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RE: Notice of 2020 Brand Allotment Adjustment

The State of Rhode Island takes great pride in its E-waste Product Stewardship Program which would not exist without the funding of our Original Equipment Manufacturers. We offer you a sincere thank you. Your fees make it possible for us to properly recycle 5.5 LBs of E-waste per Capita. We have set that as a goal for 2018, 2019 and did so again in 2020.

With the current state of the economy however, we are concerned that Rhode Island’s Statewide collection target of weight to be collected will not be met this year. Rather than bill the OEMs in the State Program for 100% of their originally calculated allotments in the Spring, as per usual, we will review the collections totals after the third quarter collection totals have been received by the group programs and revise the Statewide collection target, if needed. At that point, RIRRC will then, most likely in November, bill the OEM’s based on the revised target weight. Therefore, as an example, if the revised Statewide collection target is reduced by 10%, each OEM’s weight responsibility will be reduced by 10% of the weight responsibility currently set. Current weight responsibilities can be found at the link below under the ‘2020 Manufacturers’ Shares’ file:

http://www.rirrc.org/recycling-composting-disposal/electronic-waste

Our goal is to keep our E-waste Program on-track and running smoothly throughout this pandemic. We expect there will be a surge of E-waste to collect when things approach something closer to normalcy. Again, thank you for all you do for Rhode Island.

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 ext 200 or by email at dhuff@rirrc.org or you can contact me at RIDEM Alyson Brunelli at 401 222-4700 ext 7134, or via email at alyson.brunelli@dem.ri.gov.

Best Regards,

Sincerely,

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