Sustainable Materials Management & the CPG industry CT Study Commission meeting



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Agenda

- I. Background
- II. Industry's Efforts
- III. EPR
- IV. Opportunity in CT

GMA Members General Members



I. Background: CT

• CT goal: 60% diversion of solid waste from landfill by 2024

 "this Strategy also seeks to <u>closely align materials management policy and</u> planning with the state's <u>climate action priorities</u>, <u>including greenhouse gas</u> <u>mitigation</u> through waste reduction and diversion from landfill, and <u>ensuring that</u> <u>clean energy and greenhouse gas mitigation priorities are at the forefront of the</u> <u>transition to next-generation materials management technologies."</u>

I. Background: CT



Figure ES 2-6 Comparison of 2015 and 2010 Top 10 Materials

Source: "2015 Statewide Waste Characterization Study" Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

CPG is a leader in R&D, source reduction, packaging innovation

- New materials minimize environmental impact, use fewer natural resources
- Packaging optimization/reduction efforts yield huge results
- Finding ways to recover hard-to-recycle materials
- Critical role of packaging to prevent waste, further increase food safety







What is "best" packaging? Many factors under consideration

Package Format	Packaging (g. per 100 g. of product)	Energy Consumed (MJ/11.5 oz.)	Greenhouse Gas (kg CO ₂ e/11.5 oz.)	U.S. Packaging Disposed (g./11.5 oz.)
Metal can and plastic lid	29.6	4.2	0.3	35.6
Plastic canister and plastic lid	18.3	5.2	0.2	39.4
Flexible brick pack	3.5	1.1	<0.1	11.3

Recycling rate



Energy use Greenhouse gas Landfill volume Least resources



Source: "Flexible Packaging: Less Resources, Energy, Emissions, and Waste," Flexible Packaging Association, 2009, and SAIC data

US leads EU in packaging reduction per capita, despite GDP growth



Waste Reduction : Food waste & household waste

- Food Waste Reduction Alliance
- Date Label Reform: standardize & streamline more than 10 phrases to just 2:
 - "BEST If Used By" to indicate product quality

"USE By" for highly perishable/food safety concern over time

Voluntary initiatives to increase recycling & educate consumers

- Represents full packaging value chain
- Advocate for holistic, efficient, effective policies

B. Curbside Value Partnership

- Partner with key communities to increase recycling rates
- Matching funds

C. Closed Loop Fund

- \$100m loan fund to invest in recycling infrastructure
- D. Sustainable Packaging Coalition, "How2Recycle" label









III. EPR: Proponents Say

- Reduce costs through efficiencies
- Result in more "environmentally friendly" packaging

III. EPR: How it works

Does not reduce costs

Costs of Blue Box program, Ontario, Canada 2011-2015



Source: "2015 Blue Box Program Costs and Revenue" Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority, Canada

