

**New York State
Environmental Investment Program
Capital Project Summary
New York Rubber Recycling**

Project Background

Recovery Technologies Group (RTG), is a major producer of crumb rubber for athletic fields and rubber mulch used in landscaping and for playgrounds. RTG operates numerous regional tire recycling facilities in North America.

RTG was targeted for attraction to New York State by Empire State Development. This effort resulted from the state's interest in attracting more reliable, high volume tire processing operation. RTG was identified as a key player in the rubber recycling industry based on their involvement in a major recall of SUV tires that resulted in the generation of millions of tires that could no longer be used.

Project Description

In an effort to attract the company, ESD awarded an \$800,000 capital grant to the Schenectady County Economic Development Corporation to assist NYRR with equipment purchases for the establishment of new tire processing facility. The new operation,

referred to as NY Rubber Recycling (NYRR), was formed by RTG to oversee all operations in New York State. This ambient grinding rubber manufacturing facility is located in the Rotterdam Industrial Park, Schenectady County. Along with crumb rubber, the facility generates colored mulch for landscaping and playgrounds. RTG also established a storage and distribution facility in western New York at the Seneca Army Depot.

Project Results

As a result of this project, NYRR established a facility that processes over 2.5 million tires annually. The project also resulted in the creation of 30 jobs. Now in its second year of operations, NYRR expects its annual tire recycling rate at the Rotterdam facility to almost double to 5 million. After RTG went under corporate reorganization - NYRR became affiliated with Permalife Corp.

Contractor:	Schenectady County EDC	NYS EIP Investment:	\$800,000
County:	Schenectady	Contractor Match:	\$1,068,152
ESD Region:	Capital Region	Total:	\$1,868,152
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