

August 23, 2016

Otisfield Town Office
403 State Route 121
Otisfield ME 04270-6274

Dear Municipal Officers of Otisfield,

At its meeting on July 13, 2016, the Board of Directors of the Oxford County Regional Recycling Corporation voted to recommend to the Corporation's members that the Agreement regarding the Corporation be terminated and that the Corporation be dissolved. As a member of the Corporation, you are receiving notice of this recommendation pursuant to Section 6.5(a) of the Agreement.

The decision to recommend dissolution was not an easy one. Several members of the Corporation decided to pursue single-stream recycling over the past few years and the Corporation attempted to provide those recycling services to those members. After providing both single-stream and sorted recycling to its members for a few years, the Board determined that it did not make financial sense to continue to offer both options. Those members using single-stream recycling had no desire to return to single-sort recycling and other member communities were not interested in switching to single-stream. At one time, we had 20 member towns; current membership is 15, of which 7 are utilizing single-stream. As the departure of those members has left the Corporation without sufficient recycling volume to be cost-effective, the Board determined that it is necessary to recommend dissolution of the Corporation.

The Board is suggesting an effective dissolution date of July 1, 2017. Pursuant to Section 6.5(a) of the Agreement, you must present the question of termination of the Agreement by printed ballot at your next annual town meeting or at a special election called for that purpose. You may also place the question on a ballot for the November election.

The printed ballot should read as follows: "Shall the Town agree to the termination of the Agreement for Joint Recycling and Continuation of the Oxford County Regional Recycling Corporation, this termination to be effective July 1, 2017? _____ Yes
_____ No"

A public hearing may be necessary and Selectmen may wish to make a recommendation as they might do on any other article coming before a town meeting vote. While the word "continuation" within the title of the document may be confusing, it was inserted when the document was updated and extended in July of 2010.

Please provide the final vote tally for this question to Janet Jamison at email janetjamison1957@gmail.com Cellphone (207) 449-5329. If a two-thirds majority of your town meeting participants vote for dissolution, your town will be considered in favor of dissolution. If a majority of member towns are in favor of dissolution, the Agreement shall be terminated July 1, 2017. Upon the termination of the Agreement, the Board of Directors will continue to meet in order to liquidate the Corporation's assets and distribute the Corporation's assets and/or liabilities as required by the terms of the Agreement.

The Board anticipates that process should take no more than 12 months. Immediately upon the final distribution of the Corporation's assets and/or liabilities, the Board shall disband and the dissolution of the Corporation shall be complete.

If you have questions regarding the town meeting vote or any other element of the dissolution process, please provide those questions to your town's director to present at the next Board of Directors meeting which will take place September 14, 2016 at the Norway Town Office at 7pm.

Sincerely,



Janet Jamison,
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