



**The City of New York  
BUSINESS INTEGRITY COMMISSION**

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Elizabeth Crotty  
*Commissioner and Chair*

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

Date and time: September 14, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.  
Location: New York City Business Integrity Commission,  
100 Church St., 20<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10007

*Attendees:*

Business Integrity Commission

Elizabeth Crotty, Commissioner and Chair  
David Feldman, Deputy Commissioner of Legal Affairs and General Counsel  
Nicole Mathias, Director of Policy  
Sahara Saint-Hubert, Executive Agency Counsel  
Matthew Finkel, Executive Agency Counsel  
Benjamin Karam, Legal Analyst  
Daisy Garcia Montiel, Policy Analyst

Industry

Michele Van Orden, Cardella Trucking Co. Inc.  
Andrew Moss, Waste Connections of New York Inc.  
Adam Mitchell, Mr. T Carting Corp.  
Lewis Dubuque, National Waste and Recycling Association (NWRA)  
David Biderman, Biderman Consulting, LLC  
Ron Bergamini, Action Carting Environmental Services, Inc. (by phone)  
John DiNardi, D&D Carting Co. Inc. (by phone)

***BIC Agenda Items***

- Upcoming Rate Cap Hearing
  - BIC will hold a virtual hearing on the maximum rate that may be charged by licensees for the collection, removal, disposal, or recycling of trade waste on October 11, 2023 at 11:00am.

- Safe Operations
  - BIC reminded the industry of the importance of prioritizing safety during operations including staying off of the sidewalk and out of bike lanes, and exercising caution during loading and unloading of containers.
- Customer Register
  - Reminder that customer registers covering the third quarter of 2023 will be due by October 31, 2023.
- Driver/Helper Online Portal Module
  - Hundreds of trade waste companies have started digitally disclosing drivers and helpers. Industry reports the feature has been working well.

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

- A TWAB member suggested amending BIC rules regarding recordkeeping requirements for six-month mechanic vehicle inspection reports to allow for submission via the BIC Online Portal rather than requiring the reports to be kept in the vehicle.
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- A TWAB member requested clarity on BIC requirements regarding customer-facing employees given ongoing implementation of the Department of Sanitation’s (DSNY) Commercial Waste Zones program.
  - BIC rules and requirements continue to be in effect unless otherwise specified in the rule itself.
- A TWAB member asked about the Commercial Waste Zones Safety Task Force and the timing of the next task force meeting.
  - The CWZ Safety Task Force is chaired by the DSNY Commissioner.
- A TWAB member expressed a concern regarding locked and chained containers following the new DSNY container rules that make it difficult for trade waste drivers to collect the waste.
- A TWAB member raised concerns regarding dust and idling-related administrative violations.
  - Concerns should be directed to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), the agency that issues idling violations – or to OATH.

***Next TWAB meeting***

- A date for the next TWAB meeting will be confirmed by email.