



# District News

Northeast Indiana  
Solid Waste  
Management District

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## What Happens To Computers Brought to the NISWMD for Recycling?

### Important Dates:

- \* March 11th Board of Director's Meeting, 6:30 pm at the Ashley office.
- \* DeKalb and Steuben County Compost lots open April 14th at 8am.
- \* April 18th is the first day for Household Hazardous Waste Program

Computers, televisions and all other electronic items that are brought to the NISWMD to recycle are shipped to Chesapeake Recycling in Winamac, Indiana where they are de-manufactured. De-manufacturing means the electronic items are literally taken apart, or broken down into vari-

ous components and recycled. The components are marketed to various processors that utilize the material as feedstock for new components.

Worried about your hard drive? All hard drives are ran under a drill press to render the drive non-usable.



The NISWMD visited this location and have their certification that computer components are not shipped overseas or are landfilled.

## Need a Place to Recycle Fluorescent Bulbs?

Since the 21st century began, more and more homes are using fluorescent bulbs. They might use less energy but they still burn out. Bring all your spent bulbs to the District on Friday morning's only, from 8:00 am—noon.

### Charges apply

A 4-foot bulb is \$.28 ea; 8-foot bulb is \$.56 ea; circular or u-bulb \$.48 ea; compact fluorescent bulbs are \$.48 ea; HID or metal-hydride bulbs are \$.99 ea

## Mission Statement

To assure uniform, efficient, cost-effective solid waste services are available to the citizens of the District.

## Screened Compost Available

Before you know it, the snow will be gone and thoughts of yard and garden work will be on your mind. Before the weather gets the best of you, why not plan now to purchase screened com-

post from the NISWMD's Ashley facility to enrich your yard or garden. On



Friday mornings only from 8:00 am until noon, compost will be loaded into your vehicle for \$5.00 per cubic yard. A normal sized pick-up truck will hold approximately three cubic yards of material.

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**Reduce-Reuse-Recycle-Rethink**

For more information  
go to the District's  
website at  
[www.niswmd.org](http://www.niswmd.org)

### Facts About the NISWMD

- ⇒ The NISWMD was Indiana's first multi-county solid waste district created May 30, 1990.
- ⇒ Through Public Law 10-1990 Districts were mandated to write develop and implement a 20-year solid waste plan.
- ⇒ The NISWMD is 61% rural, has a population of nearly 160,000; has 1,462 square miles. 24 incorporated entities generated 197,756 tons of solid waste in 2006 with only 16,799 tons being recycled.

## Business and Industry Recycling Programs

In an effort to meet the needs of small businesses throughout the Northeast District with regard to recovering hazardous waste materials, in 2003, the Board of Directors established a fee schedule to assist conditionally exempt small quantity generators (CESQG's)

This service enables CESQG's proper recycling and/or disposal of hazardous waste materials found throughout their company. Fees established under the District contract with its' vendors will be applied to your business. An administrative fee of 20% will also be charged to allow the District to continue to assist said companies with the handling, recycling, and/or disposal and management of the program.

The District reserves the right to refuse service, or redirect customers and materials to a more appropriate facility, company or service provider in the best interests of employee and public safety, protection of the environment and the household hazardous waste program.

## Visit our Website

Want to review previous annual reports or minutes from past board meetings? Interested in recycling totals or education programs? You can investigate the District's Waste Reduction-Waste Minimization program and all our other programs and services on our webpage. Go to [www.niswmd.org](http://www.niswmd.org) for all your answers.

**Did you know:  
that solid waste  
is simply misplaced  
resources?**