

# WEEE IRELAND ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT TWENTY FIFTEEN



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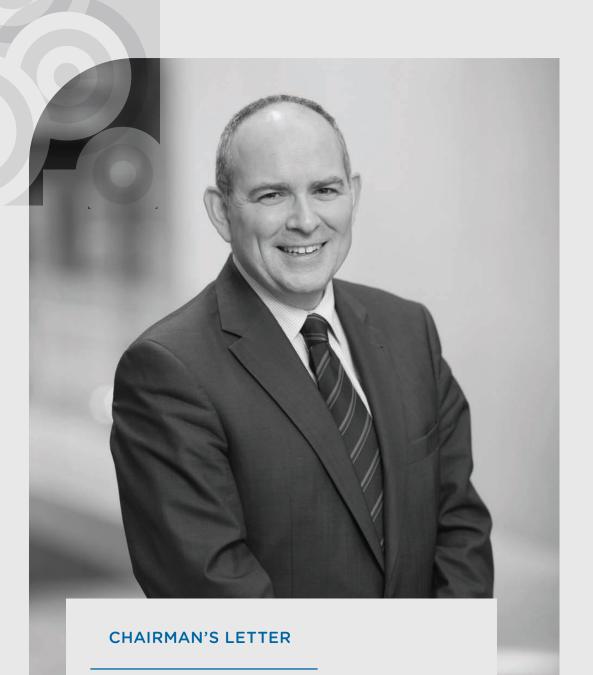
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### Dear Member,

Once again the team in WEEE Ireland has put in another excellent year and with the continued support of all our stakeholders we have seen our volumes recycled increase by over 15%. Our tonnages now being recycled exceed 30,000 tonnes and per capita rates of recycling are as a consequence also rising. This year has seen a full year's operations under our agreed 2020 Plan, incorporating a stronger working relationship with the Retailer base and the figures to date are proving positive. Your WEEE Ireland Producer Responsibility Scheme is working well and is delivering on its targets.

As each year goes by, the level of Historical waste (EEE Placed on the market prior to 13th August 2005) required to be recycled reduces. With this in mind we have begun to provide for new WEEE arising and this has meant an increase in the level of RMC's we charge to our Members. This is a trend that is set to continue and is a significant future challenge to the organisation as we seek to minimise these costs to our Producer Members. With the increasing success of the scheme in collecting greater volumes for processing and the current low values of metals pricing our scope to keep prices low is being severely tested. Fortunately, the prudent financial planning that the Board has pursued has seen the organisation create and hold sufficient reserves to mitigate against future spikes in costs and should permit us to maintain our planned rate of increase over the coming years. Your Board is very conscious of the effects of these costs on you our Members and we have reinforced our commitment to remain competitive through regularly benchmarking our activities and costs against our European colleagues, improving the flow of communications through increased Category meetings. This year will see a targeted communications program aimed at getting this information directly to the key decision makers in your organisations.

Throughout this Annual Report you will see that the team in WEEE Ireland are involved in quite a challenging range of activities with a strong emphasis on raising public awareness, delivering a real community service that the consumer can empathise with, improving communications particularly in schools to create that early social responsibility and in providing a comprehensive quality service to Members in terms of collections, advice, cost minimisation and audits to ensure that the service we offer is fair and equitable for all.

Once again I would like to place on record my thanks to my fellow Board Members for their time and contributions and also to acknowledge the dedication and commitment of our CEO, Leo Donovan and his executive team for once again raising the bar in terms of producing another excellent performance.

Yours Sincerely **Kieran Whelan, Chairman,** 

Board of Directors, WEEE Ireland.



Members of the Board of Directors, WEEE Ireland.

