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Memorandum

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Subject: Quarter 2 SWIP Report

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Part One – Expenses as of December 31, 2017

I have already mailed out the second quarter invoice to all of the towns except Glastenbury, which I will bill at the end of the year. Table 1 below shows the total amount invoiced to each town for the year beginning July 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017. Table 1 also shows the budgeted amount per quarter and for the entire year. As you can see, we are under budget.

Table 1. First quarter BCRC-SWIP contract costs by town							
Town	Population	Share	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Year Total	Quarterly Budget	Annual Budget
Arlington	2,317	0.0661	\$ 1,511.19	\$ 1,252.38	\$ 2,763.57	\$ 2,638.30	\$ 10,553.20
Bennington	15,764	0.4496	\$10,278.83	\$ 8,518.49	\$ 18,797.32	\$17,945.22	\$ 71,780.89
Dorset	2,031	0.0579	\$ 1,323.72	\$ 1,097.02	\$ 2,420.74	\$ 2,311.01	\$ 9,244.02
Glastenbury	8	0.0002	\$ 4.57	\$ 3.79	\$ 8.36	\$ 7.98	\$ 31.93
Manchester	4,391	0.1252	\$ 2,862.34	\$ 2,372.14	\$ 5,234.48	\$ 4,997.20	\$ 19,988.81
Pownal	3,527	0.1006	\$ 2,299.93	\$ 1,906.05	\$ 4,205.98	\$ 4,015.32	\$ 16,061.29
Rupert	714	0.0204	\$ 466.39	\$ 386.52	\$ 852.90	\$ 814.24	\$ 3,256.96

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Town	Population	Share	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Year Total	Quarterly Budget	Annual Budget
Sandgate	405	0.0116	\$ 265.20	\$ 219.78	\$ 484.98	\$ 463.00	\$ 1,852.00
Searsburg	109	0.0031	\$ 70.87	\$ 58.74	\$ 129.61	\$ 123.73	\$ 494.93
Shaftsbury	3,590	0.1024	\$ 2,341.09	\$ 1,940.15	\$ 4,281.24	\$ 4,087.17	\$ 16,348.67
Stamford	824	0.0235	\$ 537.26	\$ 445.25	\$ 982.51	\$ 937.97	\$ 3,751.89
Sunderland	956	0.0273	\$ 624.14	\$ 517.25	\$ 1,141.39	\$ 1,089.65	\$ 4,358.58
Woodford	424	0.0121	\$ 276.63	\$ 229.26	\$ 505.89	\$ 482.96	\$ 1,931.83
Total	35,060	1.0000	\$22,862.16	\$ 18,946.82	\$ 41,808.98	\$39,913.75	\$159,655.00

Table 2 shows expenditures for the year thus far by category. BCRC costs totaled \$7,898.95 while contractors totaled \$20,777.44. If you look back at Table 1 you will see that total expenditures of \$32,508.26 approached the budgeted amount of \$39,913.75, but the grants of \$13,561.44 defrayed a large proportion of total costs.

Table 2. Costs by budget category			
Cost Category	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Year Total
BCRC Salary and Benefits	\$11,155.68	\$ 6,014.55	\$ 17,170.23
Phone, supplies, postage, equipment	\$ 327.24	\$ 43.90	\$ 371.14
Printing	\$ 204.12	\$ 18.05	\$ 222.17
Travel	\$ 444.73	\$ 375.46	\$ 820.19
Advertising	\$ 379.00	\$ 1,422.00	\$ 1,801.00
Dues	\$ 3,019.14	\$ 24.99	\$ 3,044.13
Compost bins purchases	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Indirect Costs	\$ 7,107.28	\$ 3,831.87	\$ 10,939.15
Berkshire Direct, NERC, Other Contracts	\$ 224.97	\$ 6,743.81	\$ 6,868.80
HHW Contractors	\$ -	\$ 14,033.63	\$ 14,133.61
Total	\$22,862.16	\$ 32,508.26	\$ 55,370.42
Income			\$ -
ANR Grant, Ag and Markets, Donations	\$ -	\$ 13,550.96	\$ 13,550.96
Compost bin sales	\$ -	\$ 10.48	\$ 10.48

