# Waste Management

**2013 Recycling Benefits** 

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# WM 2013 Recycling Volumes

## WM Recycle America & WM Sustainability Services

Waste Management recycled more than 15 million tons of commodities and other recyclable materials (organics, C&D materials) in 2013.

- We recycled enough materials to fill the Empire State Building more than 21 times!
- This amount of material weighs more than 196,000 Boeing 737's!



#### **2013 Recycling Tonnages**

<u>Material</u>	<b>Tonnage</b>
Paper	8,959,973
Mixed Organics	2,480,146
Glass	863,192
C&D/Wood	828,625
Metals	724,610
Plastics	431,968
Mixed Recyclables	652,595
Other Recyclables	62,032

**Total Tons Recycled** 

15,003,141



## Recycled Groundwood Paper & Free Sheet Paper

### **Groundwood Paper Tonnage**

- Cardboard 3,161,986 tons
- Newspaper 2,183,749 tons
- Mixed paper 2,394,270 tons

Free Sheet Paper Tonnage

• Office paper - 1,219,969 tons

Total Tons - 8,959,974 tons

 Recycling these fiber materials saved more than 123 Million mature trees!





## **Greenhouse Gas Emissions Savings**

### Recycled Commodity Tonnage

- Total 11,145,469 tons
- Recycling these materials reduced greenhouse gas emissions by more than 29.8 Million Metric Tons (MTCO2E)!
- That GHG reduction is equivalent to removing more than 5.8 million passenger cars from the road each year!
  - MTCO2E = metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent



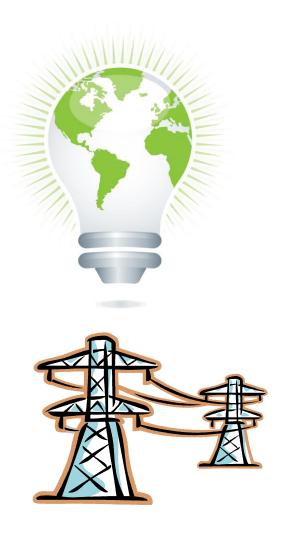




## **Energy Savings**

### Recycled Commodity Tonnage

- Total 11,145,469 tons
- Recycling these materials saved more than 43.38 Billion kilowatt-hrs of electricity.
- That is enough energy to power more than 3.61 Million Homes for a year!





## **Landfill Airspace Savings**

### Recycled Commodity Tonnage

- Total 11,145,469 tons
- Recycling these materials saved more 38.58 million cubic yards of landfill airspace.
- That is enough airspace to meet the municipal waste disposal needs of more than 49.5 million people for one year!







## WM Recycle America & WM Sustainability Services

 Waste Management is the largest recycler of paper and other commodities in North America.



