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Lithium Symposium

Thanks again for all the information provided at the Lithium Symposium. I have a few questions for the presenters.

For any presenter or mediator that wish to comment:

1) I heard throughout the symposium at Stanford a lot of discussion about harvesting virgin Lithium and not a whole lot about recovering the Lithium that is already in circulation in the form of consumer electronic and EV batteries. Are any of your respective organizations taking part in/ investing or partnering with recycling/recovery efforts of our current Lithium supply and if so what are they?

2) Under Assembly Bill 2832, Cal EPA has convened an advisory group for the purposes of providing legislative advice on how to move forward with the recovery and recycling policies and efforts for Lithium Auto Batteries. Have any of your respective organizations (or you personally) encountered particular programs that have specialized in or effectively absorbed/incorporated the Lithium Auto Battery Waste Stream? What legislative mechanisms have you encountered that make the recycling of this material more streamlined?

For Sean Porse:

1) Are there any particular programs, that can be deployed within 10 years, that are focusing on recycling/recovery methods for Lithium Batteries? If so, what would be a good source for learning more about them?

2) Please provide more specifics regarding the Lithium Battery Supply Chain workshop that you mentioned in your presentation. To be held in May?

Thank you all for your time and information. I appreciate all that you are willing to share. Cheers

Geoff Niswander