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June 6, 2025

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Edith Pestana
Program Administrator
Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
79 Elm Street
Hartford, CT 06106

Re: SMART Technology Systems, LLC Environmental Justice Public Participation Report

Dear Ms. Pestana:

I am writing on behalf of my client, SMART Technology Systems, LLC (“SMART”). With this letter, I am including a copy of the Environmental Justice Public Participation Report related to SMART’s proposed Plainfield waste processing and conversion facility.

Should you have any questions concerning this submittal, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Lee D. Hoffman

Enclosure



SMART Technology Systems

Public Participation Report

June 6, 2025

I. Summary

SMART Technology Systems, LLC (“SMART”) proposes a 45 MW waste processing and conversion facility to be located in Plainfield, CT. Because Plainfield is defined as an “environmental justice community” under Connecticut General Statutes § 22a-20a(a)(1), Connecticut’s environmental justice laws are applicable to the development of this facility.

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 22a-20a(b), and in accordance with its March 14, 2025 Environmental Justice Participation Plan, SMART hereby submits this Public Participation Report (“Report”) summarizing environmental justice-related activities conducted to date. This Report contains a summary of pre-meeting requirements, questions raised during the May 7, 2025 Public Meeting (“May 7 Meeting”) at the Plainfield Town Hall, as well as additional activities that have taken place since the May 7 Meeting.

As further demonstrated in this public participation report, SMART continues to refine its public outreach strategy in accordance with guidance from the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (“DEEP” or the “Department”) in support of state objectives of development of renewable energy, waste management, and incorporating local input on needed facilities to accomplish those objectives where possible. SMART also continues to work to address, prevent, minimize and mitigate potential offsite impacts of the facility proactively. Discussions with the Town of Plainfield to evaluate the need for a community environmental benefit agreement remain ongoing and are anticipated to continue for some time.

II. Pre-Meeting Requirements

SMART executed the Environmental Justice Participation Plan as preliminarily approved by DEEP on March 28, 2025. On April 4, 2025, letters were sent to all properties within one half mile of the proposed site. A full listing of those individuals who were sent these letters is included in *Attachment 1* to this report. Of this initial batch, 28 letters were returned as undeliverable. A SMART representative drove to Plainfield on April 17, 2025 to hand deliver those letters, and each was left in an obvious visible place (*i.e.*, tucked into a front door) or personally delivered.

Letters to state and town officials and commissions were sent via certified mail on April 15, 2025. The list of these individuals is contained in the Environmental Justice Public Participation Plan Addendum at Page 3, and is also replicated in *Attachment 1*.

Emails to environmental advocates were sent on April 15, 2025. However, representatives of SMART received a bounceback from jvelazquez@acadiacenter.org. A subsequent email was sent to Joy Yakie, Acadia Center’s Environmental Justice and Outreach Manager on April 16, 2025 at jyakie@acadiacenter.org.

SMART did not post about the May 7 meeting on the community page on Facebook. However, when SMART went on that page, it found that an informational post about the May 7 Meeting was published on the Plainfield CT Residents Facebook Page on April 22, 2025. A screenshot of that post appears below.

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Plainfield CT Residents
 Top contributor Fifi Jessie · Apr 22 · 🌐

All,

The town hall meeting for the waste to energy plant proposal is May 7th at 7pm at town hall. The more of us show up the more impact it will have. If only 10 of us show up, it's a bad time.

Let's all do our best to go! Tell your friend and family! We need to try and stop this for the health of our loved ones. These sites are known to create higher rates of cancer within the town. To make it worse they want to put it directly on our town aquaphor, our water supply. This is not ok!

👍 42 14 comments 21 shares

Like Comment Share

A sign was posted on the property on April 4, 2025, and the sign was visible from Norwich Road.



Notice was published in the Norwich Bulletin and ran on April 14 and 21 in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes § 22a-20a(b)(4).

Public notification materials can be found in *Attachment 1*, including example letters and emails. All as-sent copies can be provided if requested by the Department. An affidavit confirming compliance with these requirements is submitted as *Attachment 2*.

III. Meeting Attendance

The Participation Plan notices were effective, and attendance was high at the May 7 Meeting, with several hundred attendees present in the Plainfield Town Hall. The meeting began at 7:00pm and concluded at approximately 11:00pm. The meeting began with a short technical and informational presentation from SMART, followed by a question and answer session. The videos played are also available on SMART's website at <https://smartmswprocessing.com/>.

Approximately fifty residents commented and asked questions regarding the proposed facility. Many of the residents who attended the meeting voiced their opposition to siting the proposed facility in the Town of Plainfield. SMART made a reasonable and good faith effort to provide clear, accurate and complete information about the proposed affecting facility and the potential environmental and health impacts of such affecting facility or such expansion. SMART addressed many misconceptions about the technology, but attendees were generally frustrated and angry about the project. A full video recording of the meeting is available on the SMART website: <https://us.planengage.com/smartmswprocessing/page/News>.

IV. Questions Received

Representatives of SMART were asked questions during the May 7 Meeting. Responses to those questions and other questions submitted through the SMART website are attached hereto in *Attachment 3*.

Additional questions that have been submitted to SMART since the May 7 Meeting. The majority of these questions have been submitted by the Zero Waste Coalition. Responses to these questions are in *Attachment 4*. Discussions with the Zero Waste Coalition remain ongoing.

As SMART continues to evaluate the feedback it receives concerning the proposed facility, SMART is evaluating what changes to the proposed project will be made as a result of the feedback SMART has received.

V. Next Steps and Continued Outreach

The Zero Waste Coalition has requested that representatives of Smart engage their members in an additional public forum to answer questions. SMART believes that a DEEP-facilitated meeting could have some value, but SMART seeks the Department's guidance as to how to facilitate such a meeting.

Representatives of SMART have reached out to Plainfield First Selectman Kevin Cunningham to discuss and evaluate the feasibility of a community environmental benefit agreement. Potential topics of discussion include educational-related funding for Plainfield Schools, providing a power purchase agreement for Town of Plainfield facilities, and opportunities for noise and traffic mitigation.

In addition, SMART has posted materials relating to its permitting activities and the public outreach associated with this project to its website. This information, including but not limited to, the permit application, the public participation plan, the Traffic Study and the supplement to the Traffic Study are all posted at: <https://us.planengage.com/smartmswprocessing/page/News>. In addition to those materials, a full, unedited video of the May 7 Meeting can be found on that page. Finally, it should be noted that there is a button on every page of the SMART website which will allow members of the public to submit comments directly to SMART.

Attachment 1

Public Notification Materials



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April 4, 2025

Via United States Mail

To the Residents Located Near
The Intersection of Norwich Road and Black Hill Road
Plainfield, CT

Re: Public Informational Meeting Announcement By Smart Technology Systems, LLC

Dear Resident:

Please be advised that this office represents Smart Technology Systems, LLC (“the Applicant”), a developer of recycling and renewable energy facilities. The applicant is proposing to construct and operate a first-in-the-country, next-generation Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) management, recycling and power generation complex. The Applicant is aware that the proposed facility will constitute a major new project in Plainfield, CT and is working very hard to address, prevent, minimize and mitigate potential offsite impacts proactively. The proposed project will be constructed on an 81.2-acre parcel located near the intersection of Norwich Rd (RT-12) & Black Hill Rd (RT-14) in Plainfield. More information on the location of the site is provided on the enclosed USGS map.

We are writing this letter to provide notice that the Applicant is in the process of submitting applications to the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection to construct, install, enlarge, or establish a facility that will be designed to recycle MSW into refuse derived fuel (RDF) to produce electricity as well as recycled commodities, handling approximately 1,800 tons per day of MSW and producing approximately 45 megawatts of electric power. The project will be comprised of a bulk waste handling facility for material separation, a gasification system, anaerobic digester, boiler system and steam turbine generator for electric generation.

In order to provide the community with additional information about this facility, the Applicant will be hosting a public information meeting, open to the general public, as follows:

LOCATION: Plainfield Town Hall, 8 Community Avenue, Plainfield, CT

TIME AND DATE: 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 7, 2025

The agenda for the meeting will be as follows:

1. Introduction of the applicant team
2. General overview of the project
3. Layout and description of the facility
4. Environmental impacts and benefits associated with the facility
5. Questions and answers from the public

