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Commissioner and Chair

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

Date and time: October 26, 2017 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

Noah Genel, Deputy Commissioner of Legal Affairs and General Counsel
Salvador Arrona, Director of Policy
David Mandell, Deputy General Counsel for Regulatory Enforcement
Elise Ryan, Senior Legal Analyst (notes)

Industry

Ron Bergamini, CEO, Action Carting Environmental Services, Inc.
Thomas Toscano, CFO/CLO, Mr. T Carting Corp.
Kendall Christiansen, Executive Director, New Yorkers for Responsible Waste Management
Andy Moss, Government Affairs Manager, Waste Connections
Nino Tristani, COO, GPB Waste NY, LLC
David Biderman, Executive Director and CEO, Solid Waste Association of North America
(by phone)

Not present

Daniel Brownell, Commissioner and Chair
John DiNardi, Secretary and Treasurer, D&D Carting Co. Inc.
Michele Van Orden, General Counsel, Cardella Trucking Co. Inc.
Steven Changaris, Regional Manager, NWRA

Discussion Items

1. Third Safety Symposium Recap

- a. The Third Safety Symposium held on October 24, 2017, was a success.
- b. Members of the industry commented on the lively panel discussions.
- c. The panelists from the industry contributed candid and thoughtful comments.
- d. The video produced by the Taxi and Limousine Commission was very impactful. Mangers intend to share the video with trade waste vehicle operators.
- e. There was a discussion about how to best reach drivers and helpers, as the turn-out from those group at the safety symposia is low. There was general agreement that it

may be best to have a separate symposium held at a more convenient time and location for drivers and helpers.

2. August 1st – Beginning of Recycling and Organics Rules Enforcement
 - a. BIC is actively enforcing the new recycling and organics rules.
 - b. Industry continued to express concerns and the challenges regarding recycling waxed cardboard and glass.
3. Rate Cap Hearing and Timeline
 - a. November 18, 2017, is the deadline for comments.
 - b. BIC requests more data from the industry and any other interested parties to make a more informed decision.
4. DSNY Organics Rules Hearing – October 31, 2017
 - a. BIC reminded industry members of an upcoming DSNY hearing pursuant to the City Administrative Procedure Act regarding the proposed expansion of organic waste source separation requirements.
5. BIC Safety Initiatives
 - a. BIC informed the industry members of a safety initiatives presentation to City Hall's subgroup of Vision Zero.
 - b. BIC's safety initiatives include greater communication with the industry via TWAB meetings, BIC's website and Twitter page, safety bulletins, and safety symposia. BIC also increased its coordination with various City agencies including NYPD, DOT, FDNY, MTA, DSNY, and DCAS. Additional safety efforts are in development, including public outreach with the community and educational campaigns. Internally, BIC formed a collision response team to respond to crashes as they occur.
 - c. Industry members volunteered to proactively inform BIC when their company has been in a serious collision resulting in serious injury or death. Industry members also expressed support in tracking crash statistics for trade waste vehicles operating in New York City.
6. Cardboard Theft
 - a. Industry members raised concerns regarding cardboard theft. They have observed box trucks stealing cardboard specifically from baled cardboard stops.
 - b. BIC and industry are continuing to explore solutions for stopping the theft.
7. The next TWAB meeting will take place on Thursday, December 7th at 10:00 a.m. and will combine November and December's meetings.