



Waste-to-Energy and Alternative Conversion Technologies – Experience & Opportunities

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Intro - GBB Overview



- Headquartered in Fairfax, VA
- Established in 1980 as an objective adviser to governments, institutions, and businesses
- Focus exclusively to solid waste management
- 30+ years implementing innovative solutions for waste and recycling industry
- Owner's representative and feasibility reports for financings
- "Change Agents" to produce better services and facilities

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GBB Waste to Energy and Conversion Technology Services

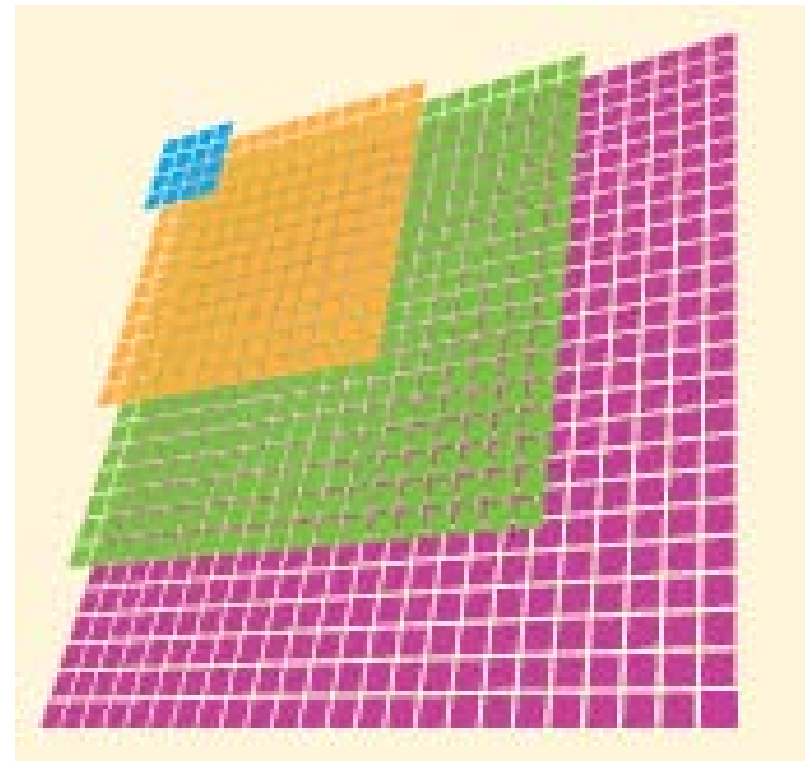
- Reviews addressing economic feasibility, technology effectiveness, environmental issues, and procurements, and project development support for retrofits or new facilities:
 - City of Allentown, PA
 - City of Annapolis, MD
 - Marion County, OR
 - County of Maui, HI
 - New Hanover County, NC
 - Orange County, NC
 - City of Plano, TX
 - Prince William County, VA
 - Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation
 - Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County, FL
- Due diligence reviews and Independent feasibility consultant



Renewable Energy Technology Land Use

Note: Waste-to-Energy uses less land per megawatt than other renewable energy sources

- WTE facilities require an average of 0.7 acres/MW
- Landfill gas requires 27 acres/MW
- Solar requires 8 acres/MW
- Wind requires 18 acres/MW



Source: Covanta Energy, 2012



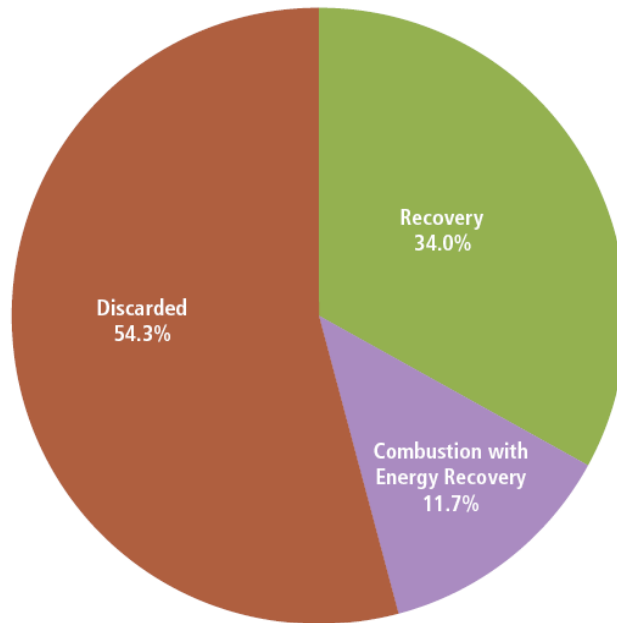
Solid Waste Reduced, But Not Going Away

	1980	2010
Solid Waste Generation	3.66 #/Capita/Day	4.43 #/Capita/Day
Amount Recycled	<10%	34%
Disposed of in Landfills	89%	54%

