# Pennsylvania Recycling Markets Center RMC

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# RMC - Mission

"...to expand and develop more secure and robust markets for recovered materials by helping to overcome market barriers and inefficiencies."



#### Pennsylvania's recycling industry

- 3,247 recycling and reuse entities
- \$18.4 billion gross annual sales
- 81,000 employees
- \$2.9 billion annual payroll



# RMC - What and Where

- DEP funded
- 501(c)(3) non-profit
- 9-member board plus 4 ex-officio members
- www.parmc.org

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## **RMC** - Priorities

- Assistance Sectors
  - Economic Development
  - Workforce Development
  - Technical Assistance
  - R&D, Commercialization
- Priority Materials



# **RMC** Priority Materials

- Organics (Compostables)Plastics
- Glass
- Tires
- Electronic Discards



### RMC – Significance of Priority Materials

<u>Material</u>	Approx. Weight	Percentage
<ul> <li>Organics</li> </ul>	3.2 mil ton	34.2%
<ul> <li>Plastics</li> </ul>	1.06 mil ton	11.3%
• Glass	0.3 mil ton	3.0%
Tires		

• Total Comp. 4.6 mil ton 48.5%

(Source, RW Beck Waste Composition Study, 2001)



## RMC - Initiatives

- Economic Development Forums
- Recycled Materials Processing Center of Excellence
- Recycling Markets Infrastructure Development Grant (PaDEP)
- Partnership with Western GBA
- Manufactured Sand Filtration Media Program



### RMC – Glass

- Wastewater Filtration Media
- LCL Industries, Inc.
- Confidential Business -Glass, Ceramic Tile
- PennDOT, glass concrete, student co-op







#### RMC - Plastics

• Cougle's - Everlast Plastic Lumber





### RMC - Compostables

- Redner's Warehouse Markets
- Giant Supermarkets
- GIS Mapping -Supply Chain Program







#### RMC - Tires

- Air Products & Chemicals Inc.
- Economic Development Forum







#### RMC – Electronic Discards

• RMC Resources, ISRI, & Forums







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