

19th Annual Conference and Tradeshow Hyatt Regency, Santa Clara/San Jose, CA January 24- 27, 2011

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The Largest Conference and Exhibition in the World for the Composting, Wood Waste, & Organics Recycling Industry

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Monday, Jan 24, 2011

PRE-CONFERENCE TRAINING COURSES & WORKSHOPS (FOR DETAILS CLICK HERE)

FRE-CONFERENCE	E TRAINING COURSES & WORKSHOPS (FOR DETAILS CLICK HERE)	
Time	Course	Location
9:00am-3:00 pm	Aerated Static Pile Composting - Applications and Advancements. Instructor: Peter Moon, PE	Stevens Creek
8:30 am -noon	Aspects of Facility Design: Planning, System Selection and Environmental Management <i>Instructor:</i> Eliot Epstein	San Tomas
8:00 am-noon	Challenges and Solutions for a Successful Food Waste Recycling Program. <i>Instructors: Mike Manna and Peter Klaich</i> ,	Lafayette
8:30 am-4:30 pm	Compost Benefits and Usage in Vineyards: Growing Better Grapes, Recipes, Compost Applications and Compost Production. <i>Instructor: Bob Shaffer</i>	Bayshore East
8:30 am-4:30 pm	Compost Business Management. Instructors: Craig Coker, Tom Spiggle, & Andrew Kessler	Lawrence
8:30 am -noon	Compost Outreach: Best Practices in Compost Education. Programs, Instructor: Stan Slaughter	Napa
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Compost Production for Food Safety. Instructors: Johnny Massa, Pat Millner, Carrie Gregory, Mike Villaneva	Lafayette
9:00 am-3:00 pm	Compost Sales and Marketing Workshop. Instructor: Ron Alexander	Alameda
9:00 am-4:00 pm	Compost Use in Agriculture, Horticulture and Landscaping. <i>Instructors: Dr. Monica Ozores-Hampton, Dr. Donald Rockwood, Dr. Ronald French-Monar</i>	Camino Real
1:00 pm -5:00 pm	Management of Odor Issues at Compost Facilities. Instructor: Jeff Gage	San Tomas
8:00 am-noon	Protecting Workers: Conducting Job Hazard Analysis For Composting Facilities. <i>Instructor: Nellie Brown, CIH</i>	Bayshore West
8:30 am-4:30 pm	USCC Foundations of Composting. Instructors: Dr. Robert Rynk & Matt Cotton	Winchester
1:00 pm – 5:00	When Bad Things Happen at Your Composting Facility – Imagining What Can Go Wrong and How You Can Recover. <i>Instructor: Nellie Brown, CIH</i>	Bayshore West

11:00 am – 6:00 pm Exhibitor Registration & set up Convention Center Ballroom

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm Lunch for those taking a full day of workshops Magnolia 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm POWER Meeting Napa

POWER – Perishable Organics Waste to Energy Recycling – is an industry working group dedicated to exploring the highest good use of perishable organics. Chris Moyer with the National Restaurant Association's Conserve Program will co-present on Mobilizing the Foodservice Industry to Embrace Organics Collection. *Meeting Fee: \$25 for Ei members and Government/Non-Profits, \$75.00 for others, collected at the door.*

5:15 pm – 6:30 pm Annual Membership Meeting Stevens Creek

Tuesday, Jan 25

7:00 AM EXHIBITS OPEN. BREAKFAST AVAILABLE

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SANTA CLARA BALLROOM

8:30 AM PLENARY SESSION

WELCOME DR. STUART BUCKNER, USCC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

ENVISIONING THE ORGANICS MANAGEMENT FACILITY OF THE FUTURE

Panel of leading composting and anaerobic digestion facility "developers" present their visions on what organics management facilities will look like 5 to 10 years from now.

Moderator: Matt Cotton, IWM Consulting

- Mike Sangiacomo, CEO, Recology
- Paul Sellew, CEO, Harvest Power
- Jerry Bartlett, Vice President, Cedar Grove
- Michele Young, Director of Organics Management, San Jose

10:00 AM BREAK IN EXHIBIT HALL

CONVENTION CENTER BALLROOM

TRACK 1. INDUSTRY GROWTH, REGULATIONS, ORGANIC AGRICULTURE MARKET IN CA

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10:45 AM COMPOSTING INDUSTRY GROWTH

Moderator: Chuck Wilson, A-1 Organics

- How to Grow the U.S. Composting Industry. Nora Goldstein, BioCycle, Emmaus. PA
- Meeting the Challenges of a New Decade--An Update on the CA Composting Industry. Matt Cotton, IWM Consulting, Nevada City. CA
- Waste Management Grows It's Organics Portfolio. Eric Myers, Waste Management, Houston TX

12:30 PM LUNCH AVAILABLE IN EXHIBIT HALL

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1:45 PM REGULATIONS AND CARBON CREDITS

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Moderator: Scott Subler, Environmental Credit Corp.