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Total	\$ -	\$ 13,561.44	\$ 13,561.44
Expenses - income	\$22,862.16	\$ 18,946.82	\$ 41,808.98



Part Two – Summary of Activities

This section summarizes BCRC activities on behalf of the Alliance under the contract for the period July 1 through September 30, 2017. During this period, we engaged in the following activities:

1. Business Outreach

- Over the course of calendar year 2017, NERC provided outreach to 52 businesses, 20 of which were food oriented and 32 nonfood businesses. Table 3 below summarizes the results of surveys of each business.
- We focused on small businesses of 1 to 4 and 5 to 9 employees. A few of the larger included Chili’s Bar and Grill, Spiral Press Café, and several retail establishments.

	Paper	Glass	Deposit Containers	Plastics	Metal	Food Scraps	Mercury Lamps and Other Items	Batteries	Paint	C and D Materials	Leaf and Yard Debris
Food Businesses											
Recycle or divert	20	16	10	19	19	11	9	9	5	0	8
Do no recycle or divert	0	3	5	1	1	6	1	0	0	0	0
Do not generate	0	1	0	0	0	3	5	11	14	19	12
Do not know or no answer	0	0	5	0	0	0	5	0	1	1	0
Total	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
Non Food Businesses											
Recycle or divert	31	27	16	28	30	0	17	4	1	0	0
Do no recycle or divert	1	0	16	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Do not generate	0	5	0	2	1	29	10	27	30	32	32
Do not know or no answer	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	1	1	0	0
Total	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32

2. School Outreach

- As reported earlier, NERC provided follow-up at Pownal Elementary so the school could start food scrap collection. We assisted them with the purchase of compost bins, and they intend to compost all of their food scraps on site.

- NERC met with staff and students at Stamford Elementary to initiate food scrap collections. Stamford will use TAM as a hauler for food scraps, recyclables and MSW. NERC conducted a schoolwide assembly at Stamford on food scrap collection and also monitored and assisted in the startup of collection during lunches. A teacher's husband constructed a collection table for the students to use.
 - NERC conducted a site visit and waste assessment walk-through of Burr & Burton which included faculty and students.
 - NERC staff also met with the environmental club at Arlington Memorial High School and Middle School. That school had started composting on-site, but the effort was not successful and will now be having Casella collect food scraps.
3. We held a household hazardous waste event at the Dorset School on September 30th. I reported on that and the spring event in my previous report. In 2018 our HHW events will be on May 12, 2018 at the Bennington Transfer Station from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM and on September 15, 2018 at the Dorset School from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. I am also looking into a satellite pickup to serve Searsburg and Stamford in the fall. We have the possibility of organizing a satellite collection this fall for Searsburg and Stamford, and I would like to discuss that at the March meeting.
 4. Berkshire Direct has made numerous changes to the Alliance website to incorporate updates. You can see the changes at www.bcswavt.org. You can also find us on Facebook.
 5. We applied for a SWIP grant for 2018. Our allocation was increased from \$24,289.00 in 2017 to \$32,371.01 for 2018, an increase of \$8,082.01. This was the result of an increase in fees collected by VT ANR.
 6. As I reported previously, Arlington, Bennington, Dorset, Manchester, Sandgate, and Sunderland met to discuss a bulky waste day with Randy Dapron of Casella. This would allow residents of those towns to drop off bulky items for a reduced cost from what is charged at the Bennington, Dorset and Sunderland transfer stations. Bennington has decided to opt out. I have contacted Woodford to see if they are interested. Shaftsbury is also interested. I met with the Sunderland Select Board, and they stated they did not have this in their budget and would rather consider it for 2019. I think that may be the best course at this point and will assemble cost estimates. I would like to discuss this at our March meeting.

Part Three – Actions Needed

1. Alliance towns need to provide me with the hauler registrations they have received. I have received forms from Stamford and Sunderland.
2. Alliance towns need to adopt the updated pay as you throw ordinance. Please send me the updated version when you adopt it. I have received an updated ordinance from Sunderland.