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EPA Seeks Public Input on Boiler, Incinerator Rules

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is seeking additional public comment and more information on the final standards for industrial boilers and solid waste incinerators it issued in February 2011. As part of the reconsideration process, EPA also said it will issue a stay postponing the effective date of the standards.

This process of careful consideration of public comments, and close attention to both costs and benefits, is consistent with President Obama's directives with respect to regulation, in executive order 13563, issued on January 18, the agency said.

Following its April 2010 proposals, the agency received more than 4,800 comments from

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Recycle Atlanta Puts Focus on Rubberized Asphalt ———

Several top decision makers from a various entities who oversee tire recycling and road construction gathered in Georgia for Recycle Atlanta, May 24 at the invitation of Liberty Tire Recycling.

The one-day educational event featured a technical seminar focused on rubber modified asphalt and Green Space: Atlanta a networking forum showcasing tire recycling products, manufacturing and applications.



Recycle Atlanta attendees learn about the advantage of rubber modified asphalt (L-R): David Painter, State Representative Randy Nix, Tom Rosenmayer, Wayne Marshall, Steve Smith, Doug Miller, Shaista Begum, Ryan Alleman, Kendra Davis, Doug Carlson, Dick Gust, Peter Wu

Among those attending, Georgia state representative Randy Nix (District 69) commented that he came to learn more about scrap tires since he sponsored legislation earlier this year that addressed the state's tire fee.

"One of the things I came away with today is a true understanding of the value and benefits of tire recycling and rubberized asphalt to communities throughout Georgia, "Representative Nix told Dick Gust, Vice President, National Collections for Liberty Tire Recycling and coordinator of the Recycle Atlanta program.

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California Funds Projects To Help Expand RAC and TDA Markets

CalRecycle considers funding For recycled rubber projects

The California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) is reviewing several projects on its Waste Tire Program funding docket that could provide the pathway to expanding the use of recycled rubber in the state. The contracts under consideration propose applications in the civil engineering arena for tire-derived-aggregate (TDA) and rubberized asphalt concrete (RAC).

A \$230,000 proposed contract award would require CSU Humboldt - the proposed contractor - to delve into an evaluation of engineering properties for TDA in septic system construction. The proposed scope-of-work includes building a septic system leachfield using TDA as the drainage media and gathering data on the TDA performance. The goal is to gather "California-specific" data, according to CalRecycle officials. If the data supports TDA in leachfields, CalRecycle will request the State Water Resources Control Board to consider using TDA in its septic system regulation.

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