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Solid Waste/Recycling/Judicial/Administrati ve Developments: 2024 Arkansas Solid Waste Association of North America Annual Meeting Presentation

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The Arkansas Chapter of the Solid Waste Association of North America held its annual meeting on August 29th at the Winthrop Rockefeller Institute Center in Morrilton, Arkansas.

I undertook a presentation titled:

Solid Waste/Recycling/Judicial/Administrative Developments. ("Presentation").

The Presentation addressed the following topics:

- Authorizing the Sale of Cannabis Waste: State of Washington Legislation
- Lithium-Ion Batteries: New Hampshire Legislature Passes Legislation Prohibiting Placement in Solid
 Waste Landfills or Incinerators
- Tennessee Waste Reduction Recycling Act: Legislation Introduced Establishing Producer
 Responsibility Requirements
- Reconditioning/Used Drum Management: Addressing U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Advance
 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking
- Solar Panels/Lithium Batteries/RCRA: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Announces Plan to Craft/Modify Universal Waste Regulations
- Lithium Battery Recycling Regulatory Status: US Environmental Protection Agency Issues
 Memorandum Addressing Frequently Asked Questions
- Transportation/Hazardous Materials: U.S. Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration Interpretive Letter Addressing Lithium Batteries
- PFOA/PFOS/CERCLA: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Final Rule Designating as Hazardous Substances
- PFAS/CERCLA: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Enforcement Discretion and Settlement Policy
- PFAS/CERCLA: Recycled Materials Association (Formerly Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries, Inc.)
 Files Judicial Challenge to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Hazardous Substance Designation
- PFAS/CERCLA: Associated General Contractors of America, Inc./National Waste & Recycling Association/Chamber File Judicial Challenge to Hazardous Substance Designation
- PFAS/CERCLA (Superfund) Liability: U.S. Senator John Boozman (Arkansas) Legislation Exempting Noncontributing Industries/Municipalities

- RCRA Corrosivity Hazardous Waste Characteristic: Federal Appellate Court Addresses Denial of Petition Requesting Expansion
- Variance from Classification as RCRA Solid Waste: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Grants
 Tucson, Arizona, Facility Petition
- National Enforcement and Compliance Document: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Announces
 Initiatives for Years 2024-2027
- Illegal Dumping/Environmental Justice: U.S. Department of Justice and City of Houston, Texas, Enter into Settlement
- Refrigerants/Air Enforcement: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Colorado Springs Scrap
 Metal Recycling Facility Enter into Consent Agreement
- OSHA Enforcement: Houston, Texas, Glass Recycling Company Proposed Penalty Assessment
- OSHA Enforcement: Franksville, Wisconsin Disposal/Recycling Company Proposed Penalties for Alleged Violations
- Hazardous Waste Enforcement: Arkansas Department of Energy & Environment Division of Environmental Quality and Magnolia Fuel Cell/Coated Fabric Product Manufacturing Facility Enter into Consent Administrative Order
- PFAS/CERCLA: New Mexico Department of Justice Files Contribution Claim Against the U.S.
 Departments of the Air Force/Army
- Single-Use Plastic Packaging/Buffalo River (New York): New York Attorney General Files Judicial Action Against PepsiCo, Inc., Alleging Environmental Harm
- PFAS/Clean Water Act Enforcement: Michigan Attorney General Files Action Against Grand Rapids
 Airport for Alleged Contamination
- Federal/State Environmental Criminal Enforcement
- Electronic Waste/Criminal Enforcement: New York Attorney General Announces Convictions of Recycling Companies/Individuals for Alleged Illegal Processing/Disposal
- Medical Waste/Environmental Criminal Enforcement: Maryland Special Medical Waste Incinerator
 Enters into Guilty Plea Addressing State Charges
- Environmental Criminal Enforcement/Solid Waste: New Hampshire Attorney General Announces
 Indictment of Grafton County Construction and Demolition Debris Facility
- Underground Storage Tank Fund/California State Water Resources Control Board: Los Angeles
 Environmental Consulting Firm Enters into Settlement Addressing Alleged Inflated Invoices
- Medical Waste/Hazardous Waste Enforcement: California Attorney General and California Hospital
 Organization/Health Plan Enter into Settlement
- Criminal Enforcement/Beverage Container Recycling Program: California Attorney General Files
 Felony Complaint Against Eight Individuals for Alleged Fraud
- Analysis of MSW Landfill Tipping Fees/2023: Environmental Research & Education Foundation Report
- Solid Waste Removal Service/Temporary Waste Projects: Carroll County, Arkansas, Circuit Court
 Complaint Filed Alleging City of Holiday Island Unconstitutional Monopoly
- Flow Control/Construction and Demolition Waste: Washington Appellate Court Addresses Challenge to King County Code
- Interstate Waste Movement/Municipal Ordinance: Shreveport, Louisiana, Prohibits Transportation of Waste Collected in the City Out of State
- Environmental Services Agreement: Federal Court Addresses Limitation of Liability Clause
- Alternative Daily Cover/Mississippi County Class I Landfill: Request to Use dried Drop Box Steel
 Sludge
- Arkansas Regional Solid Waste Management District: Arkansas Appellate Court Addresses Fee
 Assessment Issue
- Arkansas Recycling Tax Credit: Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment Division of Environmental Quality Update

 Arkansas Scrap/Recycling Personnel Moves: Jack Grundfest Promoted to Expanded Role of President/Chief Executive Officer of Alter Trading

A copy of the Presentation can be downloaded <u>here</u>.