

**Commercial Operations** in Sight

## Acceptance Testing Dates Set

There is more good news for MRC members and the processing of recyclables and MSW from Coastal. In August, Coastal requested and processed 2,460 tons from MRC members. That's 510 tons more than the previous month, representing a 21% increase. 3,700 tons of MRC members' MSW was processed in September—over 1,200 more than August.

#### **Beneficial Reuse**

Crossroads Landfill has received a couple of loads of fines and pulp and verified that it could be good material to use as alternative daily cover. Waste Management will work with DEP so this process is approved.

#### **Anerobic Digestor Update**

During a scheduled outage from October 4-7, Coastal Resources and multiple contractors were able to produce results that are

important to full operations sustainability. It was an inconvenience to our members to not have Coastal Resources available however the MRC is pleased that the outage was productive and significant progress was made toward the commissioning of the plant. Acceptance testing of the Coastal facility is scheduled to commence on October 21 and expecting to wrap up the week of October 28.



The AD flare was lit and marks the start of the admission of biomass and gas production.

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### UPCOMING MEETINGS

Municipal Review Committee | 20 Godfrey Dr., Ste 213 | Orono, ME 04473 | www.MRCMaine.org

October 23, 2019 Finance Committee Meeting: 9 AM Regular Board Meeting: 10 AM Machias Savings Bank Community Room—2nd Floor 581 Wilson Street, Brewer

**December 11, 2019 Annual Membership Mtg: 3 - 5 PM** Orono Council Chambers 59 Main Street, Orono

#### **ABOUT THE MRC**

The Municipal Review Committee (MRC) is a non-profit association of Maine communities led by an elected, volunteer board of directors. 115 members have joined together to ensure the affordable, environmentally sound disposal of MSW in the longterm and send their MSW to the Coastal Resources facility in Hampden for processing.

Visit www.mrcmaine.org or contact Mike Carroll at 207-664-1700 or execdirector@ mrcmaine.org to learn more about the Municipal Review Committee and to add your name to our email contact list.



MRC regularly sends updates and announcements by email to those who have signed up for our alerts. We also have active Facebook and Twitter accounts where we share articles and post about events and interact with members. Make sure to "like" or follow us through your town's accounts too!

# **Senator Susan Collins Tours Coastal**

On September 3, Senator Collins toured the Coastal Resources facility in Hampden to see first-hand the innovative recycling and waste processing technology. MRC Executive Director Mike Carroll joined



Senator Collins and Coastal representatives on the tour of the facility. "It was terrific to have US Senator Collins tour this facility. She recognized the value of our municipal collaboration that has brought this state-of-the-art technology to our region," said Mike Carroll. "I was so impressed with the plant that I saw," said Collins. "The recycling process here is truly next generation, state-of-the-art and more sophisticated than any recycling plant that I've ever seen."

## Maine Municipal Association

Thank you to all the members who stopped by the MRC's booth! We had an overwhelming positive response and were able to hand out MRC Member pins to Joining Members. If your community would like member pins, please reach out to Mike Carroll at execdirector@mrcmaine.org. Our new brochure is also available to download from the website – under the **What's New** section and **Documents**.





MMA officials also had the chance to tour the facility in September. MRC Executive Director Mike Carroll and Fiberight Director of Community Resources Shelby Wright with MRC Board Member Kevin Howell toured the facility with MMA Legislative Advocate Rebecca Graham, MMA Executive Director Steve Grove, and Director of State and Federal Relations Kate Dufour. We appreciate the time they took to stop by and visit the new facility!



Mike Carroll is continuing to make the rounds with MRC Members. If you would like to schedule a visit, please contact him at **664-1700** or **execdirector@mrcmaine.org**.