Source: USEPA

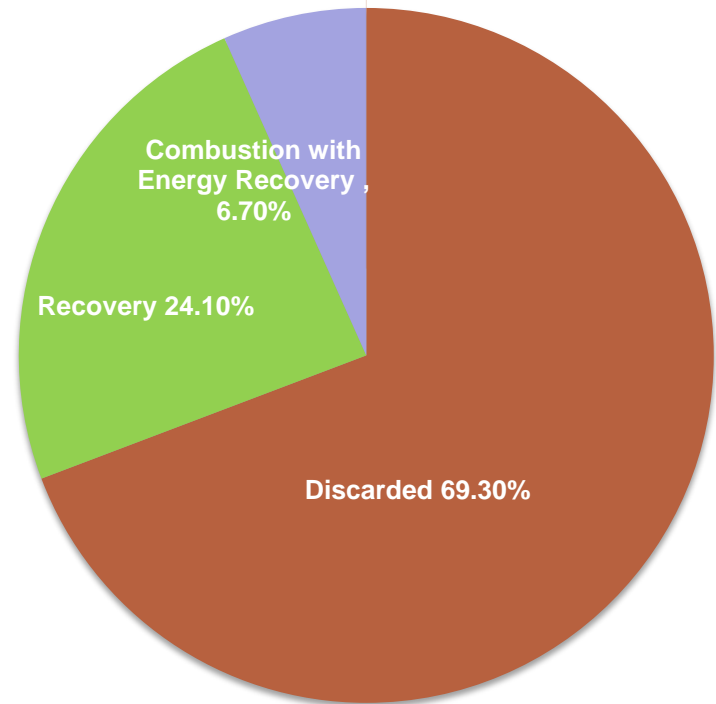


MSW Management in the U.S.



EPA Estimate: 250 million tons

2010



Biocycle Estimate: 389 million tons

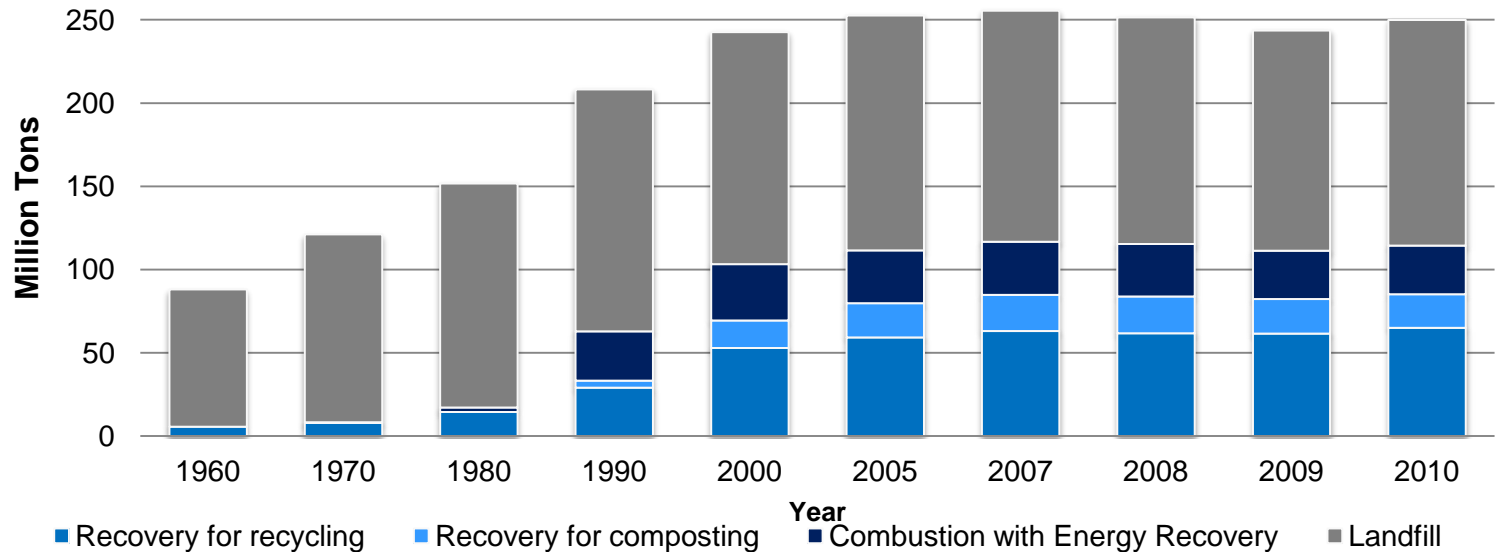
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Capacity for Growth



The total installed US WTE capacity in 2010 was 2.7 GW, combusting 11.7% of the nation's MSW

**If half of landfilled waste went to WTE → over 9 GW
(In 2011, 24.7 GW of announced coal power plant retirements)**

Source: USEPA, 2010



Factors Contributing to Increased Interest in WTE and CT's

- Federal renewable energy policy and funding
- Local governments desire to be greener and to divert more from landfills
- Local jobs (new construction & operations)
- Increase in disposal fees and transportation costs

..however, there is no disposal crisis in USA!



