

Atlantic Coast Recycling Awarded Five-Year Contract to Operate the Ocean County Processing Facility

LAKESWOOD, N.J. – Atlantic Coast Recycling announced today that they have been awarded a five-year contract to operate and maintain the Ocean County Recyclable Materials Processing Facility in Lakewood, New Jersey. Atlantic Coast Recycling is responsible for furnishing all labor, materials and equipment necessary for the operation and maintenance of the facility and as well as the marketing for all the recyclables processed. The contract also includes the operation of the Southern Recycling Center in Stafford Township, New Jersey.



The Ocean County Recyclable Materials Processing Facility is the largest County owned recycling facility in New Jersey, and one of the largest County owned facilities in the United States. The facility receives and processes over 80,000 tons per year of recyclables, from every Municipality in the County of Ocean.

Ernest J. Kuhlwein, Director of Ocean County Solid Waste Management, commented on the announcement, "The County looks forward to working with Atlantic Coast Recycling and seeing what improvements they will bring to the County Recycling facility. ACR was selected for several reasons we considered advantageous to the County, in addition their proposal offered the highest financial return to the County and its Municipalities."

“Working together with the County of Ocean, we intend to maintain the status of the facility as one of the premier recycling facilities in the state,” remarked Chris Riviello, operations managing partner of Atlantic Coast Recycling. “Our goal is to tweak the systems to produce the best quality recyclables for market and to achieve a high financial return to the Municipalities in the County.”

Since taking over the facility, Atlantic Coast Recycling has made significant changes to the operation, including almost doubling the number of workers. “One of the first changes we made was to increase the number of line sorters and incorporate QC personnel into the mix,” said Marc Rudman, plant manager. “We strongly believe in a proactive approach to recycling, and the only way you can guarantee good quality is by having someone check the material, and that’s why we added QC people on the line.”

Atlantic Coast Recycling is the largest independent processor in New Jersey, and one of the largest in the Country. In addition to the Ocean County location, they operate two locations in Monmouth County and two locations in Passaic. With the addition of the Ocean County site, Atlantic Coast Recycling processes on average 30,000 tons per month of recyclables, while employing almost 300 people.