

Chapter 70.95N RCW Electronic Product Recycling

Moderate Risk Waste
Coordinators Meetings
September 27 & 28, 2006

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Electronic Product Recycling

- **Scope**
 - Computers – laptop, desktop, portable
 - Computer monitors (all kinds)
 - Televisions (all kinds)
 - Excludes screens 4” or less and certain industrial/commercial applications
- **Covered Entities**
 - Households
 - small business
 - small governments
 - school districts
 - charities
- **Manufacturer Responsibility**
 - All manufacturers must provide recycling services throughout the state
- **Minimum Service Level**
 - One drop off location in cities and towns of 10,000 or larger
 - At least one drop off location in every county

Timeline

- January 1, 2007
 - Manufacturer Registration
 - Product Labeling
 - Collector and Transporter Registration
 - Sales Prohibition
- February 8, 2008
 - Manufacturer plans are due to Ecology for review and approval
- January 1, 2009
 - Manufacturer Plans Fully Implemented

Administrative Rule Development Timeline

- Began Phase 1 Rule Development in April 2006
 - Manufacturer Registration
 - Product Labeling
 - Collector and Transporter Registration
 - Sales Prohibition
 - Penalties for Non-compliance
- Public Comment Period
 - Published Draft Rule July 19, 2006
 - Comment Period Open Through September 7, 2006
 - Anticipate Adoption October 27, 2006

Administrative Rule Development Timeline

- Began Phase 2 Rule Development in Sept. 2006
 - Manufacturer Recycling Plans
 - Performance Standards for Processors, Collectors, and Transporters
 - Methods of Determining Manufacturer Share of Responsibility
 - Performance Balancing
 - Public Information Requirements
 - Ecology's Duties Related to the Materials Management and Finance Authority.
 - Enforcement and Compliance

Administrative Rule Development Timeline

- Draft Phase 2 Rules Published April 2007
- Public Comment Period Through June 2007
- Adoption August 2007
- Effective Date September 2007

Benefits

- Least cost alternative for consumers and governments
- Relies on competitive market economy
- Engages all players at the level they are responsible for products

National Goings On

- Due to states initiating programs, industry is working with Congress to create a national program
 - Hope to introduce bill in January
 - Financing historic and orphan product recycling still a sticking point
 - Manufacturers want national program to preempt state programs