- · New USDA and FDA Rules May Affect Composters. Pat Millner, USDA, Beltsville, MD
- · How Can Permitting Encourage More Organics Diversion and Composting? Terry Keene, Barton & Loguidice Camp Hill, PA
- · Model State Composting Regulations. Brenda Platt, Institute for Local Self-Reliance, Washington, DC
- · Climate Action Reserve Protocol for Organic Waste Composting. Max DuBuisson, Climate Action Reserve, Los Angeles, CA

3:30 PM Break IN EXHIBIT HALL

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4:15 PM SELLING COMPOST TO CERTIFIED ORGANIC FARMS: THE IMPACT OF CA AB 856

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Do you sell compost into certified organic agriculture? Do you want to? AB 856 created a number of sweeping changes in how compost can be sold into organic agriculture. This session will provide a background on AB 856, describe the changes to CA law and describe what composters have to do if they want to sell compost into certified organic agriculture.

- Moderator: Matt Cotton, IWM Consulting
- Implementing AB 856. Amadou Ba, California Department of Food & Agriculture
- OMRI's Perspective on AB 856. Organic Materials Review Institute representative
- · How and Why Organic Growers Use Compost. Michael Brautovich, Earthbound Farms.

6:15 PM EXHIBITOR'S RECEPTION

CONVENTION CENTER BALLROOM

TRACK 2. FOOD RESIDUALS AND INCREASED DIVERSION

LAFAYETTE

10:45 AM FOOD RESIDUALS 1

LAFAYETTE

Moderator: Rhonda Sherman, NCSU

- San Francisco's Mandatory Food Composting Collection Experience. Jack Macy, City & County of San Francisco Department of the Environment, San Francisco, CA
- Overcoming Barriers to Increased Commercial, Residential, and Institutional Recycling and Composting of Food Residuals. Mike Manna, Organic Recycling Solutions, Manchester, NJ
- Parallel Universe: Emerging Interest in Food Scraps from Wastewater Utilities Updates and Perspectives. Kendall Christiansen and Michael Keleman, Gaia Strategies, Brooklyn, NY
- Enabling Community Stewards to Step Forward. Rod Muir, Sierra Club Canada, Toronto, CAN

12:30 PM LUNCH AVAILABLE IN EXHIBIT HALL

CONVENTION CENTER BALLROOM

1:45 PM FOOD RESIDUALS 2 - COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY, SPECIAL EVENTS

LAFAYETTE

Moderator: Nick Lapis, Californians Against Waste

- Food Waste Composting at Goshen College. Lewis Naylor, David Zwier, Hannah Eberly and Glenn Gilbert, Goshen College, Goshen. IN
- University of Michigan Campus-Wide Food Waste Composting Options Feasibility Study. Nicole Chardoul, Resource Recycling Systems, Inc., Ann Arbor, MI, and Tracy Artley, U of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- Capturing Organics Key to San Jose's Best in Class Approach to Greening Special Events. *Donna Thurmon, City of San Jose, San Jose, CA*

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4:15 PM ACHIEVING INCREASED DIVERSION 1

LAFAYETTE

Moderator: Carrie Gregory, LRI

- Seattle Mariners and Strategic Partnerships: A Success Story in Waste Diversion and Conservation. Scott Jenkins, Seattle Mariners, Seattle, WA, and Michele Talucci, Pak-Sher, Kilgore, TX
- Diversion and Conversion Innovative Solutions for Commercial Organics. Jeff Anderson, City of San Jose, San Jose, CA
- Processing Innovations In San Jose. Emily Hanson, GreenWaste Recovery, San Jose, CA
- Auditing Route Participation: a Case Study. Brian Matthews, Alameda County, CA

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TRACK 3: ANAEROBIC DIGESTION, RENEWABLE ENERGY, COMPOSTABILITY TESTING

STEVEN'S CREEK

10:45 AM ANAEROBIC DIGESTION

STEVEN'S CREEK

Moderator: Craig Coker, Coker Composting and Consulting

- Challenges and Opportunities in Developing an Anaerobic Digestion Project. Nadeem Afghan, BIOFerm Energy Systems, Madison. WI
- State of the Art of Anaerobic Digestion of Municipal Solid Waste in Europe in 2010. Luc DeBaere, Bruno Mattheeuws, and Norma Mc Donald, Organic Waste Systems, Dok Noord 4, BE

- Anaerobic Digestion and/or Composting of Source Separated Organics; an Analysis of the Opportunities and Challenges of Combining These Technologies. Tim O'Neill, Engineered Compost Systems, Seattle, WA, and Mark Gould, CDM, Cambridge, MA
- Incorporating High Solids Anaerobic Digestion into an Existing, Successful Composting Facility. *Alexander MacFarlane and Jan Allen, Harvest Power, Waltham, MA*

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1:45 PM ANAEROBIC DIGESTION AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

STEVEN'S CREEK

Moderator: Scott Smithline, Californians Against Waste

- Developing an Organics to Energy Program: Parallel Track Approach to Maximize Benefits. Zeynep Erdal, CH2M HILL, Santa Ana, CA, Peter Klein, St. Paul Port Authority, St. Paul, MN; Doug Lubben, John Borghesi, CH2M HILL, Mendota Heights, MN, and Marty Reif, CH2M HILL. Chantilly, VA
- Renewable Energy from Organics: Thermal Energy Recovery from In-Vessel Aerobic Composting. Joshua Nelson and Brian Jerose, Agrilab Technologies, LLP, Pawlet, VT
- Methods of Recovering and Utilizing Renewable Energy and Compost from Post-Consumer Organic Materials. George M. Savage and Luis F. Diaz CalRecovery, Inc., Concord, CA
- Leveraging Regional Assets for Energy Conversion Initiatives. Jo Zientek, City of San Jose, San Jose, CA