U.S. WTE Plants

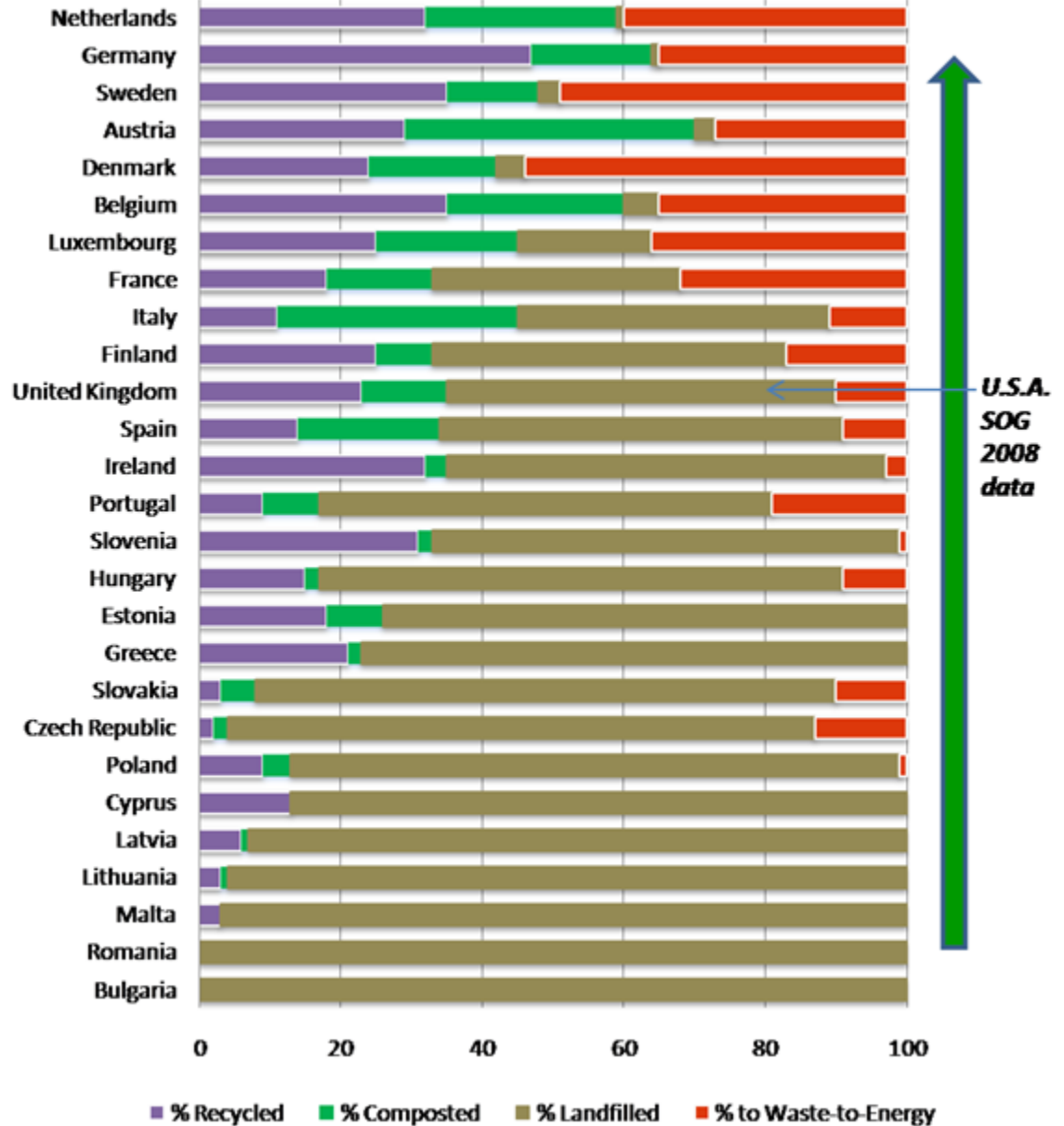
YEAR	WTE/ RDF	Pyrolysis and Gasification	MRF	Recovered (million tons)
2011	71/15	1	565	114.5





The Sustainable Waste Management Ladder

Earth Engineering Center, Columbia University (based on Eurostat 2008 data)



Source: Earth Engineering Center, Columbia University, 2009

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Locations Advancing “Proven” Technologies

- Mass burn WTE expansions
 - Completed:
 - Hillsborough County, FL - Covanta
 - Lee County, FL – Covanta
 - Olmsted County, MN – Olmsted County
 - Under construction: Honolulu, HI – Covanta
- Mass burn under construction
 - Durham York (Ontario CN) – Covanta
 - Palm Beach County, FL (SWAPBC) – B&W
- Advancing new facilities with ‘proven’ technologies:
 - Baltimore, MD – Energy Answers
 - Frederick County, MD (NMWDA) - Wheelabrator
 - City of Los Angeles, CA – Green Conversion Systems
 - Puerto Rico – Energy Answers
- Existing facilities being sold/upgraded
 - Harrisburg, PA - Covanta
 - SPSA (Virginia Beach VA area) - Wheelabrator
 - New Hanover County, NC – Covanta selected

Durham/ York (Ontario CN) Covanta



- Design, construction and operation by Covanta
- \$260 million financed by Durham and York regions
- 140,000 TPY of waste
- 17.5 MW power and steam
- Recovered ferrous (e.g. steel) and non-ferrous (e.g. aluminum etc.) metals for recycling
- Under construction with target operation date late 2014



New Hanover County, NC - Covanta



- Retrofit and operation of the existing WTE plant
- 500 TPD
- Facility first opened in 1984, and shutdown in April 2011
- 10 MW electrical power (gross)
- Following procurement process, on June 4th, 2012- County Board voted 5:0 to enter into negotiations with Covanta
- GBB is the technical consultant for the County



Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County, FL

- **Babcock & Wilcox Power Generation Group, Inc. (B&W PGG)**, and its partner, **KBR, Inc.** were selected to build the plant
- B&W PGG also to operate and provide maintenance services once the plant is operational

