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Recycle Old or Obsolete Electronic Devices with CRRA State's Largest Recycler Offers 9 Fall Collections

HARTFORD, Conn. – The Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority, the state's largest recycler, has scheduled nine residential electronics collections this fall.

Since CRRA began its electronics recycling program in 1999, 45,349 families have delivered more than 4 million pounds of electronics.

"CRRA's incredibly successful electronics recycling program has provided Connecticut residents for the past eight years with the opportunity to safely recycle their computers and other electronics and now we're expanding again. That's good for the environment," said Thomas P. Gaffey, CRRA's head of recycling.

CRRA contracts with ECO International, the nation's leader in electronics recycling, to keep these items out of the waste stream. ECO International dismantles items into their raw materials, such as copper, steel, aluminum, glass and plastic, which are sold to processors who turn them into new products.

The complete fall electronics recycling schedule:

- <u>Saturday, Sept. 13 in Norwalk</u>, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Norwalk Highway Garage, 15 South Smith Street. This collection is for residents of Bridgeport Project towns only.
- <u>Saturday, Sept. 20, in Glastonbury</u>, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Glastonbury Highway Department, 2380 New London Turnpike. This collection is for residents of Mid-Connecticut Project towns only.
- <u>Saturday, Sept. 27, in Southbury</u>, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Southbury Fire Department, 461 Main Street South. This collection is for residents of Mid-Connecticut Project towns only.
- <u>Saturday, Oct. 11, in Trumbull</u>, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the commuter parking lot on Route 111 (Main Street) at Route 25. This collection is for residents of Bridgeport Project towns only.
- <u>Saturday, Oct. 18, in Harwinton</u>, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Torrington Water Pollution Control Plant, 252 Bogue Road. This collection is for residents of Mid-Connecticut Project towns only.
- <u>Saturday, Oct. 25, in Meriden</u>, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Meriden Lincoln Middle School, 164 Centennial Avenue. This collection is for residents of Wallingford Project towns only.
- <u>Saturday, Nov. 1, in West Hartford</u>, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the West Hartford Town Yard, 17 Brixton Street. This collection is for residents of Mid-Connecticut Project towns only.

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- <u>Saturday, Nov. 8, in Essex</u>, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the CRRA transfer station, Town Dump Road (off Exit 4 of Route 9). This collection is for residents of Mid-Connecticut Project towns only.
- <u>Saturday, Nov. 15, in Hartford</u>, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the CRRA Trash Museum, 211 Murphy Road. This collection is for residents of Mid-Connecticut Project towns only.

Those interested in participating should call their city or town public works departments or visit http://www.crra.org/pages/project_map.htm to see whether their towns are eligible and which collection will accept their recyclables. The schedule with links to locator maps for each collection site can be found on CRRA's Web site at http://www.crra.org/pages/schedule_electronics.htm.

The Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority is a quasi-public agency whose mission is to work for – and in – the best interests of the municipalities of the state of Connecticut. CRRA's new board of directors and new management team develop and implement environmentally sound solutions and best practices for solid waste disposal and recycling management on behalf of municipalities. CRRA's four solid waste projects serve 118 Connecticut cities and towns. CRRA also runs environmental and recycling educational programs through the Trash Museum in Hartford and Garbage Museum in Stratford. For more information about CRRA and its activities, visit http://www.crra.org. Computer users can also discuss CRRA at its blog, http://crra-blog.blogspot.com.