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CDRA Activities Expand to Better Serve Industry



CDRA Members at Sanexen's New Facility in Quebec

By now all CDRA members

should have received their dues renewal notices for 2022. Everyone knows the CDRA is the one organization that promotes and leads the construction materials recycling industry, but just what does that mean?

First off, the CDRA gets businesses like yours a seat at the table, and its voice heard. The issues facing individual C&D recyclers overlap tremendously across the country, and the CDRA works at the federal and sometimes state level to solve those issues. To that end, the association is looking to add to its advocacy efforts by hiring a DCbased lobbyist.

Additionally, the CDRA is working on the following efforts:

- The final draft of an updated Recycled Concrete White Paper will be out by the end of this year. By weight, concrete is the most recycled material in North America, but that doesn't mean the sector doesn't need all the support it can get.
- A new addition to the Risk Management Committee is a Human Resources subgroup comprised of HR practitioners at C&D companies. The discussions focus on several points, from hiring challenges to how to now handle marijuana in the workplace. Let the CDRA office know if you want your HR person involved in these meetings.
- For few reasons, including strong interest from shingle manufacturers, the Shingle Recycling Committee is meeting regularly again and plans to hold a Shingle Recycling Forum next year. End markets are expanding for this valuable material, including a strong movement to close the loop on shingles. GAF has been a CDRA member for a while, and shingle manufacturers Malarkey, Owens Corning and CertainTeed recently joined or are joining the CDRA. We will work hard to bring shingle recycling back in full force.
- Drywall recycling is another sector the CDRA is expanding its efforts on. A charter has been developed for a new Gypsum Recycling Committee, which plans to hold its first meeting early next year. While traditional end markets such as agriculture remain steady, there has been a recent push to close the loop on drywall. The CDRA will be working with all stakeholders, including the drywall manufacturers, to help organize the recycling infrastructure for this material, including updating our Gypsum Recycling Protocol document and developing standards for the various end markets for gypsum. Please let the CDRA office know if you want your company to be part of this committee.
- As you can see, end markets remain a major focus for the CDRA, and our End Markets Committee continues to be very active and popular. The committee's monthly meetings cover various material topics and provide reports on the CDRA's ongoing research efforts. We try to bring the latest information on new C&D end markets to this committee, which is the largest group in the association. It has attracted a lot of attention, and recently Geocycle, which is the research arm of LafargeHolcim, joined the CDRA to work with recyclers on using several C&D products in cement production. This is an exciting development that could reverberate throughout the entire cement industry to the benefit of C&D recyclers.

All of this new activity provides the industry – and particularly CDRA members – tremendous benefits, but is stretching the association's limited resources. We recently increased dues to cover additional expenses, but those dues remain lower than any other organization related to the industry. The CDRA is the only organization dedicated to the handling and recovery of construction materials, and we are here to serve businesses like yours. If you have any questions, contact Executive Director William Turley at <u>turley@cdrecycling.org</u>.

CDRA Holiday Schedule

With the holiday season upon us, we want to let you know the CDRA office will be closed on the following dates:

- November 25 & 26
- December 23, 24 & 31

If you have questions while the office is closed, please email <u>info@cdrecycling.org</u> and we will respond as soon as possible.

C&D World 2022 Is a Can't-Miss Event!



Exhibit sales have opened for C&D World

2022, taking place March 13-15 at the Loews Atlanta Hotel. Vendors and suppliers will fill the intimate Exhibit Hall with the latest offerings for the C&D industry.

The event is attended by industry leaders and provides the best opportunity for information exchange and networking in the sector. Because C&D recycling and disposal are regional businesses, you will have the opportunity to openly swap knowledge with similar companies without fear of losing your competitive edge.

Registration opens soon. Please monitor the CDRA's website for details.

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Learn More about C&D World

CDRA Awards: Recognizing Excellence in C&D

Submit Your Nominations by January 10, 2022

Applications for the annual CDRA Awards program are now available! The following awards are given to individuals and companies in C&D recycling who have made significant contributions to the industry:

- Construction & Demolition Recycling Hall of Fame
- CDRA Recycler of the Year
- CDRA Member of the Year
- President's Award
- Best Practices in Safety Management Program

Nominations are due **January 10, 2022**. Winners are determined by the CDRA Awards Committee. The awards will be presented at C&D World 2022.

Learn More and Submit an Application

CDRA Member Spotlight:

Ron Richey CEO, Staton Companies Springfield, OR



Typical structural demolition recycling: Metals, larger dimensional wood, concrete, re-usable hydraulic, electrical and pneumatic equipment. We don't share our volumes but approximately 20 percent of our annual volume by tons are landfill disposal fees.

How did you get started in the business?

I owned an excavation business and was approached by Staton to go to work for them in 1983 (during the Jimmy Carter recession). I accepted their offer.







What are the biggest challenges in your market and C&D recycling?

Efficient sorting of all materials, mostly on site, but we perform some in-house off-site sorting here at our yard.

Where are the biggest opportunities?

Future customers who are looking for a Smarter, Faster, Safer demolition company.

How long have you been a member of CDRA?

I think since back in the late 90s, but then I'm the one who can't remember my wife's birthday.

What inspired you to join CDRA?

Bill Turley and the CDRA have always been a reliable resource for Staton and me for any conflicts, questions, and problems associated with rules and regulations in the demolition recycling industry. More importantly, the fast responses and answers I have always received have saved my bacon on several occasions. It's the kind of service that creates instant and long-lasting loyalty between good business associates and friends.

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Join NDA at Demolition San Diego

The National Demolition Association (NDA) is hosting <u>Demolition San Diego</u>, February 26 – March 1, 2022. This Annual Convention and Expo will convene professionals for education, networking, and more. As the industry gets back to work in earnest, don't miss your chance to reengage.

Register Today

Industry News

This is an interesting article about shingle recycling in Indiana, which explains how the market has changed in recent years.

Millions of Pounds of Recyclable Material Dumped at Landfill Instead

This article is about reducing the use of landfills, based on the European experience. While the focus is on MSW, it talks a lot about recycling and supports WTE.

It's Time to Look Harder at Landfills if We're Serious about Addressing Climate Change

Washington state is looking to regulate PFAs more closely, and waste facilities will be scrutinized.

Washington State to Regulate PFAS Under State Superfund

Welcome New Member!

Please join us in welcoming one of the CDRA's newest members!



Owens Corning is a global building and industrial materials leader. The company's three integrated businesses are dedicated to the manufacture and advancement of a broad range of insulation, roofing and fiberglass composite materials.

Submit Newsletter Content

Do you have industry content to be considered for the CDRA's monthly e-Newsletter? We encourage you to submit ideas as often as you have them. Although not every news item is shared, we will review each submission based on our audience's interests and information needs.

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