

# Casella Waste Systems, Inc.

Presentation for the

**Connecticut Green Hotel Certification Training Workshops** 





- •How do I know if we have the proper program and service levels in place?
- •What can I do to increase my recycling rates?
- What is Waste Diversion and why is it important to me?







# How do I know if we have the proper programs and service levels in place?

- Perform a Resource Audit. Actually audit your waste to see what recyclable materials are not being captured.
- Inspect your trash and recycling containers prior to your service day to check fullness and volumes of material.
- Survey your cleaning staff to see what they see is working and what may not be.



## How do I increase my recycling rates?

- Recycling must be convenient!
   Save Time!
- You must educate your guests and employees about the programs you offer and their benefits!
- Create a Hotel Green Team!
- You have to make recycling easier for everyone!
   Saving Effort!





- By allowing your guests and employees to put all recycling into one container, like Casella's Zero-Sort® Recycling.
- Increase the types of commodities you recycle, as well as the various products within those commodity types.
- You must give your guests and employees more room to recycle! Larger containers in rooms and offices and more of them in common areas. Earns CT Green Hotel Certification Points.





# How do you get your message across?

- Let guests know about your recycling program when they check in!
- Display signage in all common areas.
- Utilize video messaging in guest rooms and elevators where available.
- Train all employees about the new program and follow up with periodic waste audits and ongoing training.





# What is Waste Diversion and why is it important to me?

- Throwing away less garbage and recycling more, i.e. diverting trash from the landfills and/or incinerators!
- It is the right thing to do! Complies with State Waste Bans!
- Helps the environment!
- Saves Money!





## How Does Waste Diversion Save Money?

- If you have 10 tons of garbage per month at \$80 per ton, it costs \$800 a month in disposal or \$9600 per year.
- If you can divert an additional 20% or 2 tons into recycling with a charge of \$20 per ton, that is a savings of \$120 a month and \$1440 per year or 15% a year!
- If you can divert an additional 20% or 2 tons into recycling with a rebate of \$20 per ton, that is a savings of \$200 a month and \$2400 per year or 25% a year!



## **Mandatory Recyclables in CT**



- Glass & Metal Food and Beverage Containers
- Corrugated Cardboard
- Newspaper
- White Office Paper (residences exempt)
- Scrap Metal
- Ni-Cd Rechargeable Batteries (from consumer products)
- Waste Oil (crankcase oil from internal combustion engines)
- Storage Batteries (from motor vehicles)
- Leaves (must be composted)
- Grass Clippings (banned from disposal should be left on the lawn or, if necessary, composted)

# Casella's Recycling Centers in CT

- FCR Recycling 211 Murphy Road Hartford, CT 06114
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   1410 Honeyspot Road Ext,
   Stratford, CT 06615-7142



Both plants currently accept Single Stream Recycling







# **Thank You**

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