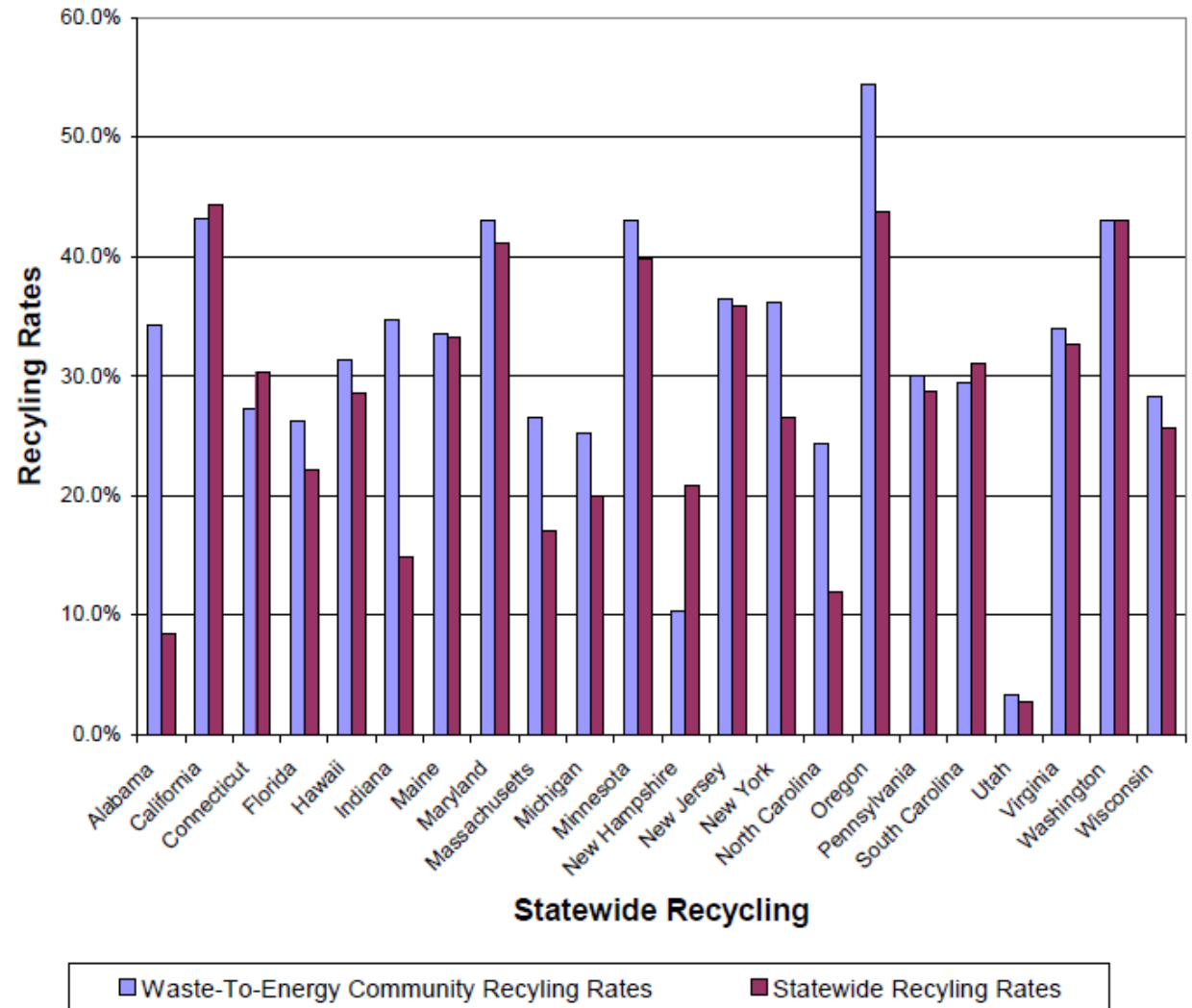


Source: Babcock & Wilcox; artist's rendering of proposed facility.

- 3,000 tons per day of MSW capacity -- \$668 million construction cost
- 325 full-time construction jobs (900 including all part time), 64 permanent, full-time operation jobs.
- Comments from the Florida Sierra Club and Institute for Local Self Reliance were received suggesting approval to be postponed, alternative waste disposal methods to be studied, especially more recycling.
- GBB hired to review and fact check the accuracy of the statements and claims made by Florida Sierra Club and ILSR
- See: <http://www.gbbinc.com/WTE-PB.shtml> for 60+ paper
- Authority Governing Board approved awarding contract in April 2011



