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Noah D. Genel  
*Commissioner and Chair*

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

Date and time: November 8, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

Location: New York City Business Integrity Commission,  
100 Church St., 20th Floor, New York, NY 10007

*Attendees:*

Business Integrity Commission

Noah Genel, Commissioner and Chair

David Feldman, Deputy Commissioner of Legal Affairs and General Counsel

David Mandell, Associate Commissioner of Legal Affairs and Deputy General Counsel

Salvador Arrona, Director of Policy

Giselle Ramirez, Senior Legal Analyst (notes)

Industry

Ron Bergamini, CEO, Action Carting Environmental Services, Inc.

David Biderman, Executive Director and CEO, Solid Waste Association of North  
America (SWANA) (by phone)

Steven Changaris, Regional Manager, National Waste & Recycling Association (NWRA)

Kendall Christiansen, Executive Director, New Yorkers for Responsible Waste  
Management (NYRWM)

John DiNardi, Secretary and Treasurer, D&D Carting Co. Inc.

Andy Moss, Government Affairs Manager, Waste Connections

Thomas Toscano, CEO, Mr. T Carting Corp.

Not in attendance

Michele Van Orden, General Counsel, Cardella Trucking Co. Inc.

***BIC agenda items***

- Safety
  - Intro No. 1573-A passed.
    - a. There is a lot of room for improvement for safety in the trade waste industry. The new law will help BIC continue its efforts towards a safer industry.
    - b. Industry members suggested reaching out to vehicle manufacturers to discuss better truck design.
    - c. BIC is drafting new safety-related rules

- Commercial Waste Zone bill also passed, along with other bills.
- Side guard bill pending at New York City Council (Intro No. 1789)
  - a. BIC is working to move the deadline to 2021.
- Volpe study / BIC presentation at DCAS event
  - a. BIC is collaborating with U.S. DOT Volpe and DCAS to perform a study into safer vehicle design for trade waste vehicles.
- WasteCon Safety Summit, 10/22 – 10/24
  - a. BIC attended the event to learn about safety measures taken by the trade waste industry nationwide.
- LL145
  - January 1, 2020 is the compliance date.
    - a. BIC has reached out to non-compliant companies to inquire about compliance plans to meet the deadline.
    - b. TWAB members expect full compliance by January 1, 2020.
  - Must make sure all information is updated in BIC vehicle portal
    - a. Companies must obtain a DEP decal to certify a vehicle has been retrofitted and complies with the law. Companies must update the vehicle management portal with this information.
  - BIC conducting outreach regarding compliance
    - a. BIC continues its outreach to both licensees and registrants to promote compliance and educate the industry about the law.
- Rate cap
  - Deadline to submit additional information was 11/7
    - a. BIC expressed that a substantive economic analysis is more useful than general statements in support of an increase of the rate cap.
  - PPI to be released in January
    - a. BIC will be making a final decision after the PPI is released.

***Agenda items requested by non-BIC TWAB members***

- Industry size/structure data
  - There was a discussion regarding companies that collect putrescible waste. BIC currently regulates approximately 90 such companies.
- There was a discussion regarding union regulation. BIC granted an extension of the deadline for submitting union applications. The new deadline is December 13, 2019.<sup>1</sup>

**The next TWAB meeting will take place on Thursday, January 23, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.**

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<sup>1</sup> In December 2019, this deadline was extended to February 28, 2020.