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4:15 PM COMPOSTABILITY TESTING, CODIGESTION ECONOMIC ANALYSIS, INTEGRATED SYSTEMS STEVEN'S CREEK Moderator: Ginny Black, MN Pollution Control Agency

- Compostable Products: The Past, Present, and Future, What Every Composter Needs to Know. Michele Riggs, Cedar Grove Composting, Seattle, WA
- The Co-Digestion Economic Analysis Tool (CoEAT) ... Because You Have to CoEAT Before You Co-Digest. *Laura Moreno, USEPA, Region 9, San Francisco, CA*
- Improved profitability by combining Wet Anaerobic Digestion with Composting. Dr. Stefan Kromus, Enbasys Gmbh, Austria
- Case Study-Santa Barbara County: Dry Fermentation Anaerobic Digestion of Mixed MSW Organics. John Dewey, Mustang Renewable Power Ventures, Newport Beach, CA

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TRACK 4 EMISSIONS, BIOPLASTICS, EDUCATION

WINCHESTER

10:45 AM AIR EMISSIONS AND ODOR CONTROL

WINCHESTER

Moderator: Jeff Gage, Compost Design Services

- Speciation, Ozone Formation Potential and Mitigation of VOCs from Compost. Peter G. Green, Anuj Kumar, Isabel Faria, Univ. Calif. at Davis, Davis, CA, Robert Horowitz, CA Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, Sacramento, CA
- Compost Emissions: Research and Regulatory Progress. Robert Horowitz, CA Department of Resources, Recycling and Recovery, Sacramento, CA
- Getting Odors Under Control at an Expanding Large Scale Aerated Static Pile Biosolids Composting Facility. *Tim O'Neill, Engineered Compost Systems, Seattle, WA*
- Benefits Resulting from the Implementation of a Real Time Odor Impact Management System. Thierry Pagé, Odotech Inc., Montreal, CAN

12:30 PM LUNCH AVAILABLE IN EXHIBIT HALL

CONVENTION CENTER BALLROOM

1:45 PM BIOPLASTIC INNOVATIONS AND CASE STUDIES IN EXPANDED USES

WINCHESTER

Moderator: Steve Mojo, BPI

- Bioplastics and Managing Post Consumer Feedstock Streams. Debra Darby and Robert Whitehouse, Mirel Bioplastics by Telles, Lowell, MA
- Compostable Thermoplastic Starch/Biodegradable Polyester Polymer Blends. Edwin Tam, Greg Anderson Teknor Apex Company, Pawtucket, RI, Dr. Basil Favis, McGill University, Montreal, CAN, Pierre Sarazin, Cerestech, Montreal, CA
- Biodegradation of Compostable Plastic Snack Bags With Metallized Coating in Green-Yard Waste and Food Waste Compost. Joseph Greene, California State University, Chico, CA
- Extensive Use of Compostable Shopping Bags in Italy: Synergy and Integration Between Retail Sector and Residential Organics Collection Programs. *Christian Garaffa, Novamont SpA, Novaro, Italy*

3:30 PM BREAK IN EXHIBIT HALL

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4:15 PM EDUCATION

WINCHESTER

Moderator: Bob Rynk, SUNY Cobleskill

- Education As the Key to Social Change: Compost Systems at Schools, Retreat Centers and Jails. *Rick Kaye, The Compost Club, Healdsburg, CA*
- Terra Loam, the Living Soil: Compost Education for Primary & Secondary Grades. *Meribeth Sullivan, Waukesha County Recycling Specialist, Waukesha, WI*
- Applying Vulnerability Analysis to Composting Facilities: Assessing Vulnerability and Planning for Recovery. *Nellie J. Brown, CIH, Cornell University ILR, Buffalo, NY*
- An Analysis of Nigerian High School Students Understanding of the Concepts Composting and Their Attitude Towards
 Conservation of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection. Oladele George and Abdulah Ismaila, Osun State College
 of Technology, Esa Oke, Osun, Nigeria

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Conference Program | Wednesday, Jan 26

7:00 AM EXHIBITS OPEN. BREAKFAST AVAILABLE

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2:30 PM USCC/SWANA CERTIFICATION EXAM FOR MANAGER OF COMPOST PROGRAMS

BAYSHORE

TRACK 1. COMPOST QUALITY, MARKETING AND USE

WINCHESTER

8:30 AM COMPOST QUALITY, URBAN MARKET DEVELOPMENT

WINCHESTER

Moderator: Tom Kelley, Harvest Power

- Characterizing Compost and Anaerobic Digester Products. Ron Alexander, R. Alexander Associates, Inc., Apex, NC
- CO2 Respiration of Composts: Volumetric vs Gravimetric Methods and Relevancy to Intended Use. William Brinton, Woods End Laboratories, Mt Vernon, ME
- Compost Market Development in Urban Areas. Sally Brown, College of Forest Resources, University of Washington, Seattle, WA

