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## **Erie Renewable Energy selects technology providers for tire-to-energy plant**

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Plans for a tire-to-energy plant on Erie's East Side moved a step forward Tuesday.

Erie Renewable Energy said it has selected two experienced power industry companies to provide the technology for the plant it plans to build in east Erie.

The plant would convert 800 tons of scrap tires a day into electrical power.

Sumitomo Heavy Industries of Japan, a licensee of Foster Wheeler North America Corp., is to supply the fluidized bed boilers the plant will use. ERE said there are six other tire-fueled energy plants in Japan and South Korea that use Sumitomo's technology.

Babcock Power Environmental, a subsidiary of Babcock Power Inc. of Danvers, Mass., will provide the air quality control equipment that ERE said will enable the plant to meet state standards.

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