

Partnerships in Materials Management

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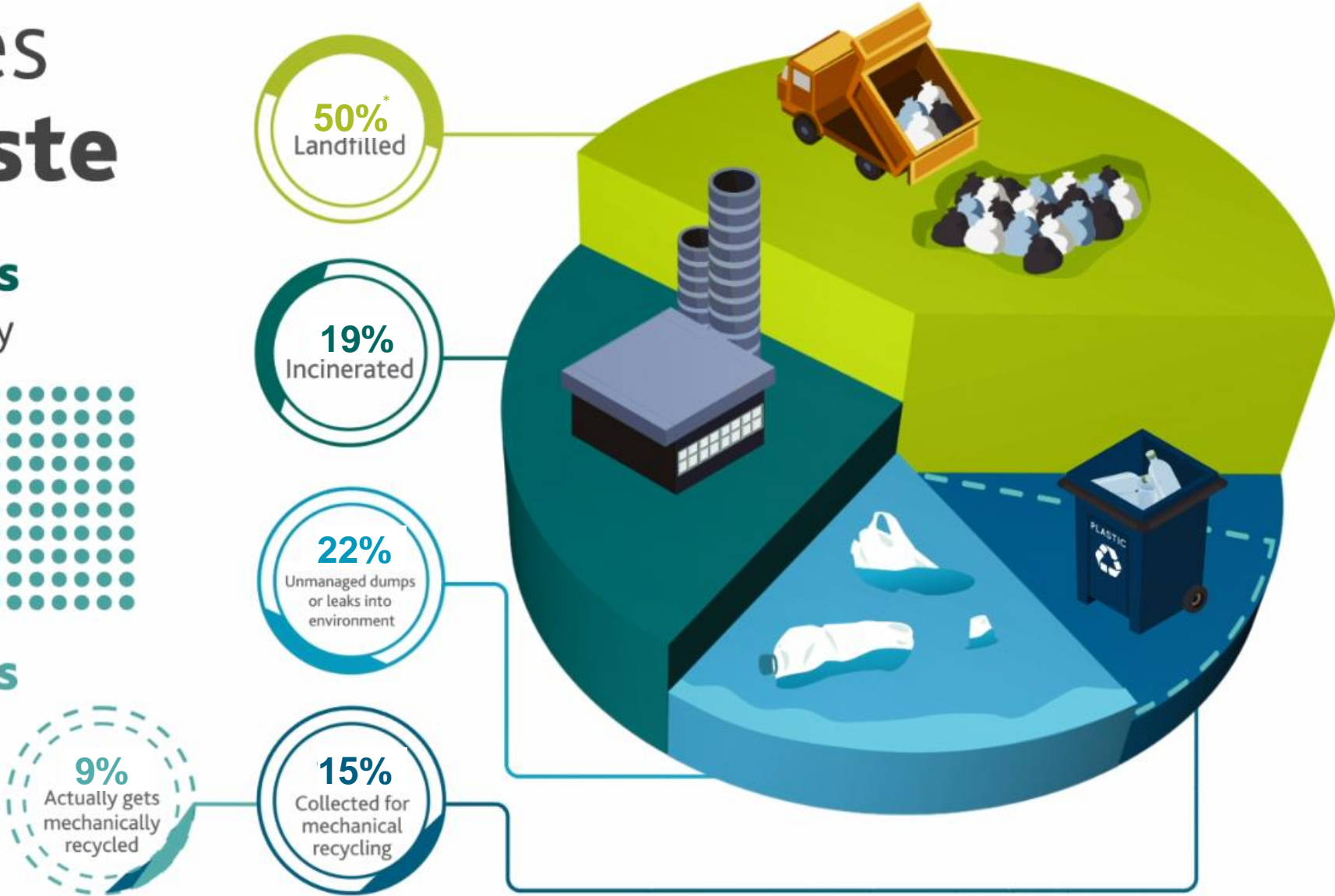
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Opportunities going to waste














460 million metric tons of plastics are produced globally



353 million metric tons of plastics are disposed



Mechanical recycling is not enough to solve the plastic waste problem.

		Common Uses	Share of Plastic Waste Generated	Mechanically Recycled?
 PETE	Polyethylene Terephthalate	Bottles	14%	Yes (clear) ~ 30% recycle rate
		Films, Forms, Other		X
		Textiles	N/A	Very Little
		Carpet	N/A	Very Little
 HDPE	High Density Polyethylene		17%	Yes ~ 9% recycle rate Natural HDPE ~ 31%
 PVC	Polyvinyl Chloride		3%	X
 LDPE	Low Density Polyethylene		23%	Very Little
 PP	Polypropylene		23%	Very Little
 PS	Polystyrene		7%	X
 OTHER	Other (acrylic, polycarbonate, PETG, mixed plastics)		13%	Very Little <i>Diversity of materials risks contamination</i>

69%

Most mechanical recycling results in **downcycling** into lower value products that eventually are landfilled.

Generated share & recycled share of material sent to US Municipal Solid Waste in 2017 reported as recycled by US EPA. "Combusted" materials not considered recycled. Total of 32,120,000 MT discarded. Recyclability from OurWorldinData.org


To turn this vision into reality...



Eastman follows six key principles:

1 
Reduce, Reuse, Recycle


We prioritize the reduction, reuse, and recycling of plastics packaging.

2 
Material to Material

Plastics are recovered using high yield, material-to-material recycling.

3 
Quality of Life


Demonstrate Lower GHG's vs. virgin; Meet/exceed regulations to improve quality of life for employees & communities.

4 
Complementary

We enable a waste ecosystem where mechanical & molecular recycling are complementary

5 
Economical

Technologies are economically efficient for long-term success.

6 
Transparent

Claims are clear, transparent & accountable with 3rd-party certifications.

How can we renew the recycling system?

The critical connection between public policy, advanced technologies, and recycling capacity