### **OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

### THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors work under a strong governance ethos with business controls determining and driving their corporate responsibilities specified under the following framework documents;

- WEEE Ireland Memorandum & Articles of Association 2010
- WEEE and Waste Battery Regulatory requirements for Approved Bodies
- WEEE Ireland Scheme Corporate Governance Charter 2010 (Appendix 2)

#### 2015 WEEE Ireland Board of Directors

### Mr Kieran Whelan

Role: Director / Chairman
Company: Independent

#### Mr Michael O'Shea

Role: Director/ Vice Chairman Company: Independent

Representing Category: 4, Batteries

### **Ms Claire Penny**

Role: Director

Company: IBM Ireland
Representing Category: 3

### Mr Cel O'Reilly

Role: Director

**Company:** Philips Electronics

Representing Category: 2, 5, Batteries

### **Mr Des McCormack**

Role: Director

Company: Independent Representing Category: 1

### **Mr Joe Cunniam**

Role: Director

Company: Origo Ltd

Representing Category: 6, Batteries, SME

### **Mr Patrick Lynch**

Role: Director

Company: Independent

### **Mr Martin Byrne**

Role: Director
Company: Dimpco

Representing Category: 1, 2, SME

### **Mr Paul Egan**

Role: Director / Secretary
Company: Independent

### **Mr Thomas Barillot**

Role: Director
Company: Apple

**Representing Category:** 

3, 4, Batteries

### Mr Leo Donovan

Role: Director / CEO
Company: WEEE Ireland





### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

### Chairman Kieran Whelan's Corporate Governance Report

The Board of Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Limited (WEEE Ireland) take its responsibilities very seriously and in fulfilment of the duties which as Directors, we are obliged to execute, have drafted and approved a detailed Corporate Governance Document outlining the principles which govern the Boards' conduct. This document addresses specific areas and is regularly reviewed and updated to strengthen any of our processes which the board needs to be conscious of or take action on.

This document sets out the role of the Board, its composition, matters requiring Board decisions, the role and constitution of its various sub-committees, the company's strategy in relation to operational and investment matters, the support available to the directors, the induction program for new directors, director's remuneration and the normal reporting requirements of the company.

This year has seen a number of changes occur in our Board membership. Thomas Barillot has succeeded Jean Cox-Kearns in representing Category 3, ICT sector and in 2016 Declan Moylan succeeds Paul Egan as one of our Independent Directors. Both are eminently qualified and I am sure will provide an objective contribution to Board activities. Whilst Jean Cox-Kearns was only with us for a short time, Paul Egan has been a valued advisor and his knowledge and guidance throughout his tenure was both instructive and invaluable. We wish them both well and I would like to express my thanks on behalf of all my fellow Board Members for their commitment and diligence to serving WEEE Ireland. This year too will see the further implementation of our Board renewal program in line with our succession planning and governance principles. It is an important part of the succession planning that we rotate Directors to ensure a fresh outlook in terms of approach and experience and I can assure you that this will be managed transparently and with the best interests of the company and you, our Members in mind.

I also attach a schedule listing those meetings which were tabled and individual Directors were entitled to attend.

I am pleased to confirm to you that the Company was fully compliant with its Corporate Governance Code.

Yours Sincerely

Kieran Whelan, Chairman,

Board of Directors, WEEE Ireland.

### **CEO'S REPORT**

### Dear Member,

As we enter into our second decade of WEEE recycling we look at how we can provide better and more cost effective compliance for our Members. 2015 was a transition year for WEEE Ireland. We saw our all-time highest collection volumes of WEEE and waste batteries, our recyclers achieved WEEElabex standards and we completed our first full year of our new innovative Retailer "We'll Take it Back" Programme.

This leads us into the next ten years, with challenging targets for both WEEE and batteries, higher recycling and resources efficiency standards and a very volatile resource recovery market. Over the next ten years we will see the end of the historic liability, technology changes and new types of chemical batteries. All of these developments will present different challenges for WEEE Ireland. In addition to this we will be working with a new Minister and Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment.

The new EU draft package on the Circular Economy will focus Producer's minds on the design, durability