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Dear VWIA Members:

My time as Chair of the Virginia Waste Industries Association is coming to a close as of December, and I am tremendously thankful for the opportunity to have served such a professional membership! There is never a dull moment in the solid waste management industry, and the past two years have certainly kept the pace. I am convinced that challenge is what keeps us vibrant and active, and when our Association meets those challenges head-on is when the value to our membership is most apparent. Do flow control, permit fees, vehicle and equipment emission standards, card check, etc. come to mind? Maybe a few less challenges would be OK!

I have enjoyed working with such a good group of professionals: an incredible local and national staff that is savvy, knowledgeable, and tireless; the Steering Committee where true leadership is practiced; and the diverse and talented membership itself. Wow! That is quite a group to learn from!

Change is good, and new leadership is at hand. I look forward to serving VWIA in the future in any way I can; and that future is exceptionally bright (and potentially entertaining) with incoming Chair Bob Kania working as one in harmony with Chapter Manager Mike Dobson! Where work meets pleasure, competency meets enthusiasm, and advocacy meets professionalism, VWIA is all of that and more. THANKS TO ALL!

Sincerely,

Jeff Crate
VWIA Chapter Chair