10:00 AM BREAK IN EXHIBIT HALL

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10:45 AM COMPOST BENEFITS

WINCHESTER

Moderator: Lorrie Loder, Synagro

- · Using Compost to Improve Water Quality. David Crohn, University of California, Riverside, Riverside, CA
- · Compost Effect on Wood Quality of Eucalyptus SRWCS. Donald Rockwood, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL
- Potential of Compost in Improvement of Agroforestry in Nigeria. Badejo Yetunde, Onawumi O.A, Adeoluwa O.O, Forestry Research Institute of Nigeria, Ibadan, Nigeria

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WASTE - UNTIL IT'S WASTED: COMPOST THE KEY TO A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE. GENE ROSOW,
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MAGNOLIA

12:15 PM LUNCH ALSO AVAILABLE IN EXHIBIT HALL

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2:00 PM MARKETING

WINCHESTER

Moderator: Sharon Barnes, Barnes Nursery

- Compost Cures the Planet and other well-founded Truths of Marketing Compost. Kathryn Kellogg, Kellogg Garden Products, Carson, CA
- The Ultimate Key to Compost Marketing Success. Tom Kelley, Harvest Power, Inc., Waltham, MA
- Position and Market Your Product(s) to Fully Leverage your Identified Market Segment(s) and Optimize Sales Objectives.
 David Hill, CycleLogic, Bethesda, MD
- The Psychology of Compost Sales. Ron Alexander, R. Alexander Associates, Inc, Apex, NC

3:45 PM BREAK IN EXHIBIT HALL

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4:30 PM COMPOST USE

WINCHESTER

Moderator: Bob Engel, Engel and Grey

- · New Compost BMP Design Manual for Sustainable Storm Water Management. Britt Faucette, Filtrexx International, Decatur, GA
- Impact of Compost on Biological Control of Plant Diseases. Onawumi Olufisayo, Federal College Of Forestry Ibadan Nigeria, Ibadan, Nigeria
- Expanding the Compost Producer's Residential Lawn Market. Daniel Cote, Ecolawn, Norton, VT
- Effect of Gliricidia sepium Leaf Litter and Poultry Manure Compost on the Growth of Jatropha curcas. O.P. Duyilemi and D.K.A. Shodeke, Federal College of Forestry, Ibadan, Nigeria

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TRACK 2. TOOLS OF THE TRADE, COMPOST SYSTEM DEVELOPMENTS, BIOSOLIDS TREATMENT AND USE

LAFAYETTE

8:30 AM TOOLS OF THE TRADE

LAFAYETTE

Moderator: Jeff Gage, Compost Design Services

• A look at a wide range of field tools and facility procedures you can use for monitoring moisture, temperature, gases, odors, pH, blower performance and compost quality.

10:00 AM BREAK IN EXHIBIT HALL

CONVENTION CENTER BALLROOM

10:45 AM COMPOST SYSTEMS 1: AERATED STATIC PILES

LAFAYETTE

Moderator: Jeff Ziegenbein, IEUA

- Spotsylvania County's Expanded Composting Facility Applies Aerated Static Pile Technology Advances. Todd Williams, CH2M HILL, Mechanicsville, VA
- Living and Learning With ASP Systems. Michael Bryan-Brown, Green Mountain Technologies, Bainbridge Island, WA, and Jeff Gage, Compost Design Services, Olympia, WA
- Benefits of Positive Forced Aerated Static Pile Composting. John T. Bouey, Managed Organic Recycling, Oakland, CA, and Dr. Eliot Epstein, Epstein Environmental Consultants, Stoughton, MA

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Moderator: Todd Williams, CH2M Hill

- Potty Talk: Applying Public & Stakeholder Engagement Lessons from Wastewater to Your Technical and Land Use Projects. Jennifer Garnett, City of San Jose, Environmental Services Dept., San Jose, CA
- Composting Systems Technologies Building a Regional, World Class Composting Facility in Response to Increased Urban Challenges. Jeff Ziegenbein, Inland Empire Utilities Agency, Rancho Cucamonga, CA
- Utilizing Aerated Static Pile (Asp) and Biofiltration Composting Technology for Biosolids Composting to Meet Air Quality Regulations in the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District – a Case Study. Lorrie Loder, Synagro Technologies, LLC, Taft, CA
- Development of a Biosolids Composting Facility While Meeting Strict 503 Compliance Standards for PFRP and VAR. *Katja Christof, W.L. Gore & Associates GmbH, Putzbrunn, Germany*

3:45 PM Break IN EXHIBIT HALL

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4:30 PM COMPOST SYSTEMS 2: AERATED WINDROWS, MBT, AGITATED BAYS, COMPARING SYSTEMS LAFAYETTE Moderator: Jo Zientek, City of San Jose

- Continuous Flow Aerated Windrow Composting for Large Waste Volumes. John Paul, Transform Compost Systems Ltd, Abbotsford. CAN
- News from MBT Barcelona, Spain: Commissioning, Testing and Operation. *Michael Herken, Taim Weser Gmbh, Bad Oeynhausen. Germany*
- Mechanically Enhanced Biodrying of Biosolids Using the Agitated Bay Composting System. Richard Nicoletti, Siemens Water Technologies, Inc, Shrewsbury, MA, Lewis Naylor, Apple Environmental Services, James Taylor, Town of Merrimack, NH
- Comparative Evaluation of Different Composting Methods for Municipal Solid Wastes in Istanbul. Osman A. Arikan, Tuba Isik, Deniz I. Çifçi, Mahmut A Itinbaş, Şenol Yıldız, Izzet Öztürk, Istanbul Technical University, Istanbul, Turkey

