Daniel Brownell, Commissioner and Chair
Noah Genel, General Counsel
John Curry, Assistant Commissioner of Legal Affairs
David Mandell, Deputy General Counsel for Regulatory Enforcement
Salvador Arrona, Director of Policy
Santiago Mueckay, Policy Analyst (notes)

Department of Sanitation

Justin Bland, Policy Analyst

Industry

Andy Moss, Assistant Secretary, IESI NY/Progressive Waste Solutions
Nino Tristani, Vice President, Five Star Carting, Inc.
Michele Van Orden, General Counsel, Cardella Trucking Co. Inc.
Ron Bergamini, CEO, Action Carting Environmental Services, Inc.
John DiNardi, Secretary and Treasurer, D&D Carting Co. Inc.
Thomas Toscano, CFO/CLO, Mr. T Carting Corp.
Kendal Christiansen, Chapter Manager, NWRA

BIC agenda items:

- 1) Explosion in Chelsea
 - a. Following the explosion in Chelsea over the weekend, some streets have been blocked off, including 23rd Street between 5th and 7th avenue.
 - b. An idea was proposed to include an anti-terrorism training component at the next industry led safety event.
 - i. Private haulers have hundreds of drivers operating every night and the more vigilant eyes on the street, the better.
 - ii. The event can reinforce the “if you see something, say something” mantra.

- 2) The United Nations General Assembly has led to frozen zones and various street closings in New York City.
 - a. The industry may contact BIC if it encounters any further issues.
- 3) Customer Register Portal
 - a. BIC has rolled out an online portal for the submission of customer registers.
 - b. BIC is aware that there may be some issues with the portal.
 - c. BIC is working on solutions to these issues and will soon propose an interim solution to these problems.
 - d. The industry must make a good faith effort to use the customer register portal.
 - e. BIC will send out a survey to all licensees regarding the customer register.
 - f. Kendal Christiansen mentioned that the next NWRA Chapter Meeting will be taking place on Wednesday, September 21, and he would share these updates with their members.
- 4) Complaints and tips
 - a. BIC requested that any complaints from the industry be sent to BIC's Complaints Coordinator, Amanda Horowitz, at the following email address: ahorowitz@bic.nyc.gov. The BIC complaint telephone number is (212) 437-0600.
- 5) Decals
 - a. Customers have been questioning their carters regarding the new version of the decals that signify which carter services each business and other pertinent information.
 - b. BIC expects to have new decals by early November.
- 6) Zone Collection
 - a. Justin Bland, policy analyst for the Department of Sanitation, joined the meeting to give an update on the zone collection study and the next steps to be taken.
 - b. DSNY and BIC conducted the study, and the results were compelling enough for the City to move forward with the next steps.
 - i. The City does not yet know what the zone collection structure will look like.
 - ii. The new system will likely implement geographic zones and competitive bidding.
 - c. Next steps:
 - i. The City will retain a consultant to develop the implementation plan and to reach out to stakeholders throughout the process.
 - ii. There will be a meeting on September 28th to go over the initial scope of the project.
 - iii. The meeting will have representatives from DSNY, BIC, the trade waste industry, BIDs and advocates.
- 7) Fatal Accident on August 31, 2016
 - a. There was a fatal accident involving a trade waste vehicle on August 31, 2016, on the Long Island Expressway.
 - b. Although this accident does not appear to be the fault of the driver of the trade waste vehicle, this accident should serve as a reminder of the importance of safety in the industry.
- 8) Commercial Recycling Collection Authorization Form
 - a. Sal Arrona of BIC presented a draft of the new Commercial Recycling Collection Authorization form, which carters will have to complete in order to be authorized

- by BIC to use one of the new collection methods for recycling (single stream collection or co-collection).
- b. The new form should be posted on BIC's website early next week.
 - c. BIC received feedback on the form and will make improvements to the form before it is rolled out.
- 9) Industry Safety Event
- a. The last safety symposium was a great success and various members of the industry have been planning on holding a new event this fall.
 - b. The next safety symposium will be held between November 15 and December 15, 2016.
- 10) Andy Moss Presentation on Disposal Facilities and Landfills
- a. Andy Moss presented two videos on landfills and the way in which landfills are built to protect groundwater and the environment.
 - b. The second video was about renewable energy and the way in which landfills can be used to create renewable energy through gas collection.
- 11) The next Trade Waste Advisory Board meeting will be on October 27, 2016.
- a. The November and December 2016 meetings will be merged into one meeting to take place on December 8th.
 - b. BIC is attempting to secure a member of NYPD's highway patrol to present on trade waste truck inspections and violations at the next TWAB meeting.