Subcommittee Meeting – April 24, 2007 Construction and Demolition Debris Management

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The C&D debris subcommittee met for about 30 minutes on 4/24/07 after the main portion of the Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee meeting. Those present included:

- Stan Gormley, CTDEP
- Elaine Coelho. CTDEP
- Carey Hurlburt, CTDEP
- Frank Gagliardo, CTDEP
- William Sigmund, CTDEP
- Patricia Cam, CTDEP
- Faith Gavin Kuhn, CCIA
- John Powers, The ReCONNstruction Center
- John Pizzimenti, USA Hauling and Recycling
- John Gundling, IRN
- Ken Ouellette, Incorporated Industries
- David Bodendorf, CRRA
- Winston Averill, SCRRA
- Donald Musial, Wheelabrator

The group decided not to reiterate the issues as outlined in the plan and instead broke into a discussion of some of the observations and concerns people have. The discussion was short, lasting no more than a $\frac{1}{2}$ hour.

The following comments were made:

- Aggregate is not an issue. Asphalt, brick, and concrete seem to be widely recycled without a lot of unnecessary disposal in landfills.
- There is concern with that component of the C&D waste stream that may contain lead and asbestos.
- The construction would rather recycle because in the long run, it is cheaper.
- C&D recycling is revenue driven.
- Should CT consider waste bans as MA has implemented?
- The green building movement and the LEED rating system make act as a catalyst for more C&D recycling, especially for new construction.
- Our permitting process is expensive and lengthy and acts as a barrier.
- Concerns about the long-term prospects for continued out-of-state landfilling.
- Concerns about imposing new mandates.

Next Scheduled Meeting: Friday, May 18th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., CTDEP Headquarters, Room 4B at 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT. Purpose of meeting: (1) identify which C&D strategies should CTDEP implement first and (2) develop a work plan for the next 12 to 18 months.