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Solid and Hazardous Waste/Recycling Administrative/Judicial Development-2023-2024: Arkansas Environmental Federation Presentation

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I undertook a presentation at the April 17, Arkansas Environmental Federation Land Seminar titled:

Solid and Hazardous Waste/Recycling Administrative/Judicial Development – 2023-2024

The presentation addressed a variety of federal and state decisions, litigation, rulings, regulations, policies, etc either directly or indirectly related to solid or hazardous waste (including recycling) that have risen over the last twelve months.

The presentation addressed:

- Reconditioning/Used Drum Management: Addressing U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Advance
 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking
- Non-Hazardous Secondary Material Standards: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Final Response to American Forest and Paper Association Petition
- RCRA Corrosivity Hazardous Waste Characteristic: Federal Appellate Court Addresses Denial of
 Petition Requesting Expansion
- Variance from Classification as RCRA Solid Waste: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Grants Tucson, Arizona, Facility Petition
- Lithium Battery Recycling Regulatory Status: US Environmental Protection Agency Issues Memorandum Addressing Frequently Asked Questions
- Solar Panels/Lithium Batteries/RCRA: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Announces Plan to Craft/Modify Universal Waste Regulations
- Toxic Release Inventory/Community Right-to-Know: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Releases
 Annual National Report
- Lead Contaminated Soil/Residential Sites: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Lowers Recommended Screening Levels
- Lead-Sheathed Telecom/Power Cables: Environmental Defense Fund Request to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- PFAS/CERCLA (Superfund) Liability: U.S. Senator John Boozman (Arkansas) Legislation Exempting Noncontributing Industries/Municipalities
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Information Collection Request: POTW Influent PFAS Study Data

- PFAS/Clean Water Act Enforcement: Michigan Attorney General Files Action Against Grand Rapids Airport for Alleged Contamination
- Recycling Defense/CERCLA: U.S. District Court Addresses Applicability of Superfund Recycling Equity Act
- Oil Pollution Act Oil/CERCLA Hazardous Substance: Federal Appellate Court Addresses Which Statute Governs When the Substances are Mixed and Released
- CERCLA Cost Recovery: Federal Court Addresses Whether Municipality's Urban Renewal activities Potentially Constitute Arranger Liability
- Fiscal Superfund Revenues
- National Enforcement and Compliance Document: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Announces Initiatives for Years 2024-2027
- Federal/State Environmental Criminal Enforcement
- Electronic Waste/ New York State Conviction of Companies/ Individuals
- Release Reporting/CERCLA Enforcement: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Tracy, California,
 Cheese Manufacturing Facility Enter into Consent Agreement
- Illegal Dumping/Environmental Justice: U.S. Department of Justice and City of Houston, Texas, Enter into Settlement
- OSHA Enforcement: Proposed Penalties Addressing National Tank Cleaning Company for Alleged Violations
- Medical Waste/Hazardous Waste Enforcement: California Attorney General and California Hospital Organization/Health Plan Enter into Settlement
- Criminal Enforcement/Beverage Container Recycling Program: California Attorney General Files Felony Complaint Against Eight Individuals for Alleged Fraud
- Underground Storage Tank Fund/California State Water Resources Control Board: Los Angeles
 Environmental Consulting Firm Enters into Settlement Addressing Alleged Inflated Invoices
- Environmental Services Agreement: Federal Court Addresses Limitation of Liability Clause
- Underground Storage Tanks/Insurance Coverage: Federal Court Addresses Timing Issue
- Solid Waste Removal Service/Temporary Waste Projects: Carroll County, Arkansas, Circuit Court Complaint Filed Alleging City of Holiday Island Unconstitutional Monopoly
- Alternative Daily Cover/Mississippi County Class I Landfill: Request to Use dried Drop Box Steel Sludge
- Authorizing the Sale of Cannabis Waste: State of Washington Legislation
- Tennessee Waste Reduction Recycling Act: Legislation Introduced Establishing Producer Responsibility Requirements
- Flow Control/Construction and Demolition Waste: Washington Appellate Court Addresses Challenge to King County Code
- Interstate Waste Movement/Municipal Ordinance: Shreveport, Louisiana, Prohibits Transportation of Waste Collected in the City Out of State
- Single-Use Plastic Packaging/Buffalo River (New York): New York Attorney General Files Judicial Action Against PepsiCo, Inc., Alleging Environmental Harm
- Arkansas Scrap/Recycling Personnel Moves: Jack Grundfest Promoted to Expanded Role of President/Chief Executive Officer of Alter Trading
- New Arkansas Reserve Recovery/ Recycling Facilities

A copy of the slides from the presentation can be found <u>here</u>.