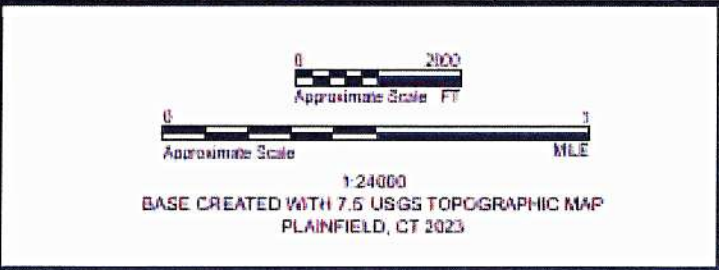
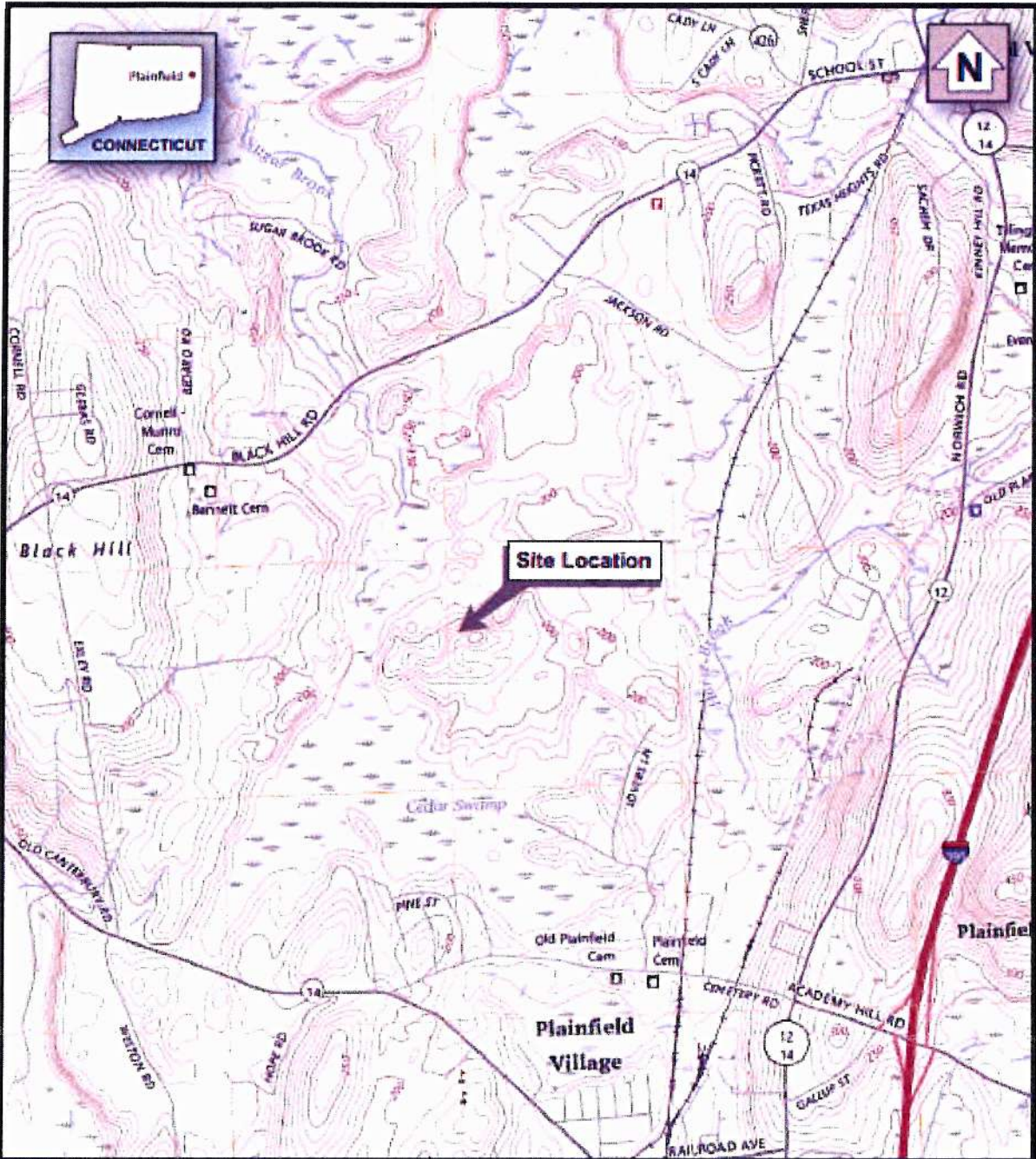
Interested persons may obtain copies of the permit applications for the facility from William J. Corvo, Manager, Smart Technology Systems, LLC, 112 Wall Street, Torrington, Connecticut, 06790, manager@smartmswprocessing.com or by going to www.smartmswprocessing.com. Public comments may also be submitted by going to the project's website (www.smartmswprocessing.com) and clicking on the "Public Comments" button in the lower right-hand corner of the page. If you prefer, comments may also be submitted by US mail (Smart Technology Systems; 112 Wall Street; Torrington, Connecticut, 06790) or electronic mail (manager@smartmswprocessing.com).

We look forward to receiving your comments and answering any questions you may have about this facility.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lee D. Hoffman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "L" and "H".


Lee D. Hoffman



	21 Griffin Road North Windsor, CT 06095 Phone: 860.298.9392
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USGS Map	
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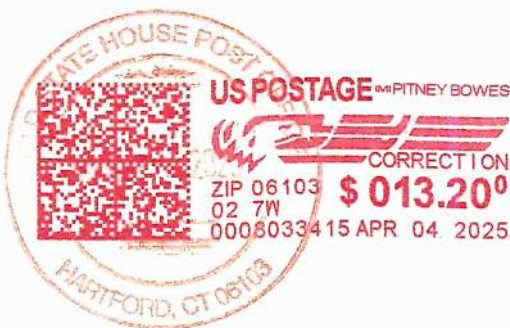
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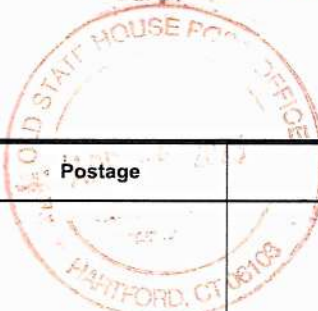
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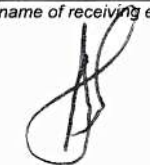
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PLAINFIELD
Town Officials who received Notice of May 7 Public Meeting**

**SERVICE OF NOTICE LETTER TO TOWN OFFICIALS
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	TOWN OFFICIAL AND/OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT	MAILED From P & C via Certified Mail	RETURN RECEIPT BACK [Green Card]	NOTES
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	Arthur W. Gagne Board of Selectman Member Town of Plainfield 8 Community Avenue Plainfield, CT 06374	04/15/25	04/22/25	
	Peggy Ann Bourey Board of Selectman Member Town of Plainfield 8 Community Avenue Plainfield, CT 06374	04/15/25	04/22/25	
	Robert Wagner, Building Official Town of Plainfield 8 Community Avenue Plainfield, CT 06374	04/15/25	04/23/25	
	Richard J. Martel, Building Official Town of Plainfield 8 Community Avenue Plainfield, CT 06374	04/15/25	04/22/25	

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	Planning and Zoning Commission Town of Plainfield 8 Community Avenue Plainfield, CT 06374	04/15/25	04/22/25	
	The Northeast District Department of Health 69 South Main Street, Unit 4 Brooklyn, CT 06234	04/15/25	04/23/25	
	Representative Anne Dauphinais Legislative Office Building, Room 4200 300 Capitol Avenue Hartford, CT 06106	04/15/25	04/24/25	
	Senator Heather Somers Legislative Office Building, Room 3400 300 Capitol Avenue Hartford, CT 06106	04/15/25	04/23/25	



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April 15, 2025

Via Certified Mail

Mr. Kevin Cunningham
First Selectman
Plainfield Town Hall
8 Community Avenue
Plainfield, CT 06374

Re: Public Informational Meeting Announcement by Smart Technology Systems, LLC

Dear Mr. Cunningham,

As you may be aware, this office represents Smart Technology Systems, LLC (“Smart”), which intends to construct and operate a first-in-the-country, next-generation Municipal Solid Waste (“MSW”) management, recycling and power generation complex in your town to be located at the intersection of Norwich Rd (RT-12) & Black Hill Rd (RT-14), Plainfield, Connecticut. More information on the location of the site is provided on the enclosed USGS map.

This project will be comprised of a bulk waste handling facility for material separation, a gasification system, anaerobic digester, boiler system and steam turbine generator for electric generation, which will process approximately 1,800 tons per day of MSW and produce approximately 45 megawatts of electric power.

Smart understands that this is a major project and, as such, intends to collaborate with the public and the Town of Plainfield to proactively address, prevent, minimize and mitigate any possible unfavorable impacts to adjacent communities. This letter serves to notify you that Smart will hold a public information meeting, open to the general public, which it hopes you can attend, as follows:

LOCATION: Plainfield Town Hall, 8 Community Avenue, Plainfield, CT

TIME AND DATE: 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 7, 2025

The agenda for the meeting will be as follows:

1. Introduction of the applicant team
2. General overview of the project
3. Layout and description of the facility
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Sincerely,

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 Mr. Kevin Cunningham
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 Plainfield, CT 06374



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Via Certified Mail

Arthur W. Gagne
Board of Selectman Member
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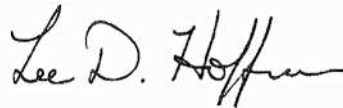
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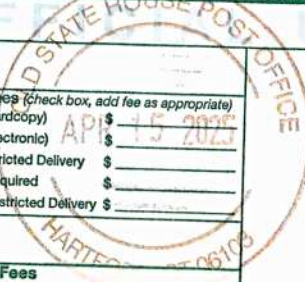
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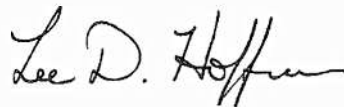
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Carlson, Julia

From: Carlson, Julia
Sent: Tuesday, April 15, 2025 10:30 AM
To: madisonspremulli@gmail.com
Cc: Hoffman, Lee D.; Boucher, Kathryn E.
Subject: Notice of Public Meeting – Plainfield – May 7
Attachments: Smart Technology Systems, LLC - Notice Letter to Madison Spremulli of May 7, 2025 Public Information Meeting.pdf

Greetings

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Thank you in advance for your consideration.

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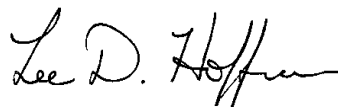
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We look forward to seeing you at the meeting and answering any questions you may have about this facility. Please also feel free to reach out to me or my colleague Kate Boucher (keboucher@pullcom.com or 860-424-4372) directly with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lee D. Hoffman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "L" and "H".

Lee D. Hoffman

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Tourists speak out about ICE detentions

'You're treated like worst criminal,' Australian says

Trevor Hughes and Lauren Villagran
USA TODAY

A British backpacker. A Harvard researcher. A Canadian actress. An Australian mixed martial arts coach. Dozens of international college students.