Recycling Rates: Communities with Waste-to-Energy vs. Statewide Recycling Rates



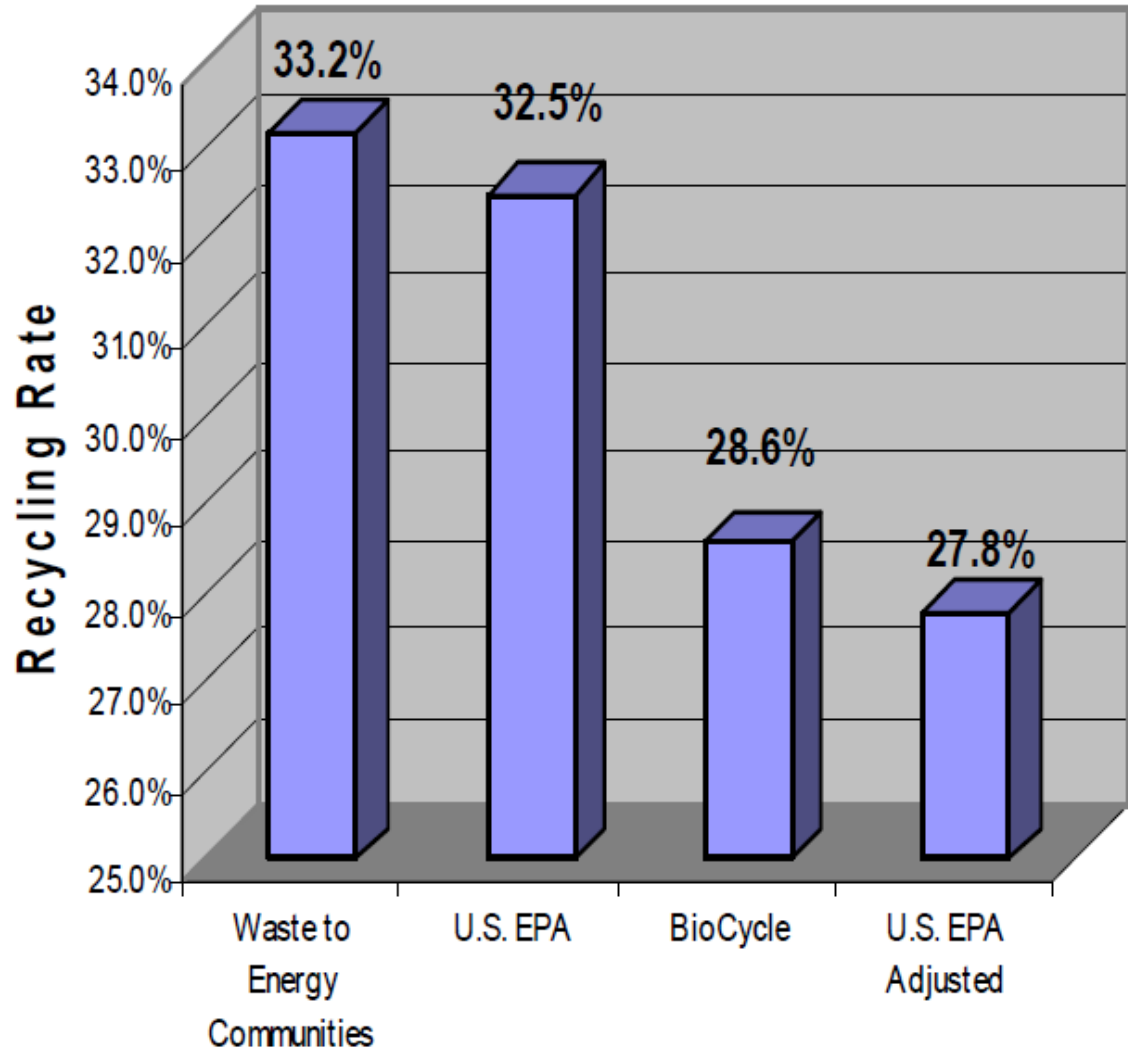
Source: Energy Recovery Council & GAA, 2009

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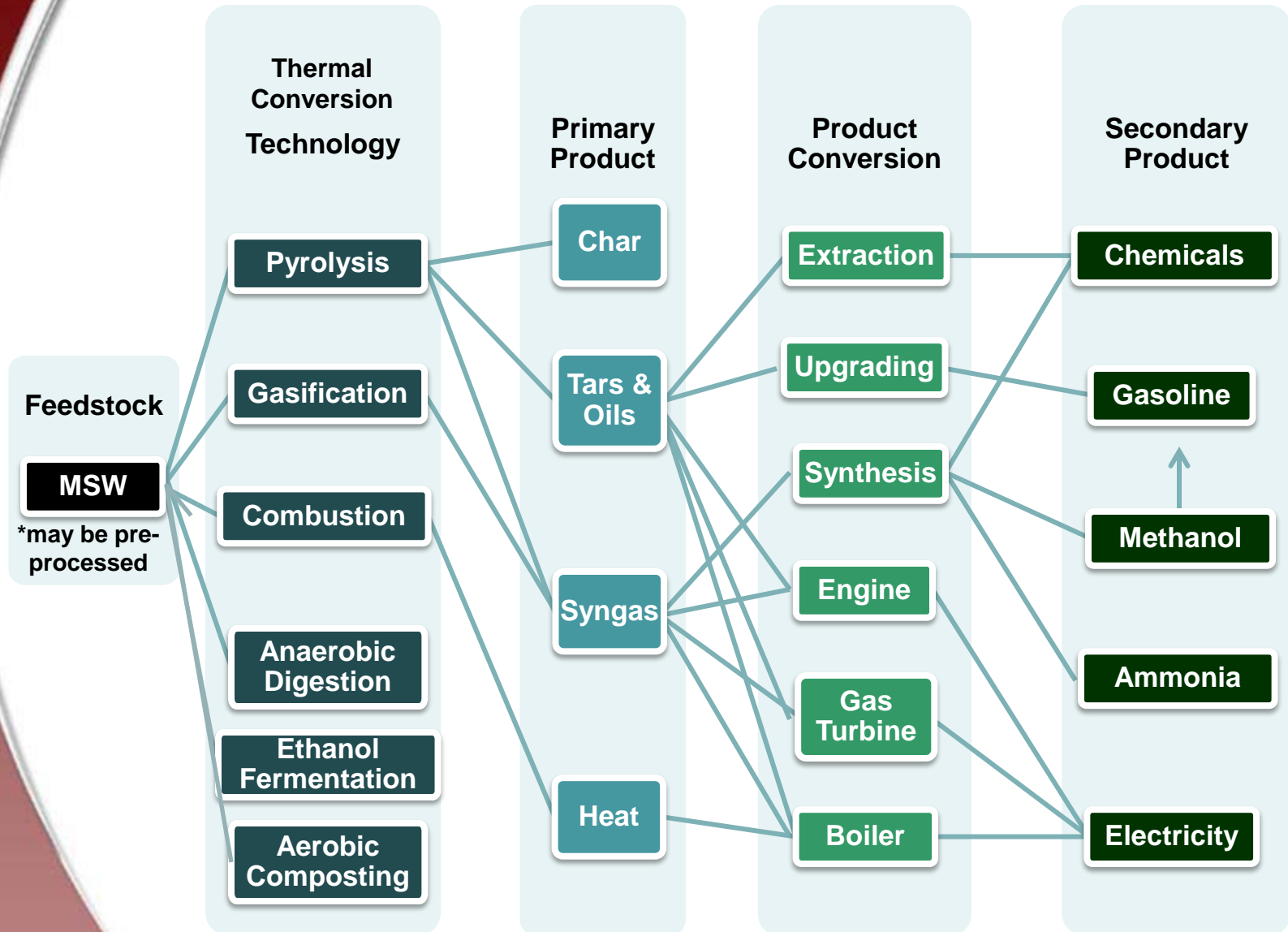


