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Recycling Market Development Advisory Council (RMDAC) Meeting
Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024
United Catalyst Corporation
100 Industrial Blvd, Fountain Inn, SC
9:45 AM – 1:00 PM

#### **RMDAC**

Tina Green, Mumford Industries
Norman Chandler, Republic Services
Adam Padget, Green Energy Biofuels
Jay Spears, Continental
Ed Marr, Horry County
Chad Prescott, Mid-Carolina Steel
Kevin Richardson, City of Rock Hill
Jean Cecil Frick, Maynard Nexsen
Carol James-Gilchrist, Sonoco Recycling
Angel Lara, Mid-Carolina Steel
Andy Spicer, University of South Carolina

## **ABSENT**

Chris Fisher, Fisher Recycling Brad Dutton, Dutton Polymers Wes Westbrooks, RMDAC Chair, Belle Environmental

### **GUESTS**

Cynthia Davis, Sustain SC
Glenn Odom, Retired; Emeritus Member
Representative Mark N. Willis, SC Legislature
Ryan Syrbe, The Office of US Senator Tim Scott
Angie Omer, The Office of US Senator Lindsey Graham
Dylon Ligon, SC Department of Commerce
George Acker, SC Department of Commerce
Shelby McIntyre, SC Department of Commerce
Cheryl Coleman, ReMA (virtual)
Marty Seaman, RRS (virtual)
Becky Berube, UCC
Cole Berube, UCC
Coleman Neill, UCC

#### **STAFF**

Anna DeLage, SC Department of Commerce



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Allyson Barbier, SC Department of Commerce Ashley Jenkins, SC Department of Commerce

## **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Tina Green (Vice Chair) motions to call the meeting to order at 10:59 AM. The Vice Chair welcomes guests.

### **MINUTES**

The board votes to approve minutes. Minutes are approved.

### **Introductions**

Anna does economic impact of recycling and overview of the council.

# Cole Berube gives overview of UCC's United Ecosystem Software.

- Have a database for their suppliers like scrap yards- the system values the catalytic converter based on the make and model of the vehicle
- 30% of old cars are being exported to Eastern Europe
- Revenue model- software is free if you are a supplier of UCC
- Software technology is proprietary
- Market prices update twice a day
- 33,000 unique numbers with unique prices
- Flat rate for the refinery
- Most accurate way to assay the value of the converter without physically assaying
- UCC is exploring options to bring outside supplier network and potentially doing a subscription model
- ACT-I- anti-converter theft intelligence

### **Break**

# Cheryl Coleman goes over ReMA re-branding and roadmap

- Battery safety for children is a focus of ReMA's roadmap- Be Battery Safe campaign is a partnership w/ SC DES
- Conference in SC revealed that ReMA needs to hear more from industry to develop roadmap.

Marty Seaman from RRS presents on partnership w/ ReMA and asks for industry feedback.



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# **Market Updates:**

<u>Aluminum Market:</u> LME is 2301 used beverage cans are .91 cents per pound delivered to the mill <u>Solid Waste:</u> Volumes and mix is steady with special projects and remediations volume significantly down due to economic as well as political uncertainty.

<u>Petroleum Update:</u> Crude oil pricing bounced back in June after a 6 month low. Global growth is decelerating due to softening demand. Renewable diesel and biodiesel feedstocks bounced back with highest pricing since October 2023.

<u>Paper:</u> OCC market - \$120 per ton. Mixed Paper – \$80 per ton. SOP and Coated Book - \$130 per ton

Adjourn: 12:39 PM