The Trump administration's sweeping immigration and visa crackdown has begun ensnaring a class of people long accustomed to being welcomed with open arms into the United States.

And those uncommon detainees are bringing new attention to the often harsh U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement detention system, where people can be held without charge indefinitely, sometimes in shocking conditions, or abruptly removed from the country.

This type of treatment has long been the case in ICE detention, but the people held by the government often didn't have the resources — the access, language or middle-class expectations — to denounce the conditions.

Now, with President Donald Trump's crackdown, native English speakers, people with PhDs, and others are getting the word out to a broader public about a system they describe as arbitrary and punishing.

"It's insane how easily someone can take away your freedom, lock you in a federal prison, without a clear reason. No explanation. No warning," Australian MMA coach Renato Subotic wrote in an Instagram post after being detained in early April. "Just like that, you're treated like the worst criminal."

Like the other detained travelers, Subotic said he was trying to enter the United States with a visa and was handcuffed after customs officers identified a paperwork problem. Instead of being refused entry to the United States and put on a flight back home, Subotic said he was taken to a chaotic federal detention center for 24 hours.

Trump campaigned on tough new immigration enforcement, particularly targeting violent offenders in the United States without legal permission. But the



Harvard Medical School researcher Kseniia Petrova, right, has remained in ICE detention for more than seven weeks. PROVIDED BY LEON PESHKIN

crackdown has swept up everyday foreign travelers and tourists, too, resulting in detention for infractions that previously would have gotten a severe glare or a \$500 fine.

"I believe in respecting the rules. But putting someone in federal prison over a missing detail in a visa application?" Subotic wrote in his post. "Now I'm back in Australia, I'll speak with my lawyers. Something has to be done about the way I was treated. Hope this never happen to nobody else."

USA TODAY asked ICE whether foreign travelers should expect to be detained on an infraction of customs or immigration law. The agency didn't respond to a request for comment regarding its detention practices.

Not supposed to be punishment

Because immigration and visa violations are civil, not criminal matters, ICE detention is supposed to be "non-punitive," according to the agency's own guidelines.

But conditions vary widely in the sprawling detention network overseen by ICE, which includes government-run and contracted facilities, said Deb Fleischaker, a former ICE official who served under the Biden administration and the first Trump administration.

"Legally, it is civil detention, not criminal detention," Fleischaker said. But "by and large, people are treated like they are in jail."

When the system gets overcrowded, conditions can deteriorate, she said. ICE held nearly 48,000 people in detention

in early April, according to agency data. Last year, Congress provided funding for a daily average maximum of 41,500 immigration detention beds.

Fleischaker said problems like overcrowding used to be detected and fixed by internal review systems. But the Trump administration recently eliminated two key oversight offices, the Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, and the Office of the Immigration Detention Ombudsman.

Detention or 'kidnapping'?

Canadian entrepreneur-turned-actress Jasmine Mooney described an experience similar to Subotic's, but far longer. She described her 12-day ICE detention in The Guardian newspaper as a "kidnapping" after she tried to enter the United States at the Mexican border, as she'd done many times before.

Legally, immigration officers couldn't send her back to Mexico, because she's a Canadian citizen. But in years past, agents might have put her on a one-way flight to Vancouver, experts told USA TODAY.

"One minute, I was in an immigration office talking to an officer about my work visa, which had been approved months before and allowed me, a Canadian, to work in the U.S.," she wrote. "The next, I was told to put my hands against the wall, and patted down like a criminal before being sent to an ICE detention center without the chance to talk to a lawyer."

British backpacker Rebecca Burke did chores for her U.S. host family. ICE detained her for 19 days, claiming she should have requested work permission, not a tourist visa, despite previously having been allowed in under the same circumstances.

Burke said she was handcuffed, shackled, had her shoelaces cut off and then discovered the ICE agent assigned to her case had gone on vacation while she was detained in a room with 100 other women.

Harvard Medical School researcher Kseniia Petrova has remained in ICE detention for more than seven weeks with no end date in sight.

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from Paris to Boston Logan International Airport in February, with specimens for her lab's genetics research that customs officers said she failed to properly declare. She arrived with her J1 work-study visa; she was in good standing and had never entered the country unlawfully.

Typically, when a traveler fails to properly declare an import, customs officers confiscate the product. Sometimes they issue a fine. In Petrova's case, they withheld her visa. ICE sent her to a privately run Louisiana detention center and has refused to release her or allow her to return to Europe.

Petrova said she told CBP officers she feared returning to Russia because of her pro-Ukrainian political activism. Her Harvard colleagues and 17 U.S. senators have urged ICE to release her.

'That would be my worst nightmare'

Longtime immigration attorney Len Saunders called the Trump approach "scorched earth." He said border agents and customs officers have long had discretion to let in someone whose paperwork isn't perfect, giving them a grace period if necessary.

But Saunders also noted that the conditions and uncertainty Mooney, Subotic and others experienced reflects standard practice once someone is in the immigration detention system.

He said there's typically a lack of urgency, especially because there aren't enough immigration judges to hold hearings swiftly. In criminal court, defendants are entitled by the 6th Amendment to speedy prosecutions. But in immigration court, detainees can languish for weeks or months.

"As an immigrant to this country, that would be my worst nightmare, ending up in one those places," Saunders said. "I feel sorry for these people."

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Trump pressured over revoked visas

International students affected across country

Trevor Hughes
USA TODAY

DENVER – Lawsuits, rallies and pointed bipartisan questions are ratcheting up the pressure on the Trump administration to explain its growing cancellation of international student visas, forcing hundreds of students and their families to depart the country within days.

A broadening number of students are suing to stop the revocations, which are also being contested by 19 Democratic state attorneys general. Sen. Richard Blumenthal, D-Connecticut, has demanded answers about what he called the Trump administration's "arbitrary, craven cruelty."

The Associated Press has tallied at least 1,000 revocations based on news reports and university statements. The cancellations reflect a small percentage of the estimated 1.5 million international students studying in the United States but have sent shock waves through the collegiate community.

"It's incredibly scary," said Leo Gerden, 22, an international student from Sweden studying economics and government at Harvard. "It feels like we're being used as poker chips in a battle with the White House."

Gerden on April 17 helped organize a 300-person rally at Harvard, which is President Donald Trump's latest target. The president and his administration accuse Harvard, among other universities, of allowing antisemitism to flourish on campus, endangering Jewish students. More than 25% of Harvard's total enrollment is international students, with about 6,800 of them this academic year.

Harvard has refused Trump's demands for dramatic changes to courses and staffing, and federal officials subsequently threatened to ban the university from accepting international students. Many of the students who've lost visas nationwide appear to have no connection to pro-Palestinian protest movements.



Demonstrators stand in Harvard Yard after a rally was held against President Donald Trump's attacks on the university in Cambridge, Massachusetts, on April 17. JOSEPH PREZIOSO/AFP VIA GETTY IMAGES

Federal officials have demanded Harvard turn over a list of international students who participated in those protests last year, and Harvard administrators refused.

Blumenthal said there's been more than 50 revocations in Connecticut, including at Yale and Wesleyan. In a letter to the Trump administration, Blumenthal sought an accounting of how many visas have been revoked, the reasons cited for each one and whether students were afforded due process to contest the decision.

In some cases, students who are within weeks of graduating are being forced home. Immigration experts said they've never seen the federal government make such sweeping changes to the ordinarily low-profile process of hosting international students.

In Utah, where at least 50 visas have been revoked, Republican Gov. Spencer Cox said at a news conference he's concerned the White House hasn't offered any explanations, and Utah would "very much like to figure that out."

Among the students targeted in Utah is a Japanese national finishing his PhD at Brigham Young University. His attorney told reporters that Suguru Onda had

gotten several speeding tickets and in 2019 was ticketed for catching too many fish during a church outing. Onda told the Deseret News that although his attorney is fighting the cancellation, he's preparing to leave Utah with his wife and their five kids.

A coalition of attorneys general has joined a suit brought by the American Association of University Professors seeking to halt the visa cancellations. Many critics of the cancellations say they appear to be targeted toward students who participated in pro-Palestinian protests and represent an illegal ideological purge.

Trump administration attorneys say the White House has the right to order noncitizens to leave the United States if they're deemed a security risk. Secretary of State Marco Rubio has said he's been revoking visas based on support for terror organizations like the pro-Palestinian Hamas.

Justice Department attorneys argued in court this week that under both the "federal immigration laws and well-established Supreme Court precedent, the government is able to take adverse immigration action for certain expression."

In an April 16 announcement, Homeland Security Secretary Kristi Noem warned Harvard that it would lose both federal funding and the right to host international students if it doesn't fall in line. Last spring, Harvard students protesting Israel's retaliatory attacks on Gaza occupied the university's central courtyard for 20 days and staged a 24-hour sit-in in another building.

University officials initially planned to suspend five students for their participation but downgraded that to probation, the Harvard Crimson student newspaper reported. The university also withheld degrees from 13 students during last year's spring graduation ceremony, prompting a 1,000-person walk-out, the Crimson reported.

"Harvard bending the knee to antisemitism – driven by its spineless leadership – fuels a cesspool of extremist riots and threatens our national security," Noem said in a statement. "With anti-American, pro-Hamas ideology poisoning its campus and classrooms, Harvard's position as a top institution of higher learning is a distant memory. America demands more from universities entrusted with taxpayer dollars."

She added: "Since Hamas's Oct. 7, 2023, attack on Israel, Harvard's foreign visa-holding rioters and faculty have spewed antisemitic hate, targeting Jewish students. With a \$53.2 billion endowment, Harvard can fund its own chaos – DHS won't. And if Harvard cannot verify it is in full compliance with its reporting requirements, the university will lose the privilege of enrolling foreign students."

