
WEEE News – December 2012.

Dear readers,

the following topics have been prepared for you this month:

Commodities:	New steel record, upwards tendency in 2013.
Producer responsibility:	Restructuring of ear?
The Recycler's View:	Data and- recycling quality in the focus of Digital Europe.
From the countries:	Germany, UK, France, Italy, Belgium, Netherlands, Brazil, Canada.

Commodities: New steel record, upwards tendency in 2012.

Our partner for raw material reports, the IKB Deutsche Industriebank AG (www.ikb.de) confirms the record emission of crude steel of 1.55 billion tonnes until the end of 2012. The growth came primary from Asia. For 2013, an emission of 1.6 billion tonnes will be forecasted. In November, there has been an unexpectedly strong increase in scrap prices. Also for 2013, the IKB expects a slight incline.

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Producer responsibility: Restructuring of ear

In the context of the last ExFo meeting “international material prohibitions, RoHS, REACH, EuP, as well as ElektroG/WEEE” of the Fraunhofer IPA on the 6th December 2012, Mrs. Nathalie Buijs from the industrial association SPECTARIS (www.spectaris.de) spoke about the possibilities of the member's interest group. SPECTARIS has founded a new working group “electrical devices” with the “Stiftung elektro-altgeräte-register ©” (ear), which should be about the restructuring of ear. Especially, the “aspects B2B/B2C” should be taken stronger into consideration in future.

Source: Meeting documents Fraunhofer IPA, Expert Forum on 6th December 2012, slide presentation SPECTARIS, page 65

Italy: RENE AG as WEEE-take-back system confirmed

On the 13th December 2012 the RENE AG Italia, Brixen, has been officially accepted by general assembly of the Centro di Coordinamento RAEE(CdC, RAEE, www.cdcrree.it) as a new member. The regional allocation of the pick-up area will take place on 24th April 2013.

Interested parties please refer to italia@rene-europe.com

Source: RENE AG Italia,
http://www.cdcrree.it/GetPage.pub_do?id=402882a12ed6e4ea012ed8cece300951

Belgium: Recupel picks up for free.

The Belgian take-back system Recupel has launched a take-back action, on which all used electrical devices are picked up from the end-user for free. The registration takes place online.

Source: http://portal.recupel.be/pls/portal/backoffice.onetime_di.welcome

Netherlands: Responsibility shifts from Agentshap NL.

Beginning of 1st January 2013 the responsibility for WEEE, Batteries and packaging will be given to the Inspectie Leefomgeving en Transport and not anymore from Agentshap NL.

Brazil: Draft legislation to Reverse Manufacturing of WEEE.

A new draft legislation to protect the environment and health with regard to reuse from WEEE in the production has been published in Brazil. Submissions are possible until the 7th January 2013.

Source: <http://www.complianceandrisk.com/>

Canada: Newfoundland and Labrador implements WEEE-regulation

In Newfoundland and Labrador a specific WEEE-legislation remain valid, now. To the end of February, concerned producers have to show the responsible authorities their solutions for collection and recycling of used electrical devices.

Source: <http://www.gov.nl.ca/>

We thank our readers for their trust in the past year and wish them a merry Christmas and a successful new year 2013!

Your RENE Team