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New Single Stream Recycling Facility in Akron GreenStar Recycling to Serve Central and Northeast Ohio

AKRON, OH (June 6, 2012) - GreenStar Recycling, a leading recycler in North America, Akron Mayor Don Plusquellic, and Summit County Executive Russ Pry announced today the opening of GreenStar's newest single stream recycling facility in Akron that will serve customers in central and northeast Ohio. Single stream is a recycling innovation that allows participants to combine all recyclables into one bin, greatly increasing the convenience to participating households and businesses.

Greenstar has invested \$7 million in the Exeter Road recycling facility, which includes improvements to an existing 196,000 square foot facility, and new technology upgrades to help automate the sorting of materials. The facility can process up to 15,000 tons of recyclables each month, creating the need for 43 new local green employees.

“Greenstar is committed to increasing Akron’s recycling rates,” confirmed Marcelo Figueira, CEO of Greenstar Recycling. “Increasing the recycling rates will help reduce the cost of disposal and preserve our environment. The single stream facility also brings jobs to Akron and makes recycling more convenient.”

Greenstar has helped cities across the country increase their recycling rates with the convenience of single stream. Akron is now poised for growth and Greenstar expects recycling rates to increase now that single stream is available for businesses, residential subdivisions and municipalities throughout central and northeast Ohio.

“GreenStar has returned an existing building to a manufacturing purpose, and has made significant investments in equipment, building use and new green jobs,” said Mayor Plusquellic. “The single stream recycling technique used by GreenStar contributes to the growth and sustainability of Akron and furthers the City’s Greenprint for Sustainability, launched in 2008.”

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ABOUT GREENSTAR RECYCLING

Greenstar is one of America's recycling leaders providing sustainable recycling solutions in the recycle processing, commodity upgrading, managed services and commodity trading sectors of the solid waste market. Greenstar launched its North American operations in 2007. The company handles two million tons of recyclables per year, servicing over 12 million customers through a network of 14 processing facilities with over 10,000 managed services locations.

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