The Anti-Defamation League, the country's largest Jewish rights group, gave Harvard an "F" rating on its 2024 campus safety report card last year, citing what it called a "serious problem" with antisemitism.

But in a statement released April 18, the league said the administration has gone too far in its response: "They also are insisting on reforms that go far beyond ensuring the civil rights of Jewish students and faculty. They are imposing or suggesting extremely severe penalties that don't tie to the issue of reducing antisemitism, such as investigating its tax-exempt status."

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Affidavit of William J.
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**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

SMART Technology Systems, LLC
Environmental Justice Public Participation Plan

AFFIDAVIT OF WILLIAM J. CORVO

I, William J. Corvo, do state and declare under penalty of perjury as follows:

1. I am over the age of eighteen and understand the obligation of an oath.
2. I submit this Affidavit in support of the Environmental Justice Public Participation Report as it relates to the development of the SMART Technology Systems, LLC ("SMART") facility in Plainfield, CT and the Environmental Justice Public Participation Plan associated with that project.
3. I am employed by SMART as its manager. In that position, I have ultimate responsibility for all aspects of the Project that is the subject of this proceeding.
4. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein unless otherwise stated, in which case, I understand those facts to be true based on information and belief.
5. Specifically, I helped to prepare the Environmental Justice Public Participation Plan and it was executed under my direction. I swear and affirm that in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes § 22a-20a(b)(2)-(5), the following requirements were met, including:
 - (A) posting a reasonably visible sign on the proposed or existing affecting facility property, printed in English, in accordance with any local regulations and ordinances;
 - (B) posting a reasonably visible sign, printed in all languages spoken by at least fifteen per cent of the population that reside within a one-half of a mile radius of the proposed or existing affecting facility, in accordance with local regulations and ordinances;
 - (C) notifying local and state elected officials, in writing;
 - (D) posting on electronic media, including, but not limited to, relevant Internet web sites and social media platforms, provided such notice is readily found by searching for the name of the affecting facility on the Internet;
 - (E) Not less than 30 days prior to the informal public meeting, sending notice to all residential households located within a one-half-mile radius of the proposed or existing affecting facility as preliminarily approved by DEEP in the Environmental Justice Public Participation Plan;
 - (F) Not less than ten days prior to the informal public meeting and not more than thirty days prior to such meeting, publishing the date, time and nature of the informal public meeting with a minimum one-quarter page advertisement in a newspaper having general circulation in the area affected, and any other appropriate local newspaper serving such area, in the Monday issue of a daily publication or any day in a weekly or monthly publication;
 - (G) At the informal public meeting, making a reasonable and good faith effort to provide clear, accurate and complete information about the proposed affecting facility or the

Attachment 3

Questions and Answers from the EJ Public Participation Meeting that occurred on May 7, 2025 or that were received by SMART that relate to the permit application of SMART Technology Systems, LLC

Listed below is a summary of the questions received during the Public Participation Meeting that occurred at Plainfield Town Hall on May 7, 2025. The answers to these questions were made during the Meeting, however, some of the answers below represent a more fulsome response than some of the answers that were provided during the Meeting. An unedited recording of the Meeting can be found on the SMART Technology Systems website at:

<https://us.planengage.com/smartmswprocessing/page/News>.

1. Where is the project getting natural gas from?

The project will receive its natural gas from the local distribution company, Eversource, via its distribution line on Route 12.

2. What happens if hydraulic fluid spills?

The facility will have a formal spill response plan. The plan, when developed, will include an inventory of spill control materials to be maintained at the facility, a listing of key personnel responsible for responding to spills, procedures for responding to spills, training requirements for all response team members, and a listing of “on-call” response contractors if additional resources are required. Notification will also be made to the local fire department and the CT DEEP Emergency Response and Spill Prevention Division. Typically, however, vehicle-related hydraulic fluid spills are small and easily controlled by facility staff using granular adsorbents. An example of such an adsorbent is common kitty litter; however, there are many similar products that are readily available.

3. Any plans for improvements in technology? Any changes we foresee?

The project is currently investigating improvements in municipal solid waste (MSW) sorting technology by utilizing AI driven robotics and optical sorting. The use of such technology will enhance the facility’s recycling capabilities, particularly in sorting different grades of plastics and aluminum products in the waste stream.

4. Not confident of current federal regulations. How will enforcement work?

The Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (CT DEEP) has been delegated authority to implement and enforce the Federal Clean Air Act, as amended. In addition, Connecticut has its own State Air Quality Regulations, which in many cases refer to the Federal Air Quality Regulations, but in other cases may be more stringent—though never less stringent—than the federal requirements. The Abatement of Air Pollution Regulations are available on the [Connecticut eRegulation System](#) under RCSA Title 22a-174 and can be found here:

https://eregulations.ct.gov/eRegsPortal/Browse/RCSA/Title_22aSubtitle_22a-174/. CT DEEP, as well as the US Environmental Protection Agency, both have authority to enforce against violations of both the federal Clean Air Act and the State program requirements.

In response to Question No 4, the concern was interpreted to relate to the possibility that more stringent federal Clean Air Act regulations that were proposed (though not finalized) by the Biden Administration might be altered by Executive Order. Our response to this concern was that the Clean Air Act was adopted by Congress and represent “the law of the land”. Furthermore, Connecticut independently enforces its own air regulations at the state level, and CT DEEP remains responsible for permitting and enforcement of all applicable air quality regulations.

5. How will this plant make money? How will we handle jobs?

SMART has two development plans to generate revenue from this project. The first option is to provide a permitted, approved facility ready for “turn-key” construction to a Connecticut Waste Authority in response to a Request for Proposals (RFP) issued by the State of Connecticut. Alternatively, we may proceed with development in partnership with a group of private investors, allowing us to build and operate the facility as a private entity

The operating facility is expected to create approximately 160 full-time jobs. If the Connecticut Waste Authority owns and operates the facility, it will be responsible for hiring the necessary personnel or contracting a company to manage operations. If SMART develops the project with private investors, we would likely engage a company that specializes in plant operations for this type of facility. SMART would recommend that priority be given to hiring employees from the Plainfield community.

6. Would like us to provide pictures of what the site will look like from the outside.

Renderings of the project can be found using this link:

<https://us.planengage.com/smartmswprocessing/page/project-location-overview-rend>

7. One speaker wants to know what we are going to do to pay for taxes. She has a separate cost benefit analysis.

In the past, waste processing projects were typically built and sold to Resource Recovery Authorities. These authorities are “quasi-public” entities that generally do not pay property taxes. To address this, developers would enter into PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) agreements with the host communities. These agreements would then passed on to the Resource Recovery Authority, which would make the agreed-upon payments to the local municipality.

8. Why build in Plainfield?

The project site is currently owned by a member of the development team. In addition, the site offers access to essential infrastructure, including electrical interconnection, water, sewer, natural gas, and transportation routes for vehicles.

9. Questions are asked about ash disposal and whether such disposal will be going to be open beds.

A link to the ash disposal process is provided to illustrate how it operates: <https://us.planengage.com/smartmswprocessing/page/PG>. Ash will be handled in a totally enclosed environment and will not be handled in open beds.

10. Commenters asked what will happen to their roads.

The Connecticut Department of Transportation (DOT) is responsible for maintenance and repair of all State roads. Thus, the roads that will be primarily used by the project will be maintained by DOT, not the Town of Plainfield.

11. What will the impact be on residents' property values?

We have designed the project to be built within property currently owned by O&G in a manner to minimize the impact of our facility on neighbors abutting the property. We have included major environmental systems to reduce any impacts such from noise and odor. Truck traffic for delivery is limited to Monday through Friday deliveries. While we cannot be certain of any impacts to property values of the project, we should note that property tax burdens will be lowered significantly due to the SMART project's payment of new taxes. If the project is constructed, the project would be among the top ten taxpayers in the Town of Plainfield. We will work with neighbors to keep any potential negative impacts on their property minimal.

12. Question about how much water is going to be used?

The Facility will utilize approximately 27,000 gallons of water per day for process and domestic systems. The water will be obtained from the Connecticut Water Company. No wells will be constructed to obtain this water.

13. One commenter asked why the project was not being built in Hartford where MIRA was?

As an initial matter, we would note that the site where MIRA was located in Hartford is not currently available to SMART Technology to use for this purpose. Moreover, at this stage in development, SMART Technology would need to ascertain whether this location is appropriate for the project as designed. Finally, as several commenters noted during the May 7 Meeting, residents from Hartford would likely oppose locating such a facility at that location.

14. Sharon Lewis, of the CT Zero Waste Coalition Comments.

In her view, no community needs to have an incinerator in it. She indicates that she's from the CT Zero Waste Coalition and opposes the project. She says there are studies that show property values will be significantly reduced.

15. How will we control the doors, etc. When do the trucks go through the doors?

The fast-acting doors will be equipped with a photo-cell sensor that will open the door when a vehicle gets within a certain distance and closes when the vehicle clears the entrance. The proposed doors will open in 5 seconds and close in 10 seconds upon clearing of the entrance doorway.

16. How many towns will be bringing their waste here?

We know that Plainfield produces approximately 9,700 tons of MSW per year. The SMART project is designed to process 468,000 tons of MSW per year. If the project is owned and operated by a Connecticut Waste Authority entity, it is likely to have several Connecticut towns participating and sending their waste to the project. If the project is a fully private project, the companies involved in waste hauling in Connecticut would be the most likely candidates for delivering waste to the project.

17. Are we going to pay taxes, or do we have a PILOT?

At the present time we do not have a PILOT agreement with the Town of Plainfield. As the project moves forward, we will be holding discussions with the Town of Plainfield on this issue. In addition, the project would like to discuss entering into a Community Benefit Agreement with the Town of Plainfield to provide the Town with additional funding/benefits.

