

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Department of Energy and Environment



October 27, 2015

Re: DC Act 20-423: Subtitle B: Extended Manufacturer Responsibility for Electronic Waste Rulemaking, Implementation, and Enforcement Schedule

To Whom It May Concern:

[District of Columbia Act 20-423 \(Subtitle B: Extended Manufacturer Responsibility for Electronic Waste\)](#) requires manufacturers of certain electronic equipment to collect and recycle electronic waste generated in the District. Manufacturers, or the partnerships or representative organizations of manufacturers, are required to register with the Department of Energy and Environment (DOEE), pay a registration fee, submit a collection and recycling plan for review by DOEE, and annually report on collection and recycling activities. This letter is to inform affected stakeholders of the updated rulemaking, implementation, and enforcement schedule for the law.

Key dates include the following:

- Guidance on how to identify District properties that could be utilized for ongoing collection opportunities or collection events will be provided at www.doe.dc.gov/ecycle in February 2016.
- A Proposed Rulemaking will be published in the *DC Register* in spring 2016.
- Manufacturers will be able to register online with DOEE by June 1, 2016.
- Enforcement will commence after an extended period of compliance assistance and outreach.

It is recommended that manufacturers use the Proposed Rulemaking to develop collection and recycling plans.

DOEE will post updates and information that may be useful to manufacturers, retailers, and recyclers in developing their plans at www.doe.dc.gov/ecycle. Please email productstewardship@dc.gov, if your question or comment is not addressed on the website, to recommend areas of the program that would benefit from clarification through the Proposed Rulemaking, or if you have questions related to developing implementation plans.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tommy Wells".

Tommy Wells
Director