

# Wheelabrator Westchester sponsors highway clean up of Route 9 corridor

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**HAMPTON, N.H. - October 27, 2008** - Wheelabrator Westchester, L.P., today announces it has adopted the four-mile stretch of Route 9 in Peekskill to support the CLEAN (Committing to Litter Enforcement and Adopting Neighborhoods) Peekskill Initiative and the state's Adopt-A-Highway program.

The CLEAN Peekskill Initiative, led by Councilwoman Drew Claxton and resident Jo Cunningham, has been aggressively working over the past several months to tackle long-standing quality of life issues such as like litter.

"I am excited Wheelabrator is pitching in to keep our highway clean. Last month, our committee presented a series of recommendations to the common council and we are now working on putting our plans into action," said Peekskill Councilwoman Claxton. "Wheelabrator is the committee's first partnership and together we have already made a visible impact on our community by ensuring our roadways are litter-free and beautiful."

Since 1990, New York State's Adopt-A-Highway program allows individuals, groups and businesses to sponsor and/or volunteer to clean up highway roadsides. The goal is to foster community ownership and civic pride amongst area residents and businesses.

"As an environmental company and a responsible corporate citizen, Wheelabrator believes in 'giving back' to our communities by supporting programs where the environment benefits from progressive community support and involvement," said Peter Kendrigan, Wheelabrator Westchester plant manager. "Wheelabrator recognizes the passion behind the CLEAN Peekskill Initiative and we are proud to be partner."

## **About Wheelabrator Westchester, L.P.**

Located in Peekskill, New York, the Wheelabrator Westchester waste-to-energy facility provides dependable, environmentally safe disposal of municipal solid waste for Westchester County, while generating clean, renewable electricity for sale to the local utility. Designed, constructed and operated by Wheelabrator, Wheelabrator Westchester supports 850,000 residents by processing up to 2,250 tons per day of municipal solid. Wheelabrator Westchester has an electrical generating capacity of 60,000 kilowatts; the equivalent of supplying the electrical needs of 88,000 New York homes.

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