18. Is the State Department of Public Health (DPH) working on this?

At this point in the project's development, only an air permit has been applied for to the DEEP, and the DPH is not involved in that proceeding. However, the project will be applying for approval from the Connecticut Siting Council, and at that time, the DPH will be solicited by the Siting Council to provide the Council with comments on the project.

19. Chair of Planning and Zoning for the Town of Plainfield states that this project is not consistent with the Town's Plan of Conservation and Development.

As mentioned above, the project will be seeking approval for the project from the Connecticut Siting Council. One of the items that the Council will evaluate is consistency of the project with the Town's Plan of Conservation and Development.

20. Do we have our financing?

At present we have been in discussion with a number of entities specializing in financing these types of projects. We do not currently have a signed agreement for the financing but feel confident that we can achieve this goal as we move forward with the development process.

21. Can the town be a partner in this?

The Town of Plainfield could participate in the project if the project is constructed by a Connecticut Waste Authority. If that method of project development is used, and the Town of Plainfield becomes a member of such an authority, it would participate in the project.

Regardless of whether the Town participates in a waste authority, SMART would also be able to enter discussions with the Town of Plainfield to provide substantial community benefits. This could include some type of electrical offtake agreement between the Town of Plainfield and SMART as well as discussions to provide MSW processing at the preferred rate.

22. What's the design life of the plant?

The facility will be designed for a fifty (50) year life span.

23. If the project was turned down by the Town of Plainfield's Planning and Zoning Commission, why is the project here now?

SMART participated in a presentation before the Plainfield Planning & Zoning Commission in 2024. At that meeting, O&G was requesting consideration of a change of the zone to allow for the development of an environmental-industrial park on the 506-acre property. This would have included the SMART project as one of several different developments. That request was turned down. Our current SMART project has a significantly smaller footprint and is less ambitious, recognizing and responding to the comments that we received at that meeting in April 2024.

24. Do we think their volunteer fire department could handle a gas fire issue?

The plant would work with the Plainfield Fire Chief / local fire department to develop site-specific training which would include identification of hard-to-access locations, specific hazards, special equipment needs, ladder access to personnel platforms, etc. The plant would employ two full time firemen, build an onsite firehouse and equip it to support the plant needs. These firemen would train a team of plant first responders which would be present on all shifts to support the fire department. This system would be backed up with a Fire Rover system (<https://firerover.com>) which provides 24/7 remote fire detection allowing for swift response using precise suppression to extinguish fires before the spread.

25. What is our projected revenue?

The revenue stream for the SMART project development depends on whether we have the opportunity to participate in an RFP to be issued by the State of Connecticut as part of a Connecticut Waste Authority. If that is the case, the project would have to respond to the RFP, and the SMART revenue would be based on the turn-key price submitted in the bidding process. We are still early in development and as indicated at public hearings, we have completed approximately 30% of our engineering.

The alternative development calls for permitting, development and construction of the project by SMART in conjunction with private investors. The current tipping fee prices continue to increase.

The cost of development and construction also continues to increase. Therefore, accurate revenue projections cannot be made at this time.

26. Do we think we could put this in other towns in Fairfield County?

We believe that this project, with our unique MSW processing system design, can be built anywhere there is sufficient land for development and suitable infrastructure (roads, gas and electric lines, etc.)

27. Will there be oxygen in the RDF facility? Has it been used elsewhere?

There will not be oxygen in the RDF facility. SMART has integrated a state-of-the art Bulk Handling System and Anerobic Digester (AD) that sorts the Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) into Refuse Derived Fuel (RDF). The solid fuel is then injected into an oxygen starved gasifier vessel and kept in circulation. Utilizing a chemical reaction in the gasifier (no combustion) the solids are then transformed into a gas where they are then cleaned and cooled. The technology is currently being utilized in Europe.

28. Is the air in Plainfield going to be cleaner or dirtier?

This question should be clarified and posed to the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (CT DEEP), the agency tasked with maintaining regulatory compliance with National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) in Connecticut. Continuous compliance with all NAAQS defines “Clean Air” everywhere in the US, via documentation of achieving stringent human health and welfare air quality standards developed by the US National Institutes of Health (NIH) and implemented by US EPA and CT DEEP. These standards, by definition, as established and as continually reviewed based on emerging science, have been determined under the Clean Air Act to be fully protective of the health and welfare of every US Citizen, including asthmatics, infants, children, the elderly and the infirm. Please refer to the Ambient Air Modeling Study provided in the SMART Air Permit Application, which documents using, very conservative EPA Air Quality Modeling, that the proposed addition of the subject facility would not result in any condition of air pollution in Plainfield or anywhere else that would endanger human health or the environment.

No Permit to Construct could be issued to this proposed facility unless CT DEEP has also issued an Air Permit confirming that all Federal and State adopted standards in Plainfield, and everywhere else, will be fully protected.

The questioner at the Public Meeting asked if the proposed facility would “pollute” the ambient air in Plainfield. The answer is: In order to receive approval to construct, the facility shall document that it would not pollute the ambient air in Plainfield or anywhere else.

29. Who is going to pay for decommissioning? Who's going to pay if it fails?

The project will support any costs associated with decommissioning. To that end, the project is willing to provide for a decommissioning bond or other financial assurance mechanism to ensure the decommissioning is appropriately and fully funded.

30. What's going to happen with the ACOE permit?

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Permit No. NAE-2004-01447 was issued to O&G Industries on September 2, 2014. The work-to-be-completed that was authorized by the Permit never commenced. This Permit expired on July 16, 2016, but was reissued on October 18, 2016, with an expiration date of August 19, 2021. Again, the work-to-be-completed that was authorized by the Permit never commenced and the Permit has not been reissued since that time.

31. How will the project account for the noise of the trucks?

The on-site speed limit will be limited to 15 MPH, on specific marked, paved and SMART-maintained routes, that include vegetated buffer spaces between the 81.2-acre developed parcel of the 506-acre site and nearby residences. These features are being designed to help mitigate on-site traffic noise compared with general traffic noise from a wide range of vehicles travelling at higher speeds on existing state roads.

As shown in the materials presented at the informational meeting, waste delivery trucks will only unload once marshalled inside of an acoustically designed tipping building, at which point the overhead doors will close automatically. Noise from discharging the loads of waste to the tipping area will be mitigated by doing so within the designed indoor enclosure. The tipping area itself will be of concrete construction and below grade which will further mitigate noise from this operation.

CT requires strict provisions to eliminate stationary idling of trucks on site. These requirements will be posted via signage as a requirement of waste delivery contracts. These contracts will be more fully described when SMART applies for its Solid Waste Permit Application.

Backup alarms are required by the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). Backup alarms, during the reverse movement of trucks, save lives, and are not optional. SMART has designed a partial enclosure (as shown on the materials presented at the May 7 Meeting) to screen and mitigate backup alarm noise (together with the vegetated buffer areas) to help shield residential receptors beyond the site property limits. Such noise (which generally travels in straight lines) may also reflect off smooth, hard (reflective) surfaces such as a steel building wall. SMART is further evaluating acoustic treatment of the overhead doors semi-enclosure to further mitigate reflected noise due to back up alarms – this is being done in response to comments received during the May 7 Meeting.

Vegetation attenuation, including arborvitae and other conifers, is a modeled element with accepted mitigation factors for noise. Additional trees will be planted in specific areas around the exterior of the property that will minimize noise at the property line.

32. Will we have water waste? What's our water waste solution?

The facility will generate domestic wastewater and a relatively small amount of boiler drain (blowdown) wastewater. These wastewaters are planned to be pumped through a dedicated force main to the Plainfield North Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW). Other wastewater will be hauled to out-of-town licensed/permitted facilities on an as-needed basis.

33. Where do we get our noise numbers from?

The plant will follow the State regulations of 51dbA at night and 61dbA during the day noise emissions from a Class C emitter to a Class A receptor.

34. What permits is the project applying for?

There are three major categories of permits that the facility will need to construct and operate the facility. As discussed at the May 7 Meeting, the facility has applied for permits to operate and construct the facility in accordance with the Clean Air Act, as administered by CT DEEP. In addition, the facility will require a variety of solid waste permits which will also be issued by CT DEEP. Finally, the facility will also require approval from the Connecticut Siting Council before construction can begin.

In addition to those permits, the project will require a variety of other permits, such as a pretreatment permit from the local publicly-owned treatment works, and building and electrical permits. As permits are applied for and obtained, a record of such permits can be found on the project's website at: <https://us.planengage.com/smartmswprocessing/page/News>.

35. Does anybody here have the power to terminate the project?

The SMART Technology stakeholders are the decision makers for the project. They have the ability to terminate the project. In addition, there are several regulatory agencies, including, but not limited to CT DEEP and the Siting Council that can ensure that the project cannot be constructed if permit limits are not met.

36. Is there any intention to use the railroads?

The use of the railroad lines in the area is currently being investigated as a method for bringing waste to the site. No final course of action has been determined at this time.

37. Will the slides and this session be available to the public?

Yes. The Environmental Justice Public Meeting Presentation, slide deck, recording of the proceeding, and other supporting documents have been added to the SMART website. These materials can be accessed at: <https://us.planengage.com/smartmswprocessing/page/News>.

38. Commenters inquired as to compliance with CT DEEP Natural Diversity Database (NDDDB) requirements.

We have not relocated nor plan to relocate any species listed on the NDDDB. Additional correspondence on the NDDDB status for the project is attached to the air permit application and can be found on the SMART website at <https://us.planengage.com/smartmswprocessing/page/Home>.

39. Can we provide more photos of actual plants? Lahti Video.

A video of the plant in operation in Lahti, Finland can be accessed on the SMART website under the Project Technology & Videos tab at <https://us.planengage.com/smartmswprocessing/page/PG>.

