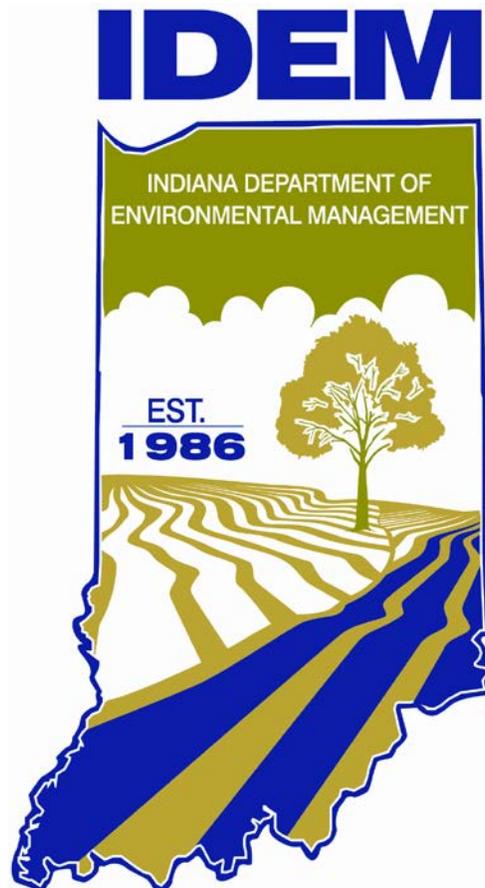


# Indiana Department of Environmental Management

## FY 2012 Annual Report



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Indiana Recycling Market Development Program**

The Recycling Market Development Program (RMDP) established under IC 4-23-5.5-14 provides financial and technical assistance to help Indiana businesses increase recyclable material manufacturing capacity, as well as increase the use of recycled content products. Promoting the concept of collecting, using, and producing recycled materials in Indiana is a means of supporting the agency's initiatives of job creation and economic stability leading to environmental stewardship of natural resources.

### ***Suspension of Recycling Grant and Loan Programs***

As Indiana tax revenues decreased substantially in the fall of 2008, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) temporarily suspended many state-funded grant and loan programs for school and local government recycling and pollution prevention projects. The RMDP, however, received funding for a second year.

In June of 2011, Indiana released a total of \$500,000 for grants to aid private businesses to purchase equipment specifically needed to remanufacture recyclable materials into finished products or industrial feed stocks. The following seven grants were awarded at the November 17, 2011 Recycling Market Development Board meeting.

- **Bremen Castings Inc. in Marshall County** - \$100,000 for an iron delivery system, as part of a \$3.4 million project to expand its iron melting furnace operations. The project will create 36 new jobs. The new system will divert 12,000 tons of steel from the waste stream each year.
- **Nature's Wood LLC in Elkhart County** - \$100,000 for a compression baler that will be part of a new \$2.2 million wood fiber recycling facility, creating 20 new jobs and diverting 18,500 tons of wood waste from the waste stream each year.
- **Plastic Recycling Inc. in Marion County** - \$100,000 for equipment to recycle plastic waste into new plastic pellets. The equipment will divert 5,049 tons of plastic from the waste stream each year. It is part of a \$508,900 expansion project that will create 15 new jobs.
- **Heritage-Crystal Clean LLC, Marion County** - \$50,000 for a new processing system, as part of a \$47 million project to expand the company's used oil refining operations, creating eight new jobs and diverting 50 million gallons of waste oil from the waste stream each year.
- **Perpetual Recycling Solutions LLC, Wayne County** - \$50,000 for sorters to be installed, as part the company's \$30 million project to retrofit the former aluminum processing plant into a plastic bottle recycling facility, creating 50 new jobs and diverting 50,300 tons of plastics and aluminum from the waste stream each year.
- **Ryobi Die Casting USA, Shelby County** - \$50,000 for equipment to process dross waste in-house and recover 1,200 tons of aluminum from the waste stream each year. It is part of a \$280,000 expansion project that will create 25 new jobs.
- **Treadstone LLC, St. Joseph County** - \$50,000 for tire buffing machines, as part of the company's \$125,000 investment in operations to convert solid core tires into rubber mulch. Ten new jobs will be created and 2,000 tons of waste will be diverted each year.

Funding for the Program comes from the Solid Waste Management Fee--a \$0.50 per ton charge on final disposal of solid waste at a landfill or incinerator. The Solid Waste Management Fund receives \$0.25, and the other half of the Solid Waste Management Fee is deposited in a separate fund: the Recycling Promotion Assistance Fund, which supports the

Recycling Market Development Program. Funding decisions for the RMDP projects are approved by the Recycling Market Development Board.

The total revenue received for the Recycling Promotion Assistance Fund for FY 2012 was \$3,385,243, including Solid Waste Management Fee allocations of \$2,653,146 and \$732,098 in loan repayments.

### **Summary**

The Office of Compliance Support staff continue to further recycling's environmental and economic benefits by offering to help all Hoosiers through technical and financial assistance: whether businesses wishing to set-up shop or citizens needing guidance to find sellers and processors of recyclable goods.

For more information about recycling in Indiana and recycling resources, please visit the *Recycle Indiana* Web site at: [www.recycle.in.gov](http://www.recycle.in.gov).