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TRACK 3. VERMICOMPOSTING, MORTALITY COMPOSTING, INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS, INCREASING DIVERSION, ODOR CONTROL

STEVEN'S CREEK

8:30 AM VERMICOMPOSTING, MORTALITY COMPOSTING

STEVEN'S CREEK

Moderator: Frank Franciosi, Novozymes

- The Status of Vermicomposting in North America. Rhonda L. Sherman, NC State University, Dept. of Biological & Agricultural Engineering, Raleigh, NC
- · Large Scale Vermicomposting of Agricultural By-Products. Thomas Herlihy and Shawn Ferro, Worm Power, Geneseo, NY
- Assessing the Fate of Barbiturates and Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs in Composted Livestock Mortality. Jean Bonhotal and Mary Schwarz, Cornell Waste Management Institute, Ithaca, NY
- Air Emissions from In-Vessel Rotating Drum and Open Static Pile Composting of Swine Carcasses, Whole and Ground. *Dale Rozeboom, C. Fogiel, Z. Liu, and W.J. Powers, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI*

10:00 AM BREAK IN EXHIBIT HALL

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10:45 AM INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS 1

STEVEN'S CREEK

Moderator: Rebecca Geraty, St. Louis Composting

- Compost for Soils: A National Industry and Market Development Program for Australia. *Peter Wadewitz and Angus Johnston, Compost Australia, Wilunga, Australia*
- Environment Impact of Emissions from Compost in Nigeria. A. Adesida, Federal College of Technology, Ibadan, Nigeria
- · Composting as a Sanitation Alternative in Post-Earthquake Haiti. Joseph Jenkins, Joseph Jenkins, Inc., Grove City, PA

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2:00 ACHIEVING INCREASED DIVERSION 2, LIFE CYCLE ANALYSIS

STEVEN'S CREEK

Moderator: Mike Manna, Organic Recycling Solutions

- Development of Environmental Markets for Food Waste Diversion Projects. Scott Subler, Environmental Credit Corp, State College, PA
- MSW Composting Drives San Jose's Apartment Recycling Program to Zero Waste. Laura McEwen, City of San Jose, San Jose, CA
- Public Health Through Urban Farming, and Digestion at Little Earth: a Minneapolis Public Housing Project. John Madole, Madole Associates, Inc., Minneapolis, MN
- Total Economic Value of Compost Results of a Life-Cycle Financial Analysis on Composting and the Use of Compost. Christopher Bradlee, Thomas Laginess, Keith Edwards, BASF Corporation, Ypsilanti, MI

3:45 PM BREAK IN EXHIBIT HALL

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4:30 PM LAND RESTORATION, ODOR CONTROL

STEVEN'S CREEK

Moderator: Monica Ozores-Hampton, University of Florida

- Using Organic Waste for Soil Creation in Land Restoration UK Case Studies. Paul Gibbs, Andy Whorton, Mike Holt and Jon Smith, 4Recycling Ltd., Garforth GB
- Experience and Observations on Odor Control. Fatih Büyüksönmez, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA
- · Effective use of Optimized Bacteria Strains for Odor Control. Vincent DeLorenzo, Bionetix International, Dorval, Canada

TRACK 4. COMPOSTABLE PLASTICS SYMPOSIUM

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The types, products and uses of compostable plastics are growing, bringing great possibilities, significant challenges, and a lot of uncertainty. Where are these products working? Where are they not, and why? How can you measure success? What are the issues faced by produces, users and composters and how will they get resolved? The USCC is partnering with the California Organics Recycling Committee and the SPI-Bioplastics Council to bring you this one-day "conference-in-a-conference" to educate and foster an informed dialog on this important topic. Attend one session or stay all day!

8:30 AM COMPOSTABLE PLASTICS 101

CYPRESS

Moderator: Michele Young, City of San Jose

- Overview and context, types of materials (compostable vs biodegradable vs recyclable) Steve Davies, SPI Bioplastics Council
- · White paper results: regulations, standards and other issues. Scott Smithline, Californians Against Waste

10:00 AM BREAK IN EXHIBIT HALL

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10:45 AM IDENTIFICATION AND STANDARDS

CYPRESS

Moderator: Brenda Platt, Institute for Local Self Reliance

- Labeling and identification. Steve Mojo, BPI
- The Science behind Compostable Plastics and the ASTM Standards. Ramani Narayan, Michigan State University
- How are Compostable Plastics Viewed Under the National Organic Program. Bill Wolf, Organic Trade Association
- The Composter's Response. Jerry Bartlett, Cedar Grove

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2:00 PM CASE STUDIES

CYPRESS

Moderator: Jack Macy, City of San Francisco

- Matching Biobased Products With Successful Composting. Heeral Bhalala, Sustainable Biomaterials Collaborative/Institute for Local Self-Reliance, Washington, DC
- Utilization of BPI Approved Compostable Bags for the Advancement of Residential Source Separated Organics (Kitchen)
 Diversion Canadian Case Studies Experience & Lessons Learned. Dave Douglas, VisonQuest
- Focus on Special Events. Mary Munat, Green Mary
- The Retailer's Quandary. Tom Wright, Whole Foods