40. What did we take away from this panel?

The project recognizes that the residents of Plainfield have significant and understandable concerns about a project of this scope coming into their community. However, we continue to believe that as more information regarding the project, and the steps being taken to alleviate concerns about adverse impacts, such as noise, odor, visibility and traffic issues are taken into consideration, it is SMART's hope that the community will agree that the project can be a meaningful method to address some of Connecticut's waste issues.

41. Have we had conversations with members of the Town?

The project has had discussions with the First Selectman to provide him with background information about the project and to work with Plainfield to provide the required Environmental Justice opportunity for the people of Plainfield to provide their thoughts and concerns.

42. Did we get a positive response regarding this project?

We have provided information about the project and asked for assistance and feedback in connection with the public participation efforts associated with the project.

43. Is this an incinerator?

The term incineration has multiple definitions, however in the world of waste elimination, it is generally used to mean burning of raw trash for the purpose of destruction and to yield an inert ash residue. Some of us may remember in our childhood a ventilated barrel in the back yard, where dad burned our household trash once a week. In some rural areas, we brought our trash to the town landfill, the face of which was constantly burning.

The current fleet of mass-burn municipal waste combustors in CT similarly burn raw MSW for the purpose of destruction and volume reduction since all of it is fed to the furnace of an incinerator that is fueled by natural gas continuously to reduce its volume to ash for landfilling while also producing some renewable electricity. This process is a form of wholesale raw MSW incineration.

In the SMART process, raw MSW is not simply combusted en-mass for the purpose of volume reduction. Many components of the raw MSW will be extracted (separated) out of the waste stream for recycling and reuse. Doing so removes these items from the waste stream completely. Similarly, food waste quality and other refined organics will be diverted to anaerobic digestion to be reformulated to beneficial renewable natural gas and liquified food grade carbon dioxide for sale. These recyclables, that would otherwise be incinerated in a traditional MSW to energy plant, are instead recovered from the raw waste for beneficial reuse rather than burned for the purpose of destruction.

The pre-separation processes proposed for SMART will produce a residual fuel stream called Refuse Derived Fuel (RDF), which is no longer raw MSW, but rather a purified, sized, and dried fuel. In Europe, RDF is marketed as a valuable fuel. That said, SMART does not propose to combust the RDF, but rather the project will alter its physical and chemical composition in two specially engineered gasification (or “pyrolysis” units) which will further remove inert solids and will alter the chemistry of the produced RDF stream.

The RDF is not combusted in the gasifiers (*i.e.*, there is no flame inside). The complex hydrocarbon chains that make up the RDF Fuel stream are broken into smaller (gaseous) molecules during the very common pyrolysis reaction, such as hydrogen (H₂), carbon monoxide (CO), methane (CH₄), nitrogen (N₂), carbon dioxide (CO₂) and water (H₂O) which are the same constituents, albeit in different proportions, as pipeline natural gas. This cleaned low BTU synthetic gas (Syngas) is a viable clean and valuable fuel source that SMART will combust in a boiler for energy recovery. No one would characterize the controlled combustion of clean syngas as incineration any more than a home heating system would be said to “incinerate” home heating oil or natural gas.

SMART is not “selling” this distinction – the differences between wholesale incineration of raw MSW and the physical and molecular disassembly of MSW components are scientifically factual. The proposed SMART process will not incinerate (or even combust) raw MSW for the purpose of destruction.

In the preamble and comments to EPA’s New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) applicable to MSW to energy plants, EPA explains that they are different technologies but decided to regulate both under the existing “incineration” rules since from a macro perspective, raw MSW comes in and renewable energy and residuals come out. That said, in 2024 EPA proposed and even finalized new emission requirements for all new, Large Municipal Waste Combustors (NLMWC’s) that no known US Mass Burn Facility has yet been required to meet. The SMART facility had to first identify technology capable of meeting these new Emission Standards and found gasification in the EU as the technology needed to meet them.

Bottom line – SMART gasification technology is guaranteed to meet EPA’s proposed air emission limits, now – traditional waste incinerators do not. The ability to markedly reduce air emissions to the environment is the reason SMART stresses that this technology is not your grandfather’s incineration plant.

44. What other towns did we consider?

We have reviewed possible development in a number of towns in Connecticut. Obviously, we have been looking at towns which already have a resource recovery authority facility operational in their

community. The O&G property in Plainfield was selected because of the ready availability of a number of key infrastructure elements for project development and the close highway access.

Attachment 4

Answers to Questions Received from the CT Zero Waste Coalition

1. Is gasification the technology your facility will implement to dispose of waste?

- **Do you confirm that this process uses heat to convert waste from a solid state to a gaseous state?**
- **Do you confirm that whatever toxics existed in the waste pre gasification, remain post gasification?**

SMART proposes two energy conversion technologies to convert waste. The video presented at the May 7 Meeting (a copy of which can be found at: <https://us.planengage.com/smartmswprocessing/page/News>) answers the first part of this question. Gasification and anaerobic digestion are offered as energy conversion technologies for renewable electricity and renewable natural gas production along with carbon capture. Waste is also processed for recyclables with an advanced material recovery facility.

Once pyrolysis is initiated, natural gas is no longer consumed in the pyrolysis chamber and gasification sustains itself through the exothermic heat it generates, while converting solid fuels into gaseous fuels.

SMART cannot confirm that all toxic substances present in the waste before gasification remain unchanged after the process. Gasification is a chemical transformation that converts solid fuel (waste) into a gaseous state, leaving behind precipitates (ash). The CT Zero Waste Coalition (CTZWC) is encouraged to view the video explaining the gasification process available on SMART's website at the link listed above.

Once converted into a gaseous state, the output undergoes a proprietary filtration system along with four additional industry-standard treatment processes to ensure that emissions meet both federal and state Air Pollution Control (APC) regulations. The resulting ash, which includes treatment chemicals, will be managed in compliance with environmental regulations—either disposed of at regulated facilities or used beneficially at permitted sites.

SMART is committed to operating a facility that complies with the U.S. EPA's New Source Performance Standards for emissions. For more detailed information, please refer to the CT DEEP air permit application available on the SMART website.

2. At the Waste Hearing on January 22, William Corvo said that this facility will be “in the middle of nowhere.” Will you clarify what he meant by that?

- **It sounds like he's calling the people of Plainfield disposable, will you comment on that?**

We presume that the hearing being referred to is the Joint Informational Session on Municipal Solid Waste convened by the Connecticut General Assembly's Energy and Technology and Environment Committees on January 22, 2025. Assuming that is the case, the comment referred

to the fact that this project is proposed in the middle of a 506-acre property that has been used as a sand and gravel facility. By proceeding in this fashion, the project will have substantial buffer space to eliminate negative impacts on property owners adjacent to the 506-acre space. The site was chosen with that in mind.

Mr. Corvo has never referred to the people of Plainfield as disposable at any time, including, but not limited to, that public meeting. SMART representatives, including Mr. Corvo, attended the May 7 Meeting to provide a full technical presentation of our new technologies and their substantial benefits and to listen to the people of Plainfield. We did this for nearly four hours in an effort to demonstrate that we care about the people in Plainfield and take their concerns seriously.

3. At that same hearing, William Corvo said the state needs 6 facilities like the one Smart Technology is proposing. According to his own calculations, that would cost 360 to 420 million. How does that solve our problem of increasing waste disposal costs and tipping fees?

- **Will tipping fees increase to pay for such expensive developments?**

The SMART Technologies Plant is a response to the CT DEEP Comprehensive Material Management Strategy's goal to develop next generation materials management technologies or "Eco-industrial parks [that] can co-locate multiple recycling / conversion processes." The assumption that the State of Connecticut would need approximately six facilities similar to the SMART Technology project is based on the amount of municipal solid waste that the state produces. Each project will have different costs, depending on a variety of factors, so no cost estimates have ever been prepared for six such facilities.

The issue of solving the "problem of increasing waste disposal costs and tipping fees" is under examination by CT DEEP and other State agencies as part of a comprehensive evaluation of Connecticut's waste processes. It should be noted that if nothing is done, Connecticut municipal solid waste will continue to be shipped out of state to landfills at an ever-increasing environmental and financial cost. SMART believes in-state facilities using modern technologies will substantially lower both negative environmental impacts and waste disposal costs.

4. Also in that session, William Corvo said that this facility is designed to process 9,000 tons of MSW per week. How many trucks will be hauling those 9,000 tons of MSW into Plainfield per week?

The facility is designed to process 9,000 tons per week. Delivery of the waste calls for this waste to be delivered Monday through Friday. The approximate truck traffic is 600 trucks per week, or 120 trucks per day.

- 5. Your letter to us says you will process 1,800 tons of MSW per day which comes to 12,600 tons per week. How will you process that much when your facility is meant to process 9,000 tons per week?**

The facility will receive 9,000 tons of MSW per week (1,800 tons – Monday through Friday – 5 x 1,800 = 9,000). The facility will process the waste seven days per week.

- 6. William Corvo mentioned the BHS sorting system that relies on Artificial Intelligence. We are increasingly switching to artificial intelligence in every job sector, replacing human beings as a workforce. Artificial Intelligence is known to consume a tremendous amount of water, our most valuable resource. How is this improving the circumstances of people in Plainfield or in the rest of Connecticut?**

The total consumption of water for the project will be approximately 27,000 gallons per day and will have no negative impact on the people of Plainfield.

- 7. Will you name all the projects that use the Valmet gasification system?**

During the May 7 Meeting, the SMART team made reference to a sister plant in Lahti, Finland. A video of the sister plant has been made available on the SMART project website. Additional references can be found for all Valmet projects at their website or by contacting Valmet.

