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# Questions Submitted on End Market Development Request for Applications October 22, 2014

**Q1: Are these grants for manufacturing of products only or is there money available to start a new recycling center for our community? Could we request grant funds to purchase equipment to improve operations at an existing recycling center?**

A1: This solicitation is focused on the end-market development of recyclables -- in other words, the next step after the recyclables have already been collected and processed by a recycling center. If your goal is to establish a public recycling drop-off center in your community, there will be a separate Request for Applications released in January 2015 that will be focused on all facets of recycling, including collection and processing. This future solicitation will be your best opportunity for funding to start a new recycling program in your community. A separate announcement will be made once that Request for Applications is available.

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**Q2: Our reuse company is in need of a forklift to help us move larger items around our warehouse. This is currently being done by hand and is a safety and wellness issue for our staff. Does this sound like a project that would be considered for a grant?**

A2: This solicitation is focused on the end-market development of recyclables -- in other words, the next step after recyclables have already been collected and processed by a recycling center. There will be a separate Request for Applications released in January 2015 that will be focused on all facets of recycling, including reuse. This future solicitation may be your best opportunity for funding to support your mission and to create efficiencies in your processes. A separate announcement will be made once that Request for Applications is available.

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**Q3: Would the recycling of paint qualify for this grant opportunity?**

A3: Yes, since the recycling of paint establishes and expands the end-market for this product.

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**Q4: Will multiple funding options be accepted in one application?**

A4: Per Section 5.5.1 of the Request for Applications document, applicants may offer more than one, but no more than two, project budgets in a proposal for the selection committee to consider. For instance, Option A could entail a budget that allows the applicant to purchase everything needed to fully implement the project. Option B could alternatively request fewer grant dollars by including additional matching funds or creating a scaled back project that would still achieve most of the project's goals and remain equally sustainable in the long-term.

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**Q5: Please verify that section 5.3.5 "Criterion: Facility requirements" was intended to be section 5.3.6.**

A5: Yes, this criterion in the Request for Applications document was numbered incorrectly. The criterion for facility requirements should have been labeled section 5.3.6. Applications will not be penalized if section 5.3.5 is listed twice.

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**Q6: Would a program that increases the collection of sharps by implementing a proven, market-ready concept to ensure safe and proper disposal be eligible for funding?**

A6: Yes, so long as the market-ready concept would lead to increased landfill diversion of a hard-to-recycle material. It will be important that the proposal demonstrate how the project will meet this solicitation's intended purpose to, "purchase the equipment needed, or the materials to build the equipment needed, to implement a proven, market-ready concept that will contribute to greater degrees of waste diversion."

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