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4:30 PM MOVING FORWARD: DEVELOPING AN ACTION PLAN

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The USCC is developing a Council-sponsored work group to develop an action plan for addressing the challenges related to plastics and compostability. This roundtable session will summarize key points from the day's sessions with perspectives from across the Compostable Plastic's Life Cycle: Manufacturer, User, Collector, Composter and Certifier.

development of:

- Appropriate Product standardsRealistic Composting Parameters
- Applicable Product Identification
- Collaboration among stakeholders, including USCC members, compostable product manufacturers, analytical labs and government agencies

Attendees will want to be part of this conversation to help set a course to be followed by the Council work group for the

Facilitator: Debra Darby, Mirel/USCC Board Member

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Conference Program | Thursday, Jan 27

"Live" Equipment Demonstrations at the Newby Island Compost Facility & Facility Tours of Newby Composting and Zanker Materials Processing Facility

7:00 AM BUSES DEPART FOR NEWBY

LOCATION TBD

The Equipment Demonstrations will feature state-of-the-art equipment from more than 25 manufacturers, including:

- Grinding and shredding equipment from Rotochopper, Peterson, Komptech, Morbark, Duratech, Hammel, Doppstadt USA, Bandit Industries and Vermeer Corporation.
- Screening equipment from McCloskey International, Doppstadt USA, Komptech, Terra-Select and Wildcat
- · Air classification equipment by Airlift Separator/Hawker Corp., Terra-Select and Komptech
- Waste reduction/Pulper and Hydra-Extractor by Somat
- · Mixing Equipment from ROTO-MIX and Supreme International
- · Screening buckets and other attachments from Allu
- Turning equipment from Komptech, Vermeer Corporation, Backhus, Scarab Manufacturing and Midwest Biosystems
- · Bagging Equipment by Rotochopper
- Compost Application Equipment by Ecolawn
- · Front end Loaders and Excavators from CAT (by Peterson Tractor)
- Sponsors: Luncheon by Vermeer Corporation, support equipment by Peterson Tractor, hard hats by Komptech and bottled water by Midwest Biosystems

Following the luncheon there will be guided tours of the Newby Island Composting Facility and Zanker Road Materials Processing Facility. Newby Island features a large-scale windrow composting operation. Feedstocks processed include yard trimmings and biosolids. Newby Island is a producer of high quality compost products that satisfy a large and diverse customer base. Zanker Road Resource Management Ltd. is a full-service resource management and recycling facility. The two adjacent facilities process more than 2,000 tons of mixed debris per day with an average division rate of 81% The tour will include their new soils blending area, colored mulch operation, gypsum recycling operations, two wood grinding and two-demolition processing areas, concrete recycling facility and a 260' C&D sortline.

NOTE: There is NO private car parking at the demonstration area. If you drive your own vehicle, please park at the entrance to the landfill. A shuttle bus will bring you to the demonstrations. There will be a bus departing to the airports at 12:30, and shuttles back to the hotel begin around 1:15. Plenty of time will be available for tours and for visits with equipment demonstrators.

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Monday | Jan 24 | Pre-Conference Training & Workshops

