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## **Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Held for Material Recovery Facility**

Charleston County officials attend ceremony on December 1 to kick-off operations

On December 1, Charleston County leaders officially opened the new Material Recovery Facility with a ribbon cutting ceremony.

Located in North Charleston at 8099 Palmetto Commerce Parkway, the County's new recycling center is designed to meet future regional recycling needs. The site features 82,000 square feet of building space, including a multi-media education center, state-of-the-art recycling equipment, administrative offices and the collections fleet.

Components of the new MRF include:

- State-of-the-art processing equipment, such as optical sorting equipment and robotics
- Fully automated scales
- Capacity to process 25 tons of recyclables per hour

"Building this new recycling facility is a necessary investment in order to serve the needs of our community for many years to come," said Charleston County Vice-Chair and Solid Waste Chairman Brantley Moody. "Our citizens will play a vital role in the success of our recycling operation. We need everyone to recycle right, keep contaminates out of the cart and keep recyclables out of the landfill."

Charleston County has partnered with Charleston Recycling Services (CRS) to operate the Material Recovery Facility and process material. CRS is a division of CellMark Recycling, a full-service organization that consists of a network of offices and production facilities across North America, Europe, the Caribbean, South America and Asia. The company has approximately 800 employees dedicated to buying, selling, producing, financing, and transporting recycled fiber, plastics, metals and job lot/stock lot rolls across the globe.

CRS can be reached at 843-376-9100 for additional information.

Charleston County staff will be moving facilities tomorrow, Wednesday December 2. Please e-mail us at <a href="mailto:recycle@charlestoncounty.org">recycle@charlestoncounty.org</a> or text Citibot at 843-800-4121 with any questions during this transition.

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