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Green light for CCR REBAT, the proven return system for waste device batteries

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Since 1 December 2009 the new German Batteries Act (*Batteriegelgesetz – BattG*) has been in force, which requires traders and importers of device batteries to properly recycle any batteries or accumulators that they bring into circulation. CCR Deutschland AG has consequently checked CCR REBAT, the manufacturing company's own return system for waste device batteries, to ensure it complies with these new legal requirements. The green light has now been given by the Bavarian State Ministry of the Environment and Public Health (*StMUG*): "CCR REBAT" is fit for the new requirements.

REBAT was founded in October 1998 with the introduction of the first battery regulations; since then, the REBAT collection and recycling rates have risen continuously. With over 100 participants in the system, CCR REBAT is the second largest approved return system for waste device batteries in Germany.

Marc Zube, CEO of CCR Logistics Systems AG
Reverse Logistics Group: CCR REBAT has over ten years of experience in the collection and recycling of waste batteries and is ideally prepared for the increased requirements resulting from Germany's new Batteries Act. CCR REBAT has a nation-wide collection infrastructure: with a current collection rate of 44%, CCR REBAT already fulfils the collection rate of over 35% which is not prescribed by law until 2012."

In addition to Germany, CCR REBAT is also present with approved collection systems for waste device batteries in Great Britain, Italy, Poland, Hungary and in future in Romania.

Further information can be found at www.ccrrebat.com.

The new German Batteries Act (*BattG*) ...

... came into force on 1 December 2009. The Batteries Act implements the European Directive on Waste Batteries and Accumulators in national law and sets binding collection targets for standard waste batteries: 35% by 2012 and 45% by 2016. The Batteries Act furthermore restricts the use of cadmium and mercury. The responsibility to take back and dispose of waste batteries and accumulators continues to fall to the manufacturers, importers and distributors, with the return of waste batteries being largely conducted through retailers. All manufacturers and importers are now obliged to register with the Federal Environment Agency and provide details of how they will be organising the recycling. According to the new Batteries Act, every retailer or importer of waste batteries is responsible for the proper recycling of any batteries or accumulators that they bring into circulation.

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