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## The Covered Device Recycling (Act 108) of 2010

Electronics products constitute one of the fastest growing streams of today's consumer and commercial waste. In November 2010, the Pennsylvania General Assembly passed the CDRA, which establishes a number of requirements for individuals and entities involved throughout the life cycle of certain "covered" electronic devices.

Covered devices include: **desktop computers, laptop computers, computer monitors, computer peripherals and televisions.**

**Beginning January 24, 2013**, a disposal ban on covered devices goes into effect in Pennsylvania. From this point forward, no person may dispose of a covered device, or any of its components, with their municipal solid waste. These devices and their components must be properly recycled and may not be taken to, nor accepted by, landfills or other solid waste disposal facilities for disposal.

- **Consumers:** The CDRA defines a consumer as "An occupant of a single detached dwelling unit or a single unit of a multiple dwelling unit who has used a covered device primarily for personal or small business use."
  - May not dispose of their covered devices with municipal waste.
  - Must take their covered devices to an electronics collection location for proper recycling.
  
- **Haulers:**
  - May not intentionally accept covered devices for disposal from any source of waste, and may not knowingly commingle covered devices with waste destined for disposal.
  - Covered devices that are collected from consumers through electronics collection programs in Pennsylvania must continue to be transferred to certified electronics recycling facilities