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## ANTITRUST CHECKLIST FOR 2020 Paper & Plastics Recycling Conference International

This checklist states 2020 Paper & Plastics Recycling Conference International policy to ensure compliance with antitrust laws and regulations during this broadcast event - including meetings, roundtables, seminars and social gatherings. The federal antitrust laws prohibit *combinations in restraint of trade* that occur whenever competitors within a field of business exchange information that has the purpose or effect of fixing, raising, maintaining or stabilizing prices (or otherwise limiting competition). Should such a conspiracy in restraint of trade be found to occur during the 2020 Paper & Plastics Recycling Conference International, GIE Media (d.b.a. Recycling Today Media Group), its directors, its officers and participating members would be held liable for substantial damages (including treble damages). Thus, attendees are asked to meet the following requirements:

1. Do not, in fact or appearance, discuss or exchange **present or future price-related information**, including:<sup>1</sup>
  - Individual company prices, price differentials, markups, discounts, credit terms, marketing strategies, etc.;
  - Individual company data on costs, production, capacity, inventories, sales, etc.;
  - Transportation rates (particularly contract rates) for individual shipments;
  - Company bids on contracts for particular materials, company procedures for responding to bid, etc.; and
  - Matters relating to actual or potential individual suppliers or customers that might have the effect of excluding them from any market or influencing the business conduct of firms toward them.
2. Contact your legal counsel if you have any questions about these guidelines or any other matter about your responsibilities under the law.

Recycling Today Media Group events (both face-to-face and virtual) are valuable to the industry and will continue to be so. Your awareness of the need to observe our antitrust policies is the best way to assure the continuing success of these programs.

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<sup>1</sup> Although one can discuss historical pricing information, such as that published in the *Wall Street Journal*, or other widely circulated publication available to all interested members of the industry (as well as possible entrants to the market), all other discussion of price related information should be discouraged, even historical pricing. This is because price fixing conspiracies are typically proven by circumstantial evidence and the possibility is strong that a particular statement may be misinterpreted at a meeting or poorly remembered by a fellow member, who may then relate his "best recollection" to a jury.