

State of New Jersey

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BOB MARTIN Commissioner

Dear Mayor;

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I am writing to remind you of a requirement of the "Recycling Enhancement Act", specifically N.J.S.A. 13:1E-99.16. As you may be aware, your municipality must annually file a Recycling Tonnage Report, grant resolution and tax certification (if applicable) in order to receive a "municipal recycling tonnage grant". Beginning with the April 2012 submittal of the above, each municipality is required to have their annual Recycling Tonnage Report submitted via email by a Certified Recycling Coordinator (CRP). Towns may choose to share this service with neighboring towns or their county recycling coordinator, in those instances where such shared services are available. Currently, the certification process runs through Rutgers University.

http://www.cpe.rutgers.edu/programs/recycling_solid_waste.html

When a tonnage report is submitted by a CRP on behalf of another town, the CRP should identify the applicable municipality in the subject header and provide a contact name and phone number of the recycling coordinator for the applicable municipality in the body of the email in the event questions arise. Submission of the annual Recycling Tonnage Report and applicable municipal resolution should be emailed to Joe Davis at joseph.davis@dep.state.nj.us no later than April 30th of each year.

The data that you submit is used in tracking New Jersey's recycling rate, and overall solid waste management mandates are monitored through the analysis of the Recycling Tonnage Report. New Jersey's recycling mandates are 60% of the total solid waste stream and 50% of the municipal solid waste.

About 24,000 jobs are supported in recycling and reuse industries in New Jersey businesses and new job opportunities continue to flourish in such areas as consumer electronics and food waste recycling.

Should you have any questions, please contact Joe Davis at (609) 984-3438.

Sincerely,

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