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Re: **Reactivation of RDKS Solid Waste Management *Plan Monitoring Advisory Committee*
 (PMAC)**

As a past member of the RDKS Plan Monitoring Advisory Committee, you are invited to a meeting on Wednesday, December 10, 2008 (see attached agenda) to reactivate the critical work done by this group as the RDKS prepares for numerous changes in how solid waste is and will be managed in the region in the next ten years and beyond. If the previous representative for your organization is no longer available or appropriate, please send us the contact information for the new appointee at your earliest convenience.

Specifically, the PMAC will be addressing the following issues in the year ahead:

- An update of the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan;
- Advancements with the residuals management component (we anticipate approval to develop the planned Forceman Ridge Landfill in the next 12 months and also need to review options for the Hazeltons).
- Design and evaluation of existing and planned waste reduction and diversion strategies;
- Transition into the planned new landfill facilities.
- Evaluation and integration of existing and new provincial programs for Extended Producer Responsibility.
- Integration and liaison with complementary sustainability initiatives by member municipalities, the non-profit and private sector, and adjacent regional districts.

As you may recall, the Committee was originally suspended in 2004 until more solid positions from stakeholders were offered on moving forward on implementation of initiatives. Progress has occurred and the Regional District is prepared to provide strong leadership in support of a Zero Waste target. The attached reports to the RDKS Board provide a summary of work completed and ongoing since January of this year and new pages on the RDKS website highlight the Zero Waste program.

If you have any questions about the contents of this letter, the agenda, or the attached reports, please do not hesitate to contact either Roger Tooms or myself. I look forward to our first meeting and any communications that may happen leading up to this event. I can be reached directly by e-mail at lgallant@rdks.bc.ca or by phone 250-615-6100 at the RDKS office, or in my Smithers office at 250-847-1670.

Sincerely,



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Attachments (3) Board reports for May and October 2008, and PMAC agenda

PMAC AGENDA

Tentative Date: Wednesday, December 10, 2008 9:00 am – 2 pm

Location: RDKS Boardroom, Terrace

| Time | Agenda Item |
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| 8:45 a.m. | Arrivals, refreshments available |
| 9:00 a.m. | Welcome and Review of Agenda |
| 9:10 a.m. | Round of Introductions |
| 9:30 a.m. | Solid Waste Management Plan status and Introduction to Zero Waste - Presentation by Roger Tooms and Laurie Gallant |
| 10:30 a.m. | Break |
| 10:45 a.m. | Terms of Reference for Committee Role, Representation, Membership, Scope, Objectives and Tasks, Conduct of Meetings. |
| 12:00 a.m. | Lunch |
| 12:45 a.m. | Approach for meeting objectives <ul style="list-style-type: none">- methodology (with examples from other regions)- schedule and location of meetings- communications protocol including public and media involvement |
| 1:45 a.m. | Review of action items; next meeting and agenda items |
| 2:00 a.m. | Meeting adjourned |

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