- 8. How is the oxygen taken out of the tube containing the RDF?**

SMART assumes that this question pertains to the gasification plant which operates in a sub-stoichiometric environment. Oxygen is not taken out as it is added in the correct amount to the fuel flow by instrumentation and controls to assure gasification is taking place.

- 9. The solids that separate from the gas and turn into ash, does this go to landfills? If so, where? If not, where does it go?**

Three ash streams come from the Valmet gasification process:

- a. Bed ash
- b. Filter ash
- c. Bag house ash

SMART intends to seek beneficial reuse for the bed ash and baghouse ash streams. During plant startup, ash will be sent to a landfill. Simultaneously, samples will be taken to determine the appropriate beneficial use for the ash so ash streams can be redirected. The filter ash may go to landfill or may be blended at an approved beneficial reuse processing plant. There are no current contracts for a specific landfill.

10. Bill Corvo mentioned working with the state to borrow money and fund the project. Does that mean that the people of CT are paying for it?

The State of Connecticut is considering developing a “Connecticut Waste Authority” system. The entities that will own and operate the Connecticut Waste Authority projects will be quasi-governmental entities. This is anticipated to be similar to the Resource Recovery Authority method used to create Connecticut’s waste processing facilities. The Connecticut Waste Authority system would operate with Connecticut bond funding as opposed to revenue from tipping fees from the facility. Should the State proposal not move forward, we are prepared to develop the SMART project as a private facility.

11. Bill Corvo announced plans to take this technology throughout the country. This sounds very ambitious. Do you plan to make a lot of money off this system and ever-increasing waste production?

SMART Technology Systems, LLC is a private development company. It is in business to make money – it is not a public entity. Our proposed SMART technology provides a massive improvement in the proper handling of MSW with the lowest possible negative environmental impacts. SMART is providing a solution for MSW processing.

Put another way, SMART’s goal isn’t to profit from the existence of waste, but to help reduce its impact. The system is designed to provide a more sustainable and responsible way to manage waste that already exists—and unfortunately, is still growing globally. While the business needs to be financially viable to operate and scale, our success is directly tied to helping communities and industries become more efficient, circular, and less dependent on harmful waste practices.

12. What was the 1250 tons per week that Bill Corvo mentioned at the MSW session in January?

1285 tons per day may have been a reference to 9000 tons per week that will be processed divided by seven days of processing.

13. How is the gas filtered after the heating process?

After exiting the gasifier, the synthesis gas is cooled and cleaned through ceramic filters. For more information, please see the video on the SMART website explaining the gasification filtration process and synthesis gas filtration process.

14. Will you break down what happens in the steam turbine?

The turbine converts thermal energy to mechanical energy. The steam expands and cools as it travels through the steam turbine and turns rotating blades connected to a rotor which turns the electrical generator.

15. Because your business model depends on waste production to be profitable, do you think that your operations will set us back from more sustainable solutions to our waste crisis like waste prevention, source separation, composting, reusing, repairing, and extended producer responsibility?

The SMART project is designed to provide a comprehensive solution to MSW processing maximizing recycling and including anaerobic digestion for source separated food and biogenic material. It completely embraces source separation, composting, and reusing. Its recycling system provides a methodology which achieves these goals even when consumers do not engage in food separation and other required recycling.

16. It appears that you are selling gasification as a method distinct from incineration.

- **If Gasification is not incineration, why are Gasification and pyrolysis facilities regulated as "waste combustion units" under the federal Clean Air Act?**

At the time that the Municipal Waste Combustion regulations were written by the Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), they did not contain specific rules for gasification technologies. Gasification technologies were later included into subsequent revisions to those regulations along with combustion technologies. This was explained at the May 7 Meeting. While the EPA has issued an advanced notice of public rulemaking for pyrolysis/gasification, we believe the specific definition referenced is contained in the current rules found in 40 C.F.R. § 60.51b.

SMART's engineering team is familiar with these existing regulations and is also monitoring the EPA's efforts to make a distinction between pyrolysis and gasification versus combustion in written determination letters for other solid waste fuels.

- **Do you know that the European Union recognizes gasification as a form of incineration?**

SMART is not developing a MSW recycling and energy conversion project in the European Union. However, our understanding of the regulations is that they are similar to the U.S. but with the exception that purified synthesis gas separates gasification from incineration.

- **How much waste will your facility need to be profitable?**

Please review the submitted air permit application for the planned incoming waste flow rate of 468,000 tons per year or the 9000 tons per week. SMART is currently building the plant model around this foundational number.

17. How much waste will be hauled in from outside of Plainfield?

The annual MSW to be processed is 468,000 tons (9,000 per week x 52). Plainfield's annual MSW is approximately 9,700 tons (January 2024 estimate). The balance of the waste to be processed is 458,300 tons per year, which would come from outside of Plainfield.

18. How does your facility charge for your services?

The SMART plant will apply a tipping fee for all acceptable waste delivered to the facility.

19. Gasification facilities in Europe rely on high tipping fees and public subsidies, will this be the case with your facility?

SMART is not developing a MSW recycling and energy conversion project in the European Union. SMART anticipates that its project will help lower tipping fees.

20. Have you negotiated a tax stabilization agreement with the town of Plainfield?

- **Is this publicly available?**
- **Can you break it down for us?**

We have not yet finalized a tax stabilization agreement with the town of Plainfield.

21. Can you break down for us how gasification produces less air emissions than other forms of incineration?

First and foremost, the syngas will be cooled and cleaned with ceramic filters prior to thermal oxidation. In addition, gasification is a sub stoichiometric, exothermic chemical reaction operating at a considerably lower temperature than mass burn facilities. The SMART gasification plant will operate between 1380°F and 1560°F. The process is oxygen limited which promulgates the exothermic chemical conditions. Unlike mass burn facilities that utilize excess air, gasification facilities use an oxygen limited environment where significantly less nitrogen oxides are produced due to no excess air or combustion. Excess air supports combustion where less air than is required to support combustion supports gasification. Typical traveling grate mass burn plant achieve 1800°F on and directly above the grate while temperatures in the upper vapor space reach 2200°F or greater.

For more information, please see the air permit application for the facility, which can be found at: <https://us.planengage.com/smartmswprocessing/page/News>.

22. Are you aware of the closure of Thermoselect, a gasification facility in Germany, for failing to meet the EU's emissions standards?

- **How will your facility be different from Thermoselect?**

SMART is not aware of the closure of the Thermoselect plant, nor is it aware of the specifics of that facility's technology. SMART, however, anticipates that its project will establish new Best Available Control Technology (BACT) for Waste to Energy (WtE) plants. In so doing, it will not only meet existing emissions standards, it may very well set the new emission standard other plants will need to meet going forward.

23. Why do you call refuse derived fuel a renewable energy source when it comes from waste made from fossil fuels?

This is a mischaracterization – Refuse Derived Fuel (RDF) is derived from Municipal Solid Waste (refuse), not fossil fuels.

- **Does it require fossil fuels in waste to be a fuel source?**

No. In this case, the RDF is only derived from delivered MSW.

24. Will you provide a list of all byproduct pollutants from your proposed operations?

Please see the air permit application for all appropriate emissions both anticipated and regulated. That can be found at: <https://us.planengage.com/smartmswprocessing/page/News>.

25. Will you describe how all byproduct pollutants will be disposed of and/or recycled?

Please review the videos available on the SMART website. They can be found at: <https://us.planengage.com/smartmswprocessing/page/News>.

26. Does your operation produce byproducts such as ash, slag or tar?

- **Where and how are you disposing of these byproducts?**
- **How are you monitoring the toxics in these?**
- **Will you need to landfill any of this? If so, where?**

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27. Is there a reliable market for all recycled items?

The project will have contracts with metal, glass, and electronics recyclers.

- **Can you guarantee these items are not contaminated with PFAS, toxics, and/or heavy metals? If so, how?**

There is no technology, including landfilling of MSW, that can make such guarantees.

28. Are you testing for PFAS, toxics, and/or heavy metals in the digestate from your anaerobic digester?

We do not propose testing the digestate from our anaerobic digester for these contaminants. We will be using the digestate as alternate daily cover at the landfill and our primary strategy for managing these substances is to remove as much as possible from the waste stream before it enters the digester.

29. On your website, it says that the material can be used as an Alternative Daily Cover or beneficial reuse in other applications. Will you please elaborate? What specifically would the product of Anaerobic Digestion be used for?

The SMART facility aerobic digestion system is designed to produce compost with a reduced methanogenic potential. The compost volume reduces to 35% moisture and 65% dry solids with very little remaining potential to produce methane in a landfill. Future plans may include further processing of a portion of the compost for soil amendment.

- **Do you have a reliable market for the Anaerobic Digestion products?**

Yes. Renewable natural gas (RNG) and food grade CO₂ are both marketable products.

30. Is there combustion of any kind in your facility?

Synthesis gas is cooled and filtered and then sent to a thermal oxidizer for heat and steam production.

- **It looks like there are 4 possible points of burning, can you describe how many burning circumstances there are in your facility? In other words, are you burning something and where are you burning it?**

Please refer to the air permit application, which identifies all the emission sources. This can be found at: <https://us.planengage.com/smartmswprocessing/page/News>.

- After the waste is heated to create gas, is the gas then combusted?

Yes.

- **How many turbines are associated with this facility?**

One steam turbine.

- **How do you power the turbines? Is burning fuel a power source?**

As has been explained in greater detail above, after the refuse-derived fuel undergoes pyrolysis, the resultant synthesis gas is burned to heat a steam boiler that will power the turbines.

- **Materials in the trash contain oxygen, so how can you guarantee there is no oxygen in the gasification chamber?**

Please note that gasification is sub-stoichiometric and uses limited oxygen, not zero oxygen.

31. Beyond air emissions, how do you monitor the toxics in recycled products?

The toxics in recycled products, if any, are not monitored.

