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OCRRA Director of Recycling and Waste Reduction Honored by Product Stewardship Institute

Radin receives "Thoughtful Motivator" Award at annual conference in Boston

SYRACUSE, N.Y., September 14, 2017 – The Product Stewardship Institute (PSI), a national, nonprofit committed to reducing the health, safety and environmental impacts of consumer products across their lifecycle, presented Andrew Radin, OCRRA's Director of Recycling and Waste Reduction with the 2017 Thoughtful Motivator award at their annual conference in Boston on July 25, 2017.

"As Chair of the New York Product Stewardship Council and a member of PSI's Board of Directors, Andrew makes a consistent impact on environmental policy through his thoughtfulness, tact, and positive personality. He has spearheaded efforts to build support for numerous extended producer responsibility bills in New York, including for paint, electronics, pharmaceuticals, and batteries," said Scott Cassel, chief executive officer and founder of PSI. "Andrew also played a key role in New York State's textile recovery efforts through the Re-Clothe NY Coalition, for which he helped facilitate landmark standards that establish common messaging and ensure the best possible use of donated textiles."

"Andrew has helped build a world-class recycling system in Onondaga County, inspiring the best resource recovery solution from aluminum cans to zucchini peels," said Dereth Glance, OCRRA executive director. "Andrew empowers others and advocates effectively to advance sustainable material management locally, statewide and in the nation. We are proud to work with him."

About OCRRA: OCRRA is a not-for-profit public benefit corporation created by the New York State Legislature in 1990 to deliver a comprehensive solid waste management and resource recovery system to Onondaga County residents.

OCRRA's system includes: a strong recycling and composting program, a foundation for local waste disposal at the Waste-to-Energy Facility, two convenient trash and recycling drop off sites, a robust education component and programs for hard to manage materials, such as household hazardous waste, batteries, fluorescent bulbs and other mercury-containing devices.

OCRRA's award-winning programs are funded by trash drop-off fees and the sale of electricity generated at the Waste-to-Energy Facility in Jamesville, NY. Learn more and get involved at <u>www.OCRRA.org</u>, or follow us on <u>Facebook</u>.

About the <u>Product Stewardship Institute</u> (**PSI**): PSI is a national, membership-based nonprofit committed to reducing the health, safety, and environmental impacts of consumer products across their lifecycle with a strong focus on sustainable end-of-life management. Headquartered in Boston, Mass., PSI takes a unique product stewardship approach to solving waste management problems by encouraging product design changes and mediating stakeholder dialogues. With 47 state environmental agency members, along with hundreds of local government members from coast-to-coast, and 110 corporate, business, academic, non-U.S. government, and organizational partners, we work to design, implement, evaluate, strengthen, and promote both legislative and voluntary product stewardship initiatives across North America. Like us on <u>Facebook</u> or follow us on <u>Twitter</u>.

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