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2014 Rhode Island Compost Conference and Trade Show

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Monday, March 10, 2014 ~ O'Hare Academic Center

8:30 Registration, Bagels, and Trade Show

9:00 Welcomes – Greg Gerritt

9:25 Tim Faulkner, *ecoRI News* — “Previous Strategies for Recycling Organics”

9:35 Facilitated Brainstorm — “What will it take to handle all of Rhode Island’s organics?” – Katherine Brown, *Rockbridge Farm*

9:55 Introduction of Workshops

10:10 – 11:15 WORKSHOPS ROUND 1

Workshop 1 — The Providence Compost Pilot

Sheila Dormody, *Director of Sustainability, City of Providence*

Liza Sutton, *Community Garden Director, Southside Community Land Trust*

Michael Bradlee, *President, Earth Appliance*

Workshop 2 — Composting on Aquidneck Island

Kyle Hence, *Sustainable Aquidneck*

Lauren Carson, *Newport Energy and Environment Commission*

Workshop 3 — Home Composting and the Master Composters

J. Eric Scherer, Toni Ciani, Bob Barnes, *URI Master Compost Program*

Workshop 4 — Practical Policy considerations

Ken Payne, *Systems Aesthetics LLC*

Greg Gerritt, *RI Compost Initiative*

11:25 – 12:30 WORKSHOPS ROUND 2

Workshop 5 — The Solid Waste Plan and Smith Hill Developments

Sarah Kite, *Director of Recycling, RI Resource Recovery Corporation*
Hon. Donna Walsh, *RI House of Representatives*
Tony Affigne, *Providence College (Moderator)*

Workshop 6 — Worms Systems for Institutions

Nancy Warner, *Worm Ladies of Charlestown*

Workshop 7 — Food Services Get Ready: Don't Waste Food

Robert Ross, *Johnson & Wales University*
Christine Beling, *Project Engineer, Assistance and Pollution Prevention Office,
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I*

Workshop 8 — Options for Large Scale Composting

Michael Bryan-Brown, *Green Mountain Technologies*

12:30 LUNCH

1:45 **Panel Discussion:** “Moving forward in CT, MA, and RI — State
Environmental Agency Perspectives and Initiatives”

K. C. Alexander, *Organics Recycling Specialist, CT DEEP Recycling Program*
Terry Gray, *Associate Director for Environmental Protection, RIDEM*
Sumner Martinson, *Director, Composting Program, MADEP*

3:00 CLOSING

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