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Commissioner and Chair

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

Date and time: March 24, 2016 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

Daniel Brownell, Commissioner and Chair
Noah Genel, General Counsel
John Curry, Assistant Commissioner of Legal Affairs
David Mandell, Deputy General Counsel for Regulatory Enforcement
Sal Arrona, Director of Policy
Santiago Mueckay, Policy Analyst (notes)

Industry

Ron Bergamini, CEO, Action Carting Environmental Services, Inc.
Jessica Mayorga, Senior Director, NWRA
Kendall Christiansen, NWRA
Adam Pasquale, Recycle Track Systems
John DiNardi, Secretary and Treasurer, D&D Carting Co. Inc.
Thomas Toscano, CFO/CLO, Mr. T Carting Corp.
Nino Tristani, Vice President, Five Star Carting, Inc.
Michele Van Orden, General Counsel, Cardella Trucking Co. Inc.

BIC agenda items:

- 1) Preliminary Budget Hearing in Front of City Council
 - a. BIC presented its preliminary budget in front of the City Council on March 16, 2016.
 - b. Commissioner Brownell and other Commission staff testified before the Committee on Sanitation and Solid Waste Management which was led by the Chair of the Committee, Council Member Antonio Reynoso.
 - c. A copy of the Commission's written testimony can be found on the BIC website.

- 2) CAPA Hearing Regarding the Rate Cap
 - a. As part of the CAPA (City Administrative Procedure Act) process, a public hearing was held on March 21, 2016.
- 3) Pedestrian Fatality
 - a. On March 15, 2016, a pedestrian was struck and killed by a trade waste vehicle on the Upper West Side.
- 4) DSNY Event Regarding New Recycling and Organics Rules
 - a. The Department of Sanitation has reached out to BIC in order to put together a seminar for the trade waste industry regarding the new recycling and organics laws.
 - b. The event would most likely take place in May although a date has not been decided yet. *(As will be discussed at the next Trade Waste Advisory Board meeting, this date has since been revised to Summer 2016.)*
- 5) Sale Applications
 - a. David Mandell gave a short presentation on the process of filing sale applications with BIC as well as some background information and possible penalties for not filing sale applications in a timely manner.
- 6) Side Guard Rebate Program Update
 - a. So far, only three companies have submitted applications for the side guard rebate program.
 - b. The program's funding will end in June and BIC encouraged everyone to take advantage of this program.
- 7) Community Composting Agreement Update
 - a. Sal Arrona reviewed the Community Composting Pilot Program again to answer any additional questions.
 - b. Community composters will be able to enter into an agreement with BIC in order to collect organic waste from commercial establishments without a BIC license.
 - c. The purpose of this agreement is to allow not-for-profit groups and groups that have written agreements with City agencies to collect organic waste without having to obtain a license from BIC.
 - d. To be eligible to enter into the pilot program, a community composter must agree to limit the amount of composting material it collects and must only use specific sites for their operations.
 - e. More information on the program can be found under the "Current Programs" page on the BIC website.

Presentation by non-BIC TW Advisory Board members:

- 8) Ron Bergamini Presentation on Safety in the Industry
 - a. Ron Bergamini gave a presentation titled "Actions for Safety Excellence" in which he discussed some of the technology upgrades that Action Carting uses to improve safety in its day-to-day operations.
 - b. This led to an extensive discussion on the state of safety in the industry as well as the many ways in which new technologies can save lives.
- 9) Tom Toscano will present at the next TWAB meeting.