

Newsletter from January 24th, 2008

1.

European WEEE market creates new growth opportunities!

欧洲WEEE指令市场创造新的增长机会!

- Electronic manufacturers must invest in the appropriate structures for regulatory compliance with environmental agencies!
- The impact of WEEE and RoHS!



- 电子产品制造商必须为遵守环保法规对适当的结构进行投资!
- WEEE和RoHS指令的影响!

Electronic manufacturers must invest in the appropriate structures for regulatory compliance with environmental agencies as well as for the transport and recycling of electrical and electronic equipment (EEE) they place in the European Economic Area.



As compliance obligations create flux in manufacturers' organizational structures, reporting, and outsourcing needs, new opportunities for other sectors, including third party logistics (3PL), have arisen.

The Automotive & Transportation Group at Frost & Sullivan is pleased to announce its 2008 Quarterly Analyst Briefing Presentation on the European Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) market to be held on Thursday, January 31, 2008 at 3:00 pm GMT.

Highlights of the briefing include: assessment of the impact of WEEE and restriction of hazardous substances (RoHS) on electronic manufacturers' supply chain and compliance obligations, impact on key stakeholders such as government, municipalities, transport service providers, and the recycling industry, as well as opportunities for 3PL service providers in the WEEE market.

"As the industry settles into structures for ensuring compliance to WEEE and RoHS obligations, logistics companies are well positioned to launch themselves as approved transport carriers of EEE waste and to provide select compliance obligations for reporting on EEE placed in the European Economic Area and waste recycled," notes Frost & Sullivan Senior Research Analyst Aarthi Nandakumar. "3PL service providers also stand to offer value by developing partnerships with recycling schemes and manufacturers for a dedicated and total solution."

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IPC submitted comments to the RoHS directive !



IPC 提交了对RoHS 指令的评论!

- IPC Urges EU Commission to Aim for Science-based Regulations with Thorough Consideration of Life Cycle Impacts!
- IPC is a global trade association with over 275 member companies located in the European Union!
- IPC催促欧盟委员会，目的是实现充分考虑到产品生命周期的影响并且以科学为基础的法规!
- IPC是一个全球性的商业协会，此协会由275个以上位于欧盟的公司成员组成!

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The Review of the Directive 2002/95/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment, Invitation for Comments on Policy Options and for Information Supply The IPC - Association Connecting Electronics Industries Government Relations and Environment, Health and Safety Committees submit the following comments to the European Commission regarding the Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS) Directive Review.

IPC urges the Commission to avoid restricting additional substances, eliminating existing technology exemptions or adding additional electronics equipment to the RoHS scope while industry, governments and the public are still facing a variety of implementation challenges. Any expansion of the RoHS scope, including removal of existing exemptions must be thoroughly reviewed for technical feasibility. Should the Commission deem additional substance bans to be absolutely necessary, a full life cycle assessment of the substance and its substitutes must be conducted in order to ensure that the substitution does not have unintended adverse environmental and human health impacts.

IPC believes that any further substance restrictions beyond RoHS would more appropriately be addressed under the current REACH (Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemicals) Directive to avoid unnecessary confusion and regulatory overlaps. IPC is a global trade association with over 275 member companies located in the European Union. IPC represents all facets of the electronics interconnect industry, including design, printed circuit board manufacturing and electronics assembly. Printed circuit boards and electronic assemblies are vital components of all electronic devices including computers, cell phones, pacemakers, and sophisticated missile defense systems.

Source: evertiq

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WEEE in Cyprus!

WEEE: 塞浦路斯!

<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Currently there is still no collective system approved and working!- Currently producers do not fulfil their obligations individually but wait for the approval of the first collective scheme!	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 目前没有回收体系被批准和运行!- 目前，生产商并没有独自履行义务而是等待集体回收计划的批准!
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In Cyprus the new year (including the EURO implementation) did not cause major local changes regarding the WEEE legislation and management.

Currently there is still no collective system approved and working. The only system under formation is the one that is administered by Green Dot (Cyprus) Public Co Ltd on behalf of the organization WEEE Electrocyclusis Cyprus Ltd (former EDAHHE).

They have applied for the accreditation of the system on 4 September 2007 aiming for a license for a 6 years period. They have gone through two evaluation meetings with the relevant accreditation committee and hope that in a few weeks they will have the first and only WEEE accredited collective system in Cyprus.

They are planning to be able about 6 months after the accreditation to start the organized collection of WEEE in Cyprus from around the island.

More than 100 importers of WEEE already participate as shareholders or members to the System and this number is growing day by day. Among these members there one can already find all the major importers holding the largest share of the market.

But there is still a large number of importers not complying with the WEEE regulations as the government has not found effective ways to push companies to implement the Law. Currently producers do not fulfil their obligations individually but wait for the approval of the first collective scheme.

It is hoped that with the accreditation of the system things will change positively. Anyway the EU targets for 4kg of household WEEE are for 2008 only. So Cyprus is having one more year to organise the WEEE collection to be able to meet the given targets.

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