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2020 Brand Allotment Assignments

The Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RIDEM) together with the Rhode Island Resource Corporation (RIRRC) have finalized all computer equipment return share and television market shares. The final allotments by weight can be found at http://rirrc.org/questions/e-waste/ by downloading the ‘2020 Manufacturer’s Shares’ file.

The shares were calculated and approved pursuant to Rhode Island Electronic Waste Prevention, Reuse and Recycling Act (R.I. General Law 23-24.10) http://webserver.rilin.state.ri.us/Statutes/TITLE23/23-24.10/INDEX.HTM. The Rhode Island statewide recycling target for 2020 is based on 5.5 pounds per person and the 2018 census population of 1,057,315 persons. The total target of 5,815,233 pounds is allocated between computer equipment (12.40%) and televisions (87.60%) based on the percentages from the state-run program for quantities collected in 2018. Likewise, the computer equipment brand returns were obtained from a 100% brand sample of the state-run collection program during 2018 and used to allocate computer returns share among brands. The television market-share data for the 12 months ending December 31, 2018, obtained from the Electronics Recycling Coordination Clearinghouse, was utilized to allocate television collection shares.

RIRRC has been approved for the state-run program cost to be billed at $0.27 per pound in 2020.

As a reminder, please review the following legislative changes for Rhode Island:

A bill to revise the Rhode Island Electronic Waste Prevention, Reuse and Recycling Act has been signed into law:

- Registration and plan submittal deadlines have been moved to October 15th. Register at https://ecycleregistration.org/Login.aspx

- Manufactures may now carry over a credit (or deficit) of 10% of their allotment to the following year. If a manufacturer collects an amount under 90% of its allotment, it will be required to purchase the difference between its amount and 90% of the allotment from the State at a rate of $0.30/lb. Anything above 10% over its allotment is forfeit or may be sold to another collector. All sales must be documented on a template provided by the Department or they will not be counted.

- Manufacturers with less than 5% of the Market or Return Share will automatically be assigned to the State Program.
Quarterly reporting on a template provided by the DEM is mandatory unless the manufacturer is in the State Program.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this notice or the basis of the share calculations, contact RIRRC, Dean Huff at 401-942-1430 or by email at dhuff@rirrc.org. If you have questions regarding the Rhode Island Electronics Waste Prevention, Re-Use and Recycling Act, the registration process, or creating a recycling plan, please contact RI DEM, Alyson Brunelli at 401 222-2797, or via email at alyson.brunelli@dem.ri.gov.

Best Regards,

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Sincerely,

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