Commercial Plastics Recycling was founded in 1996 and has facilities in Newton, N.C. and four other states on the east coast. Commercial Plastics collects damaged PVC pipes and other materials from contractors, waste haulers, and pipe producers in North Carolina and surrounding states. The company uses heavy-duty equipment to grind and shred these plastics into small flakes. Commercial Plastics then removes all metals and other contaminants from the plastic flakes, and then sells them to manufacturers that produce items like PVC pipes, automotive fabrics, plastic containers and other packaging products.

Commercial Plastics Recycling was awarded a $20,000 grant from the Recycling Business Assistance Center (RBAC) to purchase a pipe grinder that will enable the Newton facility to process larger PVC pipes. Commercial Plastics was previously limited to sourcing materials from small-scale contracting and installation projects. The addition of the grinder provides much needed local capacity to process industrial grade pipes from large-scale construction and demolition projects, and local government suppliers. This equipment will create two new full-time jobs and enable Commercial Plastics to increase PVC recycling by more than 1,000 tons annually.

Commercial Plastics Recycling will purchase a pipe grinder to recycle PVC pipes from construction and demolition projects.