Comparison of Waste to Energy (WTE) Communities' Recycling Rate with National Rates



Source: Energy Resource Council and GAA, 2009

Conversion Technology Processes and Products





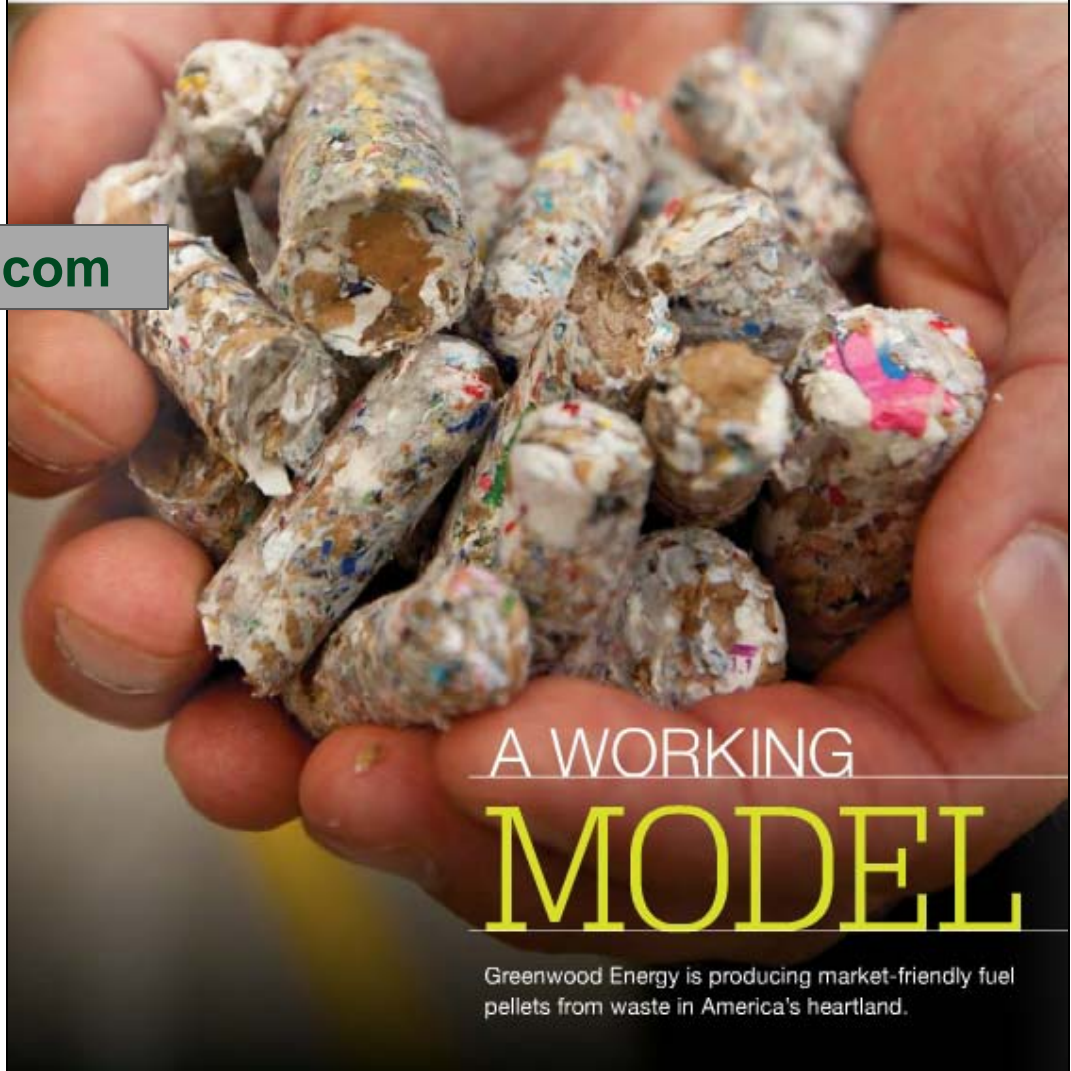
RENEWABLE Energy FROM WASTE

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A WORKING MODEL

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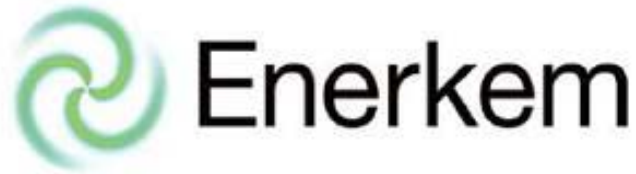
591 (and counting) Companies Offering Technology and/or Development Services Worldwide

- 34 Aerobic Composting
- 109 Anaerobic Digestion
- 37 Ethanol Fermentation
- 169 Gasification
- 45 Plasma Gasification
- 52 Pyrolysis
- 60 WTE: mass burn, modular, dedicated boilers, and RDF
- 81 Others (agglomeration, autoclave, de-polymerization, thermal cracking, steam reforming, hydrolysis)