32. How do you monitor toxics in the refuse derived fuel?

RDF is processed for gasification and does not require analysis.

33. What distinguishes this facility from any other Refuse Derived Fuel facility?

As indicated in the May 7 Meeting, this facility contains new technology that has never been combined in this fashion in the United States. We are not certain how to compare it to “any other Refuse Derived Fuel facility.”

34. Does your facility require more or less energy to operate than it produces?

The parasitic load required to operate the plant is significantly less than the plant’s gross output. It will therefore be a net generator of electricity.

- **How do you determine that?**

The electric revenue meter.

35. Are there additional emissions produced by the energy needed to run the facility?

Please review the air permit application for this data, which can be found at:
<https://us.planengage.com/smartmswprocessing/page/News>.

36. Can you provide precise data on the emissions we can expect from your facility?

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<https://us.planengage.com/smartmswprocessing/page/News>.

37. Your website features graphs that need clarification.

- **In the Smart vs existing CT Resource Recovery Facility emissions graph, which existing CT RRF facility are you referencing? If the answer is an aging or closed incinerator like MIRA, that is not a fair comparison.**

In addition to the closed MIRA facility, TRC also compared the individual Title V Air Permits for the Bridgeport, Lisbon, Bristol and Preston plants, however, each facility has a different capacity in tons per day, and the individual Permits in some cases utilized different emission

units, making them difficult to directly compare. For this reason, TRC converted all units for each pollutant presented in the bar charts to comparable units of lbs of air pollutant per ton of MSW processed.

In addition, it should be noted that the SMART facility is designed to meet the Federal EPA's new source performance standards.

38. You have mentioned that your facility will cost 600-700 million to construct, how does a project so expensive alleviate CT's increasing waste disposal costs?

Connecticut's waste disposal costs are increasing on an annual basis. This is due in part to the need to ship Connecticut waste to out-of-state landfills. The transportation costs are paid for by increasing "tipping fees" which are the payment per-ton charged for processing or landfilling MSW. Currently Connecticut is shipping more than 1,000,000 tons to out-of-state landfills.

The fact that the four remaining resource recovery projects operating in Connecticut are each more than thirty years old and use older unacceptable technologies with unacceptably high emission rates will also increase cost to replace these projects.

39. You also say that it will cost millions of dollars to upgrade existing facilities. How does that compare with the 600-700 million to develop yours?

Back-end air pollution control APC upgrades are costly endeavors, they do not always result in emissions levels as low as new technologies, they do not increase diversion rates, recycling rates, and they do not qualify facilities as energy conversion facilities. Thus, even if such upgrades are slightly cheaper, the benefits of the new technology SMART is proposing outweighs any slight increase in cost.

40. How much will this facility cost to maintain and run yearly?

The estimated operating cost for the facility has not yet been finalized.

41. How do you expect to recover the investment and maintenance costs?

The SMART project has been intentionally tailored to provide strong cash flow by leveraging multiple long-term revenue streams from energy, tipping, recycling revenues, renewable fuels, renewable energy credits, and tax credits.

42. How long do you expect your facility to run efficiently before repairs or updates are needed?

The facility receives perpetual maintenance and service. It is anticipated that such maintenance will occur two times per year.

43. How will you know the amount of emissions your facility will produce at any given time?

Continuous emissions monitoring equipment will be in place.

- **In other words, how will you monitor this, and how often?**

Continuously through continuous emission monitoring systems.

- **How can the public access this information?**

Through CT DEEP.

- **Will there be fence line monitoring?**

Fence line monitoring is not anticipated at this time.

44. How do you determine the emissions data you report on your website, considering you've yet to operate such a facility? Are you using the best case scenario, because data from previous and current gasification facilities is uncertain?

Original equipment manufacturer data is generated from sister plants while pollution control systems have been engineered and guaranteed to meet emission standards by the equipment suppliers. Thus, such data is not "uncertain." Moreover, such data will be evaluated by CT DEEP as it examines the project's air permit application.

45. Plainfield is already home to a super fund site, is there a bonding agreement in the event that this facility is not financially viable?

Not at this time, however, the Connecticut Siting Council and the CT DEEP have the authority to require such bonding.

46. Public funds are necessarily spent all throughout this process, to review your permit applications, to hold hearings like this one, and to monitor emissions from your operations. Does your proposal consume a lot of public resources that might be otherwise allocated for waste reduction efforts?

No. Our proposed development is required to follow Connecticut law. The law requires the submission and processing of permits and the holding of public hearings. The permit applications require payments of fees at the time of submission to help pay for the processing of such applications.

The successful permitting and development of the SMART project would provide a major improvement in MSW recycling and processing for Connecticut.

47. Will you have to gasify recyclables in order to have enough high carbon material to generate electricity?

No.

- **If this is the case, doesn't this negate renewable energy claims, because the fuel you need to make fuel is made of fossil fuels?**

The goal is to separate and recycle recyclable materials, not gasify them.

- **Does the environment fare better from recycling recyclables or gasifying them?**

The environment fares better from recycling, which is why the SMART has spent significant time and effort into developing its material handling system so that additional recyclable materials will be removed from the MSW waste stream, along with organic materials.

- **Is it true that gasification produces much less energy than traditional incineration?**

No, the gross energy output would be similar.

48. Are you aware of gasification operational and economic failures leading to closures here in the U.S. and in Europe?

SMART is aware of some facility closures, and understands that there are numerous gasification technologies present in the marketplace. As stated above there are numerous technologies or types of gasifiers. None of the projects referenced are from the SMART OEM Valmet.

49. Your website boasts that it will fall beneath EPA accepted emissions limits, but these limits are not based on health standards, they are based on what is achievable by incineration facilities. It would be unwise to set any safe limit on toxics above zero. Can you comment on this?

The Federal EPA standards as well as the CT DEEP standards are based upon environmental health and public health studies. Regulatory limits are not based upon "what is achievable by incinerators."

50. Your website also boasts SMART MSW Technologies estimated "stack emissions" from "main boiler" to equal 281.50 lbs CO₂e per One Million British Thermal Units (MMbtu). Are you aware that a coal power plant can do better than that with emissions at 205-250 lbs CO₂ per MMBtu.?

As a clarification, Greenhouse Gas equivalent (CO₂e) emissions are generally expressed in units of equivalent metric tons (tonnes) per year emitted. In this calculus, a metric ton emission of 1 tonne of N₂O equates to 256 tonnes of CO₂e, 1 tonne of CH₄ equates to 28 tonnes of CO₂e and 1

tonne of CO₂ equates to 1 tonne of CO₂e. In the main stack, all of the carbon present within the projected syngas will be fully oxidized to CO₂. As with the range for CO₂ from coals with different carbon content referenced, pyrolysis in the gasifiers produces syngas prior to thermal oxidation including the combustibles carbon monoxide (CO), methane (CH₄), ethane (C₂H₆), propane (C₃H₈) and perhaps other hydrocarbons. This description is consistent with synthesis gas composition sampling from the Lahti, Finland facility. Note that these carbonaceous gases are common clean fuels – meaning they combust very readily when exposed to thermal degradation and oxygen. In the SMART Process, these components of synthesis gas burn out very completely to CO₂, at a 1:1 ratio of CO₂e. Landfill emissions from the same waste will emit significantly more methane and CO₂e than the SMART facility.

In addition, in contrast to the existing CT mass burn fleet, the SMART facility proposes to divert a significant portion of its organic waste to anaerobic digestion, which will produce renewable natural gas (to replace an equivalent amount of fossil natural gas), and can be used in CT homes for cooking and heating. In that process, SMART proposes to capture all of the CO₂ generated from Anaerobic Digestion, which will be liquified and sold in the commercial market as food grade CO₂. Overall, when comparing SMART's CO₂e emissions to landfilling or to other facilities, SMART's proposed project will produce less CO₂e than any existing MSW technology in CT.

51. Another proposal for New Haven and North Haven called AB/Eco Park made the same first of its kind claims that you make, and that proposal was denied due to public resistance and insufficient responses to requests for information. Will you provide a list of any other first of its kind facilities like yours?

While the gasifier is not the first of its kind and the anaerobic digestion processing plant is not the first of its kind, and the material Recovery Plant is not the first of its kind, the co-sited or integrated package of technologies is the first of its kind. The original equipment manufacturers can be contacted for details on their equipment and offer appropriate reference lists.

52. Lew Dubuque from the National Recycling Association says that we are not in a waste crisis, that 40% of trash going out of state is below the national average. He also says that the majority of the trash is transported on rail with very low greenhouse gas emissions. Could trucks hauling MSW from all over the state to your facility potentially emit more greenhouse gases than rail cars to other states?

This is not a discrepancy, but rather a difference of opinion. Mr. Dubuque feels that out-of-state landfilling is a better methodology for handling Connecticut's MSW problem. SMART believes that Connecticut can evolve MSW processing within the State which will provide a responsible solution that creates higher recycling and substantially lower emissions. This would require six processing facilities like the SMART project handle Connecticut's MSW in-state. Transporting Connecticut's MSW to out-of-state landfills without using existing recycling systems produces substantial amounts of greenhouse gases (especially methane).

53. Lew Dubuque also says that we don't need another MSW management facility in CT while William Corvo says we need 6. Can you explain this discrepancy?

Please see the answer to #52 above.

54. What did William Corvo mean when he suggested that the state borrow money and that he wants to work with the State?

- **Does he want taxpayers to fund this project?**

The State of Connecticut has provided Resource Recovery Authority projects with funds from State bonding for the development of existing waste processing facilities. The State of Connecticut has been discussing creation of quasi-governmental Connecticut Waste Authorities to undertake future developments. If the State does not move forward with this approach, projects would be designed and built using private investors for these developments without taxpayer funding.