Course	Time	Location
Aerated Static Pile Composting - Applications and Advancements.	9:00am-3:00 pm	Stevens Creek
nstructor: Peter Moon, PE. O2 Compost		
This course is for experienced composters who would like to expand beyond the basics of leaf and yard waste composting into food residuals, manures and other challenging materials. Participants will learn the differences among various systems, how to determine fan size and biping, and what kind of environmental protection and permitting is needed. Many example herated compost systems will be discussed, ranging in size from 2.5 to 25,000 cubic yards and processing all varieties of organic by-products from municipal, institutional and agricultural cources. This workshop includes group exercises, useful planning tools, and an open format to explore student's specific needs.		
Aspects of Facility Design: Planning, System Selection and Environmental Management	8:30 am -noon	San Tomas
nstructor: Eliot Epstein		
This workshop is for facility developers and planners on key considerations for new facilities or najor expansion. It will provide important information on planning, design concepts, system selection, and environmental management.		
Challenges and Solutions for a Successful Food Waste Recycling Program	8:00 am-noon	Lafayette
nstructors: Mike Manna, Organic Recycling Solutions, Peter Klaich, Chamness Technology		
This workshop will address the numerous challenges generators, haulers and compost facilities ace when participating and implementing a comprehensive food waste recycling program. ssues will include, "When is the volume too small", How much food waste is generated by different industries", "Will a waste audit be necessary", "How does this program change the work sulture in a facility", "How many accounts justify a route", "What type of collection will be equired, Toter or Compactor", "To liner or not to liner, that is the question", What type of vehicle is required", "How to develop a generator compliance and monitoring program", "How much contamination is too much", Accepting biodegradable material, Pro's and Con's", "Is pre and post consumer food waste permitted", What are the issues in accepting post consumer food waste", What factors are involved in developing a tip fee".		
Compost Benefits and Usage in Vineyards: Growing Better Grapes, Recipes, Compost Applications and Compost Production nstructor: Bob Shaffer, Soil Culture Consulting, Glen Ellen, CA	8:30 am-4:30 pm	Bayshore East
Concepts, practices and "how to's" of high quality compost production and use for winegrape rineyards will be discussed. The course will provide practical information and training for composters, vineyard managers and viticulturists to use simple, economical and effective methods for producing and using high quality compost from recycled vineyard and winery organic matter. The information presented will help viticulturists to understand the selection of ecycled winery materials for composting, determining what method to process recycled organic matter with and how to determine the best uses of compost to benefit your soil health, vine health and wine quality.		
Compost Business Management.	8:30 am-4:30	Lawrence
nstructors: Craig Coker, Coker Composting and Consulting, Tom Spiggle, Esq., & Andrew Kessler , Turning Earth LLC	pm	
This program will be of benefit to both newcomers and experienced composters. The seminar covers the business management aspects of developing and running a compost business. Topics to be covered will include: the basics of business management, developing a new composting business, business expansion and growth, and exiting a business, among other opics.		
Compost Outreach: Best Practices in Compost Education Programs.	8:30 am -noon	Napa
nstructor: Stan Slaughter, Eco-Troubadour		
Covering a broad range of educational ideas and settings, Stan Slaughter, long-time compost and recycling) educator, will share his own experiences, along with results and stories from some of his clients and send you home with new ideas for your own programs.		
Compost Production for Food Safety.	1:00 pm – 5:00	Lafayette
nstructors: Johnny Massa, ComGro Products, Pat Millner, USDA-ARS, Carrie Gregory, LRI, Mike Villaneva, Leafy Greens Markeitng Agreement	pm	
Recent increases in food-borne illnesses are prompting new food safety regulations. While compost has never been shown to be a source of illness, growers, packers and purchasers are increasingly cautious. Commercial agriculture, both organic and conventional, is a huge potential market for high-quality compost, but will require the composter to take extra precautions to be successful. This workshop will provide both the background to understand the reason for caution and guidance on how to minimize the risks.		

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Compost Sales and Marketing Workshop.	9:00 am-3:00 pm	Alameda
Instructor: Ron Alexander, RA Associates Provides training for compost sales and marketing staff on the basics of compost marketing and sales. The workshop provides marketing insight and sales techniques for new, as well as	p	
veteran, compost sales staff. Subjects will include: understanding the product (and how it fits into a marketing strategy), best practices in compost marketing, marketing plan components, general sales principles and requirements, staffing, sales approaching to the major compost markets, devising sales 'pitches', completing the 'sales call', dealing with objections, and more		
Compost Use in Agriculture, Horticulture and Landscaping.	9:00 am-4:00	Camino Real
Instructors: Dr. Monica Ozores-Hampton, Dr. Donald Rockwood, Dr. Ronald French-Monar, University of Florida/SWFREC	pm	
Once compost has passed regulatory health and safety standards, fruit, vegetable, ornamental and organic growers and producers are interested in potential benefits of its use. Appropriate compost utilization for agriculture, horticultural and landscape products must ensure a proper balance between organics, applied nutrients and the nutrients needs of the particular crop being produced. Consideration must also be given to potentially harmful effects such as plant phytotoxicity and the presence of heavy metals. Workshop participants will learn proper compost use for specific crops and other applications. Training will be based on composting principles and promote the improvement of soil physical, chemical and biological properties by the correct use of composts.		
Management of Odor Issues at Compost Facilities.	1:00 pm -5:00	San Tomas
Instructor: Jeff Gage, Compost Design Services	pm	
This workshop will provide information and discuss odor management for various handling systems and control technologies for composting. Methods of odor assessment will be presented. Odor modeling and its value will be discussed. There have been several studies concerning odor as a potential public health issue. As a result there have been several legal actions against operators. This aspect will also be discussed.		
Protecting Workers: Conducting Job Hazard Analysis For Composting Facilities	8:00 am-noon	Bayshore West
Instructor: Nellie Brown, CIH, Health & Safety Programs, Cornell University		
As employees become more experienced, their plant safety walkarounds and evaluations can become less thorough – people have seen the same workplace so often that they don't really 'see" it anymore. They can overlook hazards and risks because of their familiarity; yet their knowledge and experience is a valuable and decided advantage for doing workplace assessments. Job hazard analysis could be made a more effective workplace evaluation tool by making sure that a wide range of potential hazards have been explored in a structured way so as to reduce the possibility of overlooking the familiar. While evaluating job hazards and potential solutions, exposures can be evaluated for persons with religious or cultural concerns or for those who might be at greater risk due to genetic predisposition or disability so that their issues can be addressed, as well. Adding concerns about diversity and disability enables scientific information to overcome any stereotypical assumptions about certain conditions or work activities so that real risk can be separated from perceptions, myths, and fears		
USCC Foundations of Composting. Instructors: Dr. Robert Rynk, SUNY Cobleskill & Matt Cotton, IWM Consulting	8:30 am-4:30 pm	Winchester
The course will provide a solid understanding of the foundations of composting for operators, managers and regulators. The course will train new composters on the basic principles and techniques of composting and will reacquaint veteran composters with the underlying fundamentals of their profession.		
When Bad Things Happen at Your Composting Facility – Imagining What Can Go Wrong and How You Can Recover.	1:00 pm – 5:00	Bayshore West
Instructor: Nellie Brown, CIH, Health & Safety Programs, Cornell University		
Crises, such as natural disasters, injuries, process failures, odor problems, lawsuits, perceptions by neighbors, financial problems, to name a few examples, may affect the viability of a composting operation demonstrating the need to think strategically about a composting facility's vulnerability to crises. Facility managers have responsibility for assessing risks so that they can prevent crises or lessen their impact. Vulnerability analysis takes the broadest view of your workplace by helping you to identify the wide range of potential crises or disasters your workplace could encounter. In today's world, it is no longer a question of whether a crisis will happen at your workplace, but rather when, which type, and how it will occur. By performing a crisis audit, a composting facility can begin exploring the range of crises to which it may be vulnerable. The results of the audit can then be used to envision potential crisis scenarios for each type of crisis family. The process of developing plans for recovery and business/operation continuity can then be conducted for at least one crisis scenario in each type of crisis family,		



