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OCC Demand Sizzles In South, Report Sources

Domestic demand for Old Corrugated Containers (OCC) is sizzling in the South, report RM sources. "OCC and DLK demand both seem pretty stable with prices for both grades rising by \$20 per ton. With the July 4th holiday, there seemed to be a little more interest in getting tons to the mills before the weekend which drove that price up," said one scrap recycler based in the Southeast.

Ground Breaking For Plastic Recycling Plant In Oregon

ORPET began construction on its site in Oregon for a plastic bottle recycling plant, a year behind schedule, reported The St. Helens Chronicle.

"Many, many legal things — there are a number of partners and a number of attorneys; it has taken some time to get everyone on the same page. Also there were issues with sending letters of credit overseas that were finally resolved," ORPET Project Manager Bruce Sone told the newspaper.

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In New Jersey:

ACF, Zozzaro Bros. Form New Joint Venture

by Anna Dutko Rowley

The old saying of "knowledge is power" certainly applies in the case of two established multi-material recycling companies in New Jersey Atlantic Coast Fibers, LLC (in Passaic) and Zozzaro Bros.



Recycling, LLC (in Clifton) are joining forces and years of experience in the recycling industry to form a joint venture called Zozzaro Atlantic Coast Fibers Processing, LLC. "The tremendous success of Atlantic Coast Fibers in paper recycling dating back to the 1930s, combined with Zozzaro Bros.' more than 70 years of experience in all phases of municipal recycling, brings together experience in what is already proving to be a successful venture," said Allan Zozzaro, partner.

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The new company has a total of five partners, including Allan and Larry Zozzaro, Chris Riviello, Jamee Gaccione and Rick Ramsay. Zozzaro Atlantic Coast Fibers Processing has invested in the latest technology available to sort both dual stream and soon to be single-stream recyclables at Atlantic Coast Fibers' recently renovated and expanded facility, which now totals 100,000 square-feet. The commingled processing system was designed by Karl W. Schmidt in Commerce City, Colorado and Recycling Systems Corp., based in New York.

"We were impressed with the design and technology that Karl W. Schmidt and Recycling Equipment Systems offered, and our partners, (The Zozzaro's) have had a very long relationship with Recycling Equipment Systems and Jim Orioli. This is the 11th major baling system the Zozzaro's have purchased from RES," said Zozzaro. Other equipment in the plant includes a Bollegraaf baler and paper sorting line and the new Harris Centurion EHD baler.



The company's new Harris Centurion baler.

Processing Of Scrap Materials

The processing building is split into three divisions: fiber sorting and baling; commingled recyclables processing; and shipping, receiving and warehousing. The facility processes every grade of fiber such as OCC, ONP, office and printers waste, roll stock, plastics including PET, HDPE, shrink wrap, aluminum cans, bi-metal cans and foil. *ZACFP will soon have a station for processing Tetra-Pak containers," said Chris Riviello. The facility will process about 300,000 tons of recyclables per year.

Commingled materials are delivered in from contracted and non-contracted communities, countywide programs and haulers throughout the tri-state area. The material enters a pre-sort area where ridged plastics and outthrows are removed manually. From there, the balance enters into an Andela glass breaker and trommel where all glass is removed. Next, the bi-metal cans are pulled out via an electro-magnet system. The aluminum cans are then extracted via the use of an eddy current separator. After that, the plastics go through two Redwave optical sorters where PET and HDPE plastics are removed. The materials left behind are plastics #3 thru #7.

Once the various commodities have accumulated enough material, they are loaded onto the feed conveyor

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of the Harris baler to be baled, and are then loaded onto trailers or export containers to be shipped to various consuming mills, explained Riviello.

Good Demand For Recyclables

Current markets for all recyclable commodities have fortunately been very favorable for the recycling industry, noted Zozzaro. "Demand for good quality materials is very steady and prices have been in line with this rather healthy market condition," said Riviello.

Future plans for Zozzaro Atlantic Coast are to continue to expand in order to meet the needs of its customers and to provide a very high quality product to its consuming mills. "Our current plans include the expansion into several locations in key areas of New Jersey and other states where we can effectively and efficiently source recyclable commodities and process them through our facilities," said Riviello.

94 Percent Of Americans Have Access To Plastics Recycling

While celebrating our nation's birthday this summer, Plastics Make it Possible encourages Americans to take advantage of newly expanded opportunities to recycle plastics. According to a recent study, 94 percent of the American population now has access to plastic bottle recycling, and 40 percent can recycle other types of plastic containers such as yogurt cups, dairy containers and lids.

"Recycling plastics is an important way to protect our environment and help bottles, bags and containers from our summer celebrations live a second life as carpeting, decking, T-shirts, packaging and other products," said Steve Russell, Vice President of Plastics for the American Chemistry Council, which funded the study. The recycling study was conducted by Moore Recycling Associates Inc. for the Sustainable Packaging Coalition, a nonprofit group that works to increase recycling.

To celebrate wider access to plastics recycling - and to encourage consumers to go red, white, blue and green -Plastics Make it Possible offers the following reuse and recycling tips for Independence Day and other celebrations:

- · Make a Place for Plastics Be sure to set out a clearly marked recycling bin during your festivities. Check out Earth911 if you're unsure which plastic products can be recycled in your community.
- Take Recycling Outdoors Plastic bottles and containers are handy for outdoor gatherings since they're lightweight and shatter-resistant - make sure you bring a bag or bin for recycling them. Remember, caps can be recycled, too. The Association of Postconsumer Plastics Recyclers recommends putting the cap back on the bottle and tossing the whole thing in the bin.
- Protect and Preserve Insulated plastic foam coolers, re-freezable ice packs and reusable plastic containers can help you transport and preserve your party food and drinks.
- · Wave a Recycled Banner Some flag makers are using yarn made from recycled plastic beverage bottles.
- · Save and Reuse After the party's over, protect your decorations and other provisions from the elements in