EPR: How it works

Fees to encourage/discourage packaging types

	Fees vastly diffe	rent from country to country					
	Paper	Plastic	Composite				
(Fee per kg in USD, 2004)*							
Germany	\$.19	\$1.37	\$.98				
Belgium \$.02		\$.29	\$.48				
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Material	2014 Adjustment DBBW Fee	Initial 2013	Adjustment	Revised 2014	
Category	Schedule based on 2012 Data Year	Fee/Kilogram	Fee/Kilogram	Fee / Kilogram	
				(following	
				arbitration)	
	Newsprint-CNA/OCNA Members	0.42 ¢/kg	-0.13 ¢/kg	0.29 ¢/kg	
	Other Newsprint-Non-CNA/OCNA	2 62 ¢/kg	0.62 ¢/kg	4.24 ¢/kg	
Printed Materials	Members	3.62 ¢/kg	0.62 ¢/kg		
	Magazines and Catalogues	6.47 ¢/kg	0.50 ¢/kg	6.97 ¢/kg	
	Directories	6.64 ¢/kg	0.19 ¢/kg	6.83 ¢/kg	
	Other Printed Materials	9.99 ¢/kg	3.30 ¢/kg	13.29 ¢/kg	
	Gable Top Containers	18.22 ¢/kg	1.77 ¢/kg	19.99 ¢/kg	
Paper	Aseptic Containers	18.22 ¢/kg	1.58 ¢/kg	19.80 ¢/kg	
Packaging	Paper Laminates	18.22 ¢/kg	1.77 ¢/kg	19.99 ¢/kg	
Fackaging	Corrugated Cardboard	8.39 ¢/kg	0.21 ¢/kg	8.60 ¢/kg	
	Boxboard and Other Paper Packaging	8.39 ¢/kg	0.26 ¢/kg	8.65 ¢/kg	
	PET Bottles	14.70 ¢/kg	0.55 ¢/kg	15.25 ¢/kg	
	PET Bottles > 5 Litres	14.70 ¢/kg	0.55 ¢/kg	15.25 ¢/kg	
	HDPE Bottles and Jugs	13.52 ¢/kg	0.33 ¢/kg	13.85 ¢/kg	
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	Expanded Polystyrene	23.27 ¢/kg	2.08 ¢/kg	25.35 ¢/kg	
	Non-Expanded Polystyrene	23.27 ¢/kg	2.08 ¢/kg	25.35 ¢/kg	
Plastic	Other Plastic Packaging	23.27 ¢/kg	1.81 ¢/kg	25.08 ¢/kg	
Packaging	Other Plastic Packing > 5 Litres	23.27 ¢/kg	1.81 ¢/kg	25.08 ¢/kg	
	LDPE/HDPE Film	23.27 ¢/kg	2.20 ¢/kg	25.47 ¢/kg	
	LDPE/HDPE Film Carry-Out Bags	23.27 ¢/kg	2.20 ¢/kg	25.47 ¢/kg	
	LDPE/HDPE Film Carry-Out Bag Units	Number of units ¹	Number of units	Number of units	
	Plastic Laminates	23.27 ¢/kg	1.85 ¢/kg	25.12 ¢/kg	
	Disrupter Plastics	23.27 ¢/kg	1.85 ¢/kg	25.12 ¢/kg	
	Natural and Synthetic Textiles	23.27 ¢/kg	1.85 ¢/kg	25.12 ¢/kg	
Steel and Other Metal Packaging	Aerosol Containers	5.51 ¢/kg	0.00 ¢/kg	5.51 ¢/kg	
	Paint Cans	5.51 ¢/kg	0.00 ¢/kg	5.51 ¢/kg	
	Other Steel and Metal Containers and	5.51 ¢/kg	0.00 ¢/kg	5.51 ¢/kg	
	Packaging				
	Aluminum Food and Beverage	2.56 ¢/kg	0.39 ¢/kg	2.95 ¢/kg	
Aluminum Packaging	Containers				
	Aerosol Containers	6.97 ¢/kg	0.00 ¢/kg	6.97 ¢/kg	
	Other Aluminum Packaging	6.97 ¢/kg	0.00 ¢/kg	6.97 ¢/kg	
Glass	Clear Glass	2.84 ¢/kg	0.00 ¢/kg	2.84 ¢/kg	
Packaging	Coloured Glass	4.84 ¢/kg	0.00 ¢/kg	4.84 ¢/kg	

Source "Amendment to Rules for Stewards Respecting Blue Box Fees for the Calendar Year 2014," Stewardship Ontario

IV. Opportunity in CT

Figure ES 2-2 Comparison of 2010 and 2015 MSW Composition



Source: "2015 Statewide Waste Characterization Study" Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

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IV. Opportunity in CT: Holistic approach needed

- 1. Promote best design practices
- Encourage: packaging innovation, full lifecycle assessments, new materials
- Avoid: overly narrow thinking
- 2. Address the challenge of food waste- "bang for your buck"
- 3. Cost & Efficiency
- What's working in CT?
- How to replicate success?
- 4. Streamlined messaging



Questions?

