

MRF STAKEHOLDER MEETING-MAY 30, 2012

AGENDA

Material Recovery Facilities (MRFs)

GOAL--The current regulatory model in NJ is solid waste management; however, the industry is transitioning to a materials management model. What can NJDEP do to help the transition to a new, sustainable model while recognizing the need for comprehensive county solid waste management systems and ensuring that county solid waste debt continues to decrease.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS-increases recycling rates, creates jobs, conserves valuable landfill space....

WHAT ARE THE CONCERNS-provides an opportunity for collectors to bypass waste flow frustrating county solid waste debt payments and competition, increases transportation of waste due to more miles traveled to deliver waste and residues, increases compliance monitoring activities by counties and DEP....

How should we address MRFs?

- **Regulations, guidelines**
- **Municipal exemptions**
- **Transportation-why must residues be returned to the county of origin? Can't a check reimbursing the county for debt payments and/or administrative costs be sent instead?**
- **Should a MRF be required to pull all recyclables identified in the county of origin's Solid Waste Management Plan?**
- **Would RFID technology "cure" the trust issue with MRFs and collectors? (RFID=Radio Frequency Identification)**