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The Municipal Waste Association (MWA, formerly known as the AMRC), is offering a free training opportunity for municipal recycling staff. The fundamental ("core") training component for E&E Fund Project #341 will be offered this fall.

E&E Fund Project #341 was approved by MIPC (Municipal-Industry Programs Committee), under Waste Diversion Ontario, in 2008, to support the development and delivery of a 3 year Ontario Blue Box Recyclers Training Program.

The MWA is contracted to E&E Fund Project #341 to coordinate the delivery of the 3 Year Ontario Blue Box Recyclers Training Program.

The delivery of the fundamental training course is being held from October 26th to 30th, 2009, with the course being offered **at no cost** to participants. We will be offering the five day course through Fleming College at either their Peterborough or Lindsay campus. The training will be four days in length followed by an exam on the morning of the fifth day.

The course has been developed by Stantec (previously Jacques Whitford) with input and direction from a number of municipal and technical recycling experts. The steering committee involved in the course development included a variety of individuals with backgrounds in waste diversion, continuing education, workplace training and course delivery.

The course content and format have been developed to provide a rigorously detailed, Ontario-content based course with practical application to municipal recycling program operators and decision makers. It is felt that the course value, if offered at a comparable commercial price, is in the \$850 to \$1,000 range.

The course outline includes eight modules, as follows:

1. Introduction (2.5 hours - Day 1)
2. Markets (3 hours - Day 1)
3. Processing (8 hours - Day 1 and 2)
4. Collection (7 hours - Day 2 and 3)
5. Promotion & Education (2 hours - Day 3)
6. Policies supporting recycling (1.5 hours - Day 3 or 4)
7. Measure & Monitor (1 hour - Day 4)
8. Present Your Program Plan (1.5 hours - Day 4)

In addition, participants will be asked to complete a 2.5 hour on-line pre-course module (the week before the in-class training) and following the training, an in-class exam. Participants completing the exam will receive a certificate of course completion.

There are 25 spaces available for this fundamental training delivery. More details about the exact location will be made available shortly. Those interested should contact Vivian De Giovanni at MWA at vivian@municipalwaste.ca.