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ACRES Training

The next [online ACRES training](#) for EPA Brownfields grantees will be held on November 13, 2008 at 2pm. The [Assessment, Cleanup and Redevelopment Exchange System \(ACRES\)](#) is an online database for Brownfields grantees to electronically submit data directly to EPA.



**Northeast Waste
Management Officials'
Association**

Getting a Bigger Bang for Your Buck: Real-Time Data Collection And Interpretation To Improve Decision-Making Workshop

- **November 19, 2008**
The Publick House, Sturbridge, MA
- **November 20, 2008**
New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NH DES), Concord, NH

The workshop includes a classroom session, focused on case studies, as well as three outdoor equipment demonstrations from leading vendors in the Northeast, and two indoor exhibit areas with information about field analytical methods from seven leading vendors. Participants will be broken-up into smaller groups and will rotate to each of the five sessions. Following the break-out sessions, the groups will reconvene in the classroom for further discussion.

Click [here](#) to register and for more information.

MBE/WBE Reporting for Brownfields Grantees

Brownfields grant recipients are required to complete and submit [EPA Form 5700-52A, "MBE/WBE Utilization Under Federal Grants, Cooperative Agreements and Interagency Agreements"](#)



beginning with the Federal fiscal year reporting period the recipient receives the award, and continuing until the project is completed.

- For grants **awarded prior to 2008**, the reports must be submitted quarterly for the periods ending March 31st, June 30th, September 30th & December 31st.
- For grants **awarded in 2008**, the reports must be submitted semiannually for the periods ending March 31st & September 30th.

MBE/WBE reports are **due 30 days after the end of the reporting period** and should be sent to:

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Grants Management Office (MGM)
US EPA, Region 1 – New England
One Congress Street, Suite 1100
Boston, MA 02114-2023

Brownfields Tax Incentive Extended

On October 3, 2008, [H.R. 1424](#) was signed into law by the President. Section 318 of the bill provides for expensing of environmental remediation costs extending the current [brownfield tax incentive](#)



till December 31, 2009, and is effective for expenditures paid or incurred after December 31, 2007. The tax incentive allows taxpayers to receive a current federal income tax deduction for certain qualifying remediation costs that would otherwise be subject to capitalization. The extension is a timely benefit for companies seeking to acquire or dispose of environmentally impaired properties.

New England States Brownfields Websites



Want a quick link to the Brownfields web sites of the various New England state governments, to see what's happening there? Click [CT](#), [MA](#), [ME](#), [NH](#), [RI](#), or [VT](#)!



Landfill Gas Energy: A Sustainable Energy Source from Small Landfills in New England Workshop

Thursday, December 11, 2008

9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

University of Southern Maine
Lee Hall - Wishcamper Center
Portland, Maine

Concerned about rising energy prices for your solid waste operations? Want to know how the gas at your landfill can be sold on the carbon market?

Landfill gas energy (LFGE) projects can offer local communities and businesses a source of low-cost, clean-burning fuel for both heat and electric production. In doing so, LFGE projects can provide significant improvements to both local and global air quality by eliminating methane emissions (a potent greenhouse gas) and reducing the need for higher-cost fossil fuels. Landfill gas energy can prove to be an economically sound investment in your community.

Want to learn more? This workshop will provide participants with information on renewable energy policies and carbon finance examples necessary to understand the potential for developing LFGE projects at small landfills. If you manage a landfill or have an interest in facilitating LFGE projects, this workshop is for you.

Visit the [workshop's information page](#) for more information, to review the [preliminary agenda](#), and to [register online](#).

For more information about this workshop, contact Rachel Goldstein at goldstein.rachel@epa.gov or John Podgurski at podgurski.john@epa.gov.



The Big Deal 2009

The [National Brownfield Associations](#) and its partner, the City of Phoenix, a leader in green building, invite you to [THE BIG DEAL 2009](#), at the Phoenix Convention Center, March 24 and 25. Be among industry mavericks and meet the best minds in green build and brownfield redevelopment, there to help you gain the know-how to finance, insure, engineer and build your next big project.

- Find out how to be an [exhibitor](#) or [sponsor](#).
- Do you have a brownfield property for redevelopment? Showcase your property at the [Brownfield Transaction Forum](#).



Brownfields 2009

The next Brownfields Conference is scheduled for **November 16 – 18, 2009** in New Orleans. Check the [conference website](#) for more information as the date approaches.

The Green Roundtable

The [Green Roundtable, Inc. \(GRT\)](#) is a Boston-based, independent non-profit organization whose mission is to help green building and sustainable design become "business as usual".



- [Click here](#) to learn about several upcoming events for **November 2008**.
- [Click here](#) to visit the Nexus Green Building Resource Center.



Green Remediation Primer

The new Green Remediation Primer, a publication from EPA's Brownfields and Land Revitalization Technology Support Center (BTSC), is now available electronically at [this web site](#). More info about EPA's BTSC can be found [here](#).

Green remediation is the practice of considering all environmental effects of cleanup actions and incorporating strategies to maximize the net environmental effects of those actions. The sustainable practices emphasize the need to more closely evaluate core elements of a cleanup project such as energy requirements and air emissions.

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