

Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding is entered into by the

RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION,
DIVISION OF PLANNING
STATEWIDE PLANNING PROGRAM (SPP)
the
RHODE ISLAND RESOURCE RECOVERY CORPORATION
and the
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

The Division of Planning, the Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation, and the Department of Environmental Management, jointly declare their agreement that:

Whereas, the Statewide Planning Program (SPP) of the Division of Planning is designated by Rhode Island General Law Chapter 42-11 as the central state planning agency for the State of Rhode Island, and is further charged with maintaining a long range State Guide Plan for the physical, social and economic development of the State; and

Whereas, the *Rhode Island Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan* was adopted as Element 171 of the State Guide Plan for the period of April 12, 2007 through April 12, 2012, to provide goals and policy direction to the Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation (RRC) regarding the proper management of major solid wastes of the State, and

Whereas, responsibility for planning for solid waste management in Rhode Island is divided among the Department of Environmental Management Office of Waste Management (DEM OW) and the Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation (RRC) and both are charged with the proper management of solid wastes of the State, and

Whereas, in addition to its general environmental responsibilities outlined under Rhode Island General Law Chapter 42-17, the DEM OW also has delegated regulatory authority over solid waste management from the United States Environmental Protection Agency under the Federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, and

Whereas, as a part of its solid waste management responsibilities under Rhode Island General Law Chapter 23-19, the RRC is designated as Rhode Island's agency for developing and operating an integrated system of facilities and programs for meeting the need for solid waste management and recycling for the State, and

Whereas, the five- year planning period (2007 – 2012) of the current State Guide Plan has expired, changing conditions, and federal mandates dictate that the *Rhode Island Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan* must be updated.

And, whereby, do further agree and declare that,

Development and adoption of an updated **Rhode Island Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan**, Element 171 of the State Guide Plan, shall be jointly undertaken in furtherance of the missions and objectives of all parties. All parties agree to assist in preparing an updated Element for approval by the State Planning Council as part of the State Guide Plan, and that

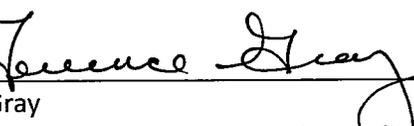
Their agencies endorse the Scope of Work and Work Program for developing an updated **Rhode Island Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan** as identified in Attachment A to this agreement, and will cooperate in providing resources, executing the procedures and tasks, and adhering to the responsibilities and schedules described therein in order to effect an updated Element of the State Guide Plan no later than November 2014.

SIGNED: 
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Date: 1-29-13

SIGNED: 
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Date: 2-7-13