19th Annual Conference and Trade Show Schedule "At a Glance"

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12:00 noon – 1:00 pm	Lunch – Only for Registrants taking a F	ull Day of Workshops	Magnolia					
11:00 am – 6:00 pm	Registration and Exhibitor set up	Convention C			Center Ballroom			
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	POWER (Perishable Organics Waste to Energy Recycling) Meeting Napa				Napa			
5:15 pm	Annual Membership Meeting		Stevens Creek				k	
		Tuesday J	lanuary 25, 201	1				
7:00 am – 8:30 pm	Exhi	bit Hall open — Contir	nental Breakfast	available	e — Conventio	n Center Ball	room	
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Plenary Session: Envisioning the Organic	s Management Facility o	of the Future			Santa Clara Ballroom		
10:00 am - 10:45 am	Break in Exhibit Hall							
	Track 1 INDUSTRY GROWTH, REGULATIONS, ORGANIC AGRICULTURE MARKET IN CA	Track 2 FOOD RESIDUALS AND INCREASED DIVERSION		Track 3 ANAEROBIC DIGESTION, RENEWABLE ENERGY, COMPOSTABILITY TESTING		Track 4 EMISSIONS, BIOPLASTICS, EDUCATION		
	Cypress	Lafayette			Steven's Creek		Winchester	
10:45 am – 12:30 pm	Composting Industry Growth.	Food Residuals 1		Anaerobic Digestion		Air Emissions and Odor Control		
12:30 pm – 1:45 pm	LUNCH available in Exhibit Hall							
1:45 pm – 3:30 pm	Regulations and Carbon Credits	Food Residuals 2 - Col University, Special Eve			Bioplastic Innovations and Case Studies in Expanded Uses			
3:30 pm – 4:15 pm	BREAK in Exhibit hall							
4:15 pm – 6:00 pm	Selling Compost to Certified Organic Farms: The impact of CA AB 856	Achieving Increased D	Compostability Testing, CoDigestion Economic Analysis, Integrated Systems Bioplastic Innovations and Studies in Expanded Uses					

6:15 PM	EXHIBITORS' RECEPTION in Exhibit hall						
		Wednesday January 26,	2011				
7:00 am – 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast in Exhibit Hall						
	Track 1 COMPOST QUALITY, MARKETING AND USE	Track 2 TOOLS OF THE TRADE, COMPOST SYSTEM DEVELOPMENTS, BIOSOLIDS TREATMENT AND USE	Track 3 VERMICOMPOSTING, MORTALITY COMPOSTING, INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS, INCREASING DIVERSION, ODOR CONTROL	Track 4 COMPOSTABLE PLASTICS SYMPOSIUM			
	Winchester	Lafayette	Steven's Creek	Cypress			
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10:00 am – 10:45 am	Break In Exhibit Hall						
10:45 am –12:15 pm	Compost Benefits	Compost Systems 1: Aerated Static Piles	International Developments 1	Compostable Plastics: Standards and Industry Status			
12:15 pm – 2:00 pm	Annual Awards Luncheon—Keynote Speaker Gene Rosow—Magnolia						
	(lunch also available in Exhibit Hall)						
2:00 pm – 3:45 pm	Marketing	Biosolids Composting Systems and Product Use	Achieving Increased Diversion 2, Life Cycle Analysis	Case Studies			
2:30 pm – 5:30 pm	USCC/SWANA Certification Exam for Manager of Compost Programs – Bayshore						
3:45 pm – 4:30 pm	Break In Exhibit Hall						
4:30 pm – 6:00 pm	Compost Use	Compost Systems 2: Aerated Windrows, MBT, Agitated Bays, Comparing Systems	Land Restoration, Odor Control	Moving Forward: Developing an Action Plan			
6:30 pm – 8:00 pm	Reception hosted by Biodegradable Plastics Institute Mezzanine						
7:00 pm – 11:00 pm	Dirt – The Movie! (2 screenings) Santa Clara						
		Thursday January 27, 2	011				
7:00 am – 3:30 pm	"Live" Equipment Demonstrations & Facility Tours at the Newby Island Compost Facility and Zanker Materials Processing Facility						

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