150 Conversion Companies Operating either Commercial or Demonstration Facilities Worldwide

- 67 Anaerobic Digestion
- 48 Gasification
- 19 Plasma Gasification
- 16 Pyrolysis



- Gasification followed by catalytic conversion to bio-fuels and chemicals
- Feedstock: MSW, wood chips, treated wood, sludge, petcoke, spent plastics and wheat straw
- Preprocessing- drying, sorting and shredding
- Facilities:
 - Commercial scale demonstration facility in Westbury, CA (since 2009, 1.3 million gallons/year)
 - On going projects on full-scale commercial facilities:
 - Edmonton, Alberta- 10 mill gallons per year under construction, start-up 2013
 - Pontotoc, Mississippi & Varennes, Québec, each 10 million gallons per year are under development (about 200,000 TPY of MSW)



Enerkem's Westbury facility



Fulcrum BioEnergy

- Gasification followed by alcohol synthesis; InEnTec technology partner
- Feedstock: MSW
- Product: ethanol
- Preprocessing required



- Sierra BioFuels- First commercial scale plant under construction in City of McCarran, NV
 - 10.5 million gallons ethanol per year
 - Have local and state regulatory permits
 - Have feedstock contracted through Waste Connections and WM
 - Have off take agreement for full output of plant
 - Estimate completion in 2nd half of 2013
 - Received USDA \$105 million loan guarantee in August 2012

INEOS Bio

- Gasification followed by biocatalyst fermentation and distillation
- Feedstock: MSW
- Preprocessing- drying of the feedstock
- Product: Bioethanol

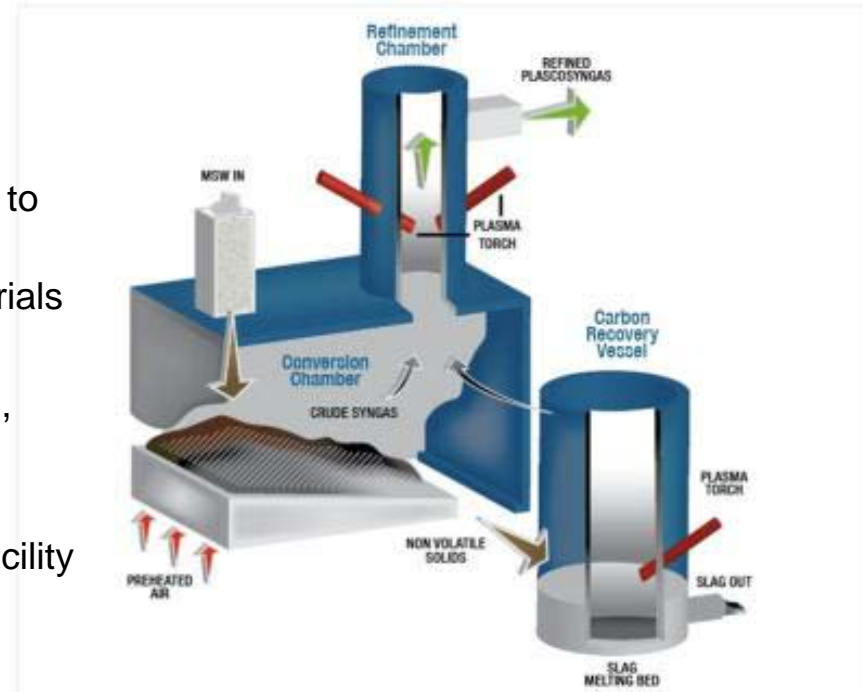


Vero Beach Florida Commercial Facility

Plants:






- Fayetteville, AR- pilot plant
- Vero Beach, Indian River County, FL - under construction
 - process 150,000 TPY MSW
 - produce 8 million gallons of fuel-grade ethanol and 6 MW (gross) of electric power
 - start-up and commissioning began in summer 2012
- Lake County (IN) Solid Waste Management District- under development

- Headquartered in Ottawa, Canada
- Gasification followed by plasma torches to refine the syngas product
- Preprocessing- separation of inert materials
- Plants:
 - Commercial-scale demonstrational, 94 TPD- Train Road, Ottawa, CA
 - R&D, 5TPD, Castellgali, Spain
- Recently contracted to build 375 TPD facility in Ottawa Canada












Additional Technologies Processing MSW

<u>Company</u>	<u>Technology</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Featured plants in N. America</u>	<u>No of commercial plants</u>
 coskata	Gasification & Fermentation	Ethanol	demo	Under development: Flagship in Boligee, Alabama (55 mill gallons per year)	1 under construction
 Chinook Energy THE END-STAGE RECYCLING COMPANY®	Gasification & metal recovery	SYNGAS and metals	commercial	N/A	>16
 ENTECH RENEWABLE ENERGY SOLUTIONS	Gasification	SYNGAS	commercial	Under development: Costa Rica & Huntington Beach, CA	145 >20 on MSW
 InEnTec	Plasma gasification	SYNGAS	commercial	Commercial: Columbia Ridge, Arlington, OR, Dow Corning, Midland, MI,	9
 TAYLOR BIOMASS ENERGY	gasification	Electricity	Mock-up	Under construction: Town of Montgomery, NY	
THERMOSELECT	Gasification	SYNGAS	commercial	N/A	9









Technologies Processing Mixed Non-recyclable Plastics

<u>Company</u>	<u>Technology</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Featured plants in N. America</u>	<u>No . of commercial plants</u>
	Pyrolysis	Crude oil & combustible gas	demo	Demo: Tigard, OR, 10 TPD	none
	Microwave Pyrolysis	Crude wax & combustible gas	demo	Under construction: Blackville, SC 20 TPD	1 under construction
	Catalytic Pyrolysis	Diesel Fuel	commercial	R&D at SEMASS WTE, Rochester, MA	5
	Far Infrared Pyrolysis	Crude oil & combustible gas	commercial	Demo: Montgomery County, MD, closed 2011	N/A
	Catalytic Pyrolysis	Crude oil & combustible gas	Pilot	Pilot: Niagara Falls, NY (45TPD)	none
	Pyrolysis	Synthetic crude	N/A	Under development: Hennepin County, MN Manatee County, FL	none
	Pyrolysis	Crude oil & combustible gas	Pilot	Pilot: Akron, Ohio	none



Additional Technologies Processing Organic Waste

<u>Company</u>	<u>Technology</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Featured plants in N. America</u>	<u>No. of commercial plants</u>
	Dry anaerobic digestion	Biogas and compost	commercial	Commercial- Sidney , AU Pilot- Hidera, Israel	1
	Dry anaerobic digestion	Biogas and compost	commercial	N/A	14
	BTA , wet anaerobic digestion	Biogas and compost	commercial	Toronto, CA Demo: Dufferin Commercial: Newmarket	17
	Anaerobic digestion	Biogas and compost	commercial	Under development: El Paso, TX	120
	Anaerobic digestion Aerobic composting	Biogas and compost	commercial	Under Construction: London, Ontario 65,000 TPA	6 aerobic composting
	Bio-refining	acetic acid, ketones, and alcohols	demo	Demo: Bryan, TX	1 under development



Alternative Energy Subsidies (Fed'l Grants, Tax Credits & Loan Guarantees)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Value Amount by Fed's</u>
2009	\$ 44.3 Billion
2011	\$ 30.7 Billion
2012	\$ 16.1 Billion
2014	\$ 11.0 Billion

Source: Brookings Institute, et.al. Washington DC



Some U.S. Locations Currently Investigating/Advancing Waste Conversion Technologies

- Ada County, ID
- Baton Rouge, LA
- City of Allentown, PA
- City of Cleveland, OH
- City of Dallas, TX
- City of Glendale, CA
- City of Green Bay, WI
- City of Plano, TX
- City of San Antonio, TX
- City of Taunton, MA
- Columbia, SC
- County of Maui, HI
- Fulton, MS
- Gallatin County, KY
- Hennepin County, MN
- Lake County, IN
- Los Angeles County, CA
- New York City, NY
- Prince William County, VA
- Salinas Valley, CA
- San Bernardino County, CA
- Santa Barbara County, CA



Summary of Technologies and Risks/Liabilities

Source: Gershman, Brickner & Bratton, Inc. August 2012

Alternative	Risks/Liability	Risk Summary
Mass Burn/WaterWall	Proven commercial technology	Very Low
Mass Burn/Modular	Proven commercial technology	Low
RDF/ Dedicated Boiler	Proven commercial technology	Low
RDF/Fluid Bed	Proven technology; limited U.S. commercial experience	Moderate to Low
Anaerobic Digestion	Proven technology; limited U.S. commercial experience	Moderate to Low
Mixed-Waste Composting	Previous large failures; No large-scale commercially viable plants in operation; subject to scale-up issues	Moderate to high
Pyrolysis	Previous failures at scale, uncertain commercial potential; no operating experience with large - scale operations	High
Gasification	Limited operating experience at only small scale; subject to scale-up issues	High
Chemical Decomposition/ Depolymerization	Technology under development; not a commercial option at this time	High



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WM's Organic Growth Group (Investments in Alternative Conversion Technologies)

- Terrabon
- Renmatix
- Genomatica
- Fulcrum Bioenergy (1)
- Enerkem (1)
- Agilyx
- Agnion
- InEntec

(1) Nearest to Fuels Commercialization



Big News This Week!!

- Terrabon filed Chapter 7 Bankruptcy
- Was to have 2012 financing round – WM expected lead...but backed out!
- Founded in 1995 - but no engineering package yet for commercial scale
 - Goal – 70 gallons “green gasoline” / ton MSW
 - In 2009, Terrabon believed its 200+ tpd plant could produce 5.5 million GPY of renewable gasoline for approx. \$1.75 to \$2.00 per gallon.
 - Now -1000 tpd(dry) [e.g.1400 tpd @30% H₂O]
Projected: \$4.00 - \$5.33 / Gallon as Capital Cost & \$0.67 / Gallon Operating Cost



Opinion of Trends for the Future...

- New technologies will need 3-5 years to learn if they work and their economics (time for permitting, financing, construction and initial operating)
- Potential for added economic benefits: placing value on carbon credits and power from waste as 'renewable energy'
- 'Environmentalists' and 'Zero Waste' proponents will continue to fight WTE and Waste Conversion Technologies calling them all "incineration"
- Continuation of public sector taking "Low Risk" attitude until conversion technologies and companies more proven



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Project Building Blocks

- Limited and High Alternative Disposal Costs
- Waste Supply
- Energy and Materials Market(s)
- Site for Facility
 - Good logistics for waste receipt, energy market(s), and residue disposal
 - Can be permitted
 - Accepted by neighbors
- Landfill for ash and by-pass
- Contractor with resources and proven technology or willingness to take technology risk
- Capital
- Financeability
- Compatibility with High Level of Recycling
- Political Will





A Realistic & Ultimate Goal:

Fully Integrated and Efficient Waste Management System with Significant Diversion (Recycling) and WTE-WCT

...in a 50-50 partnership!

*...for more jobs, better environment,
and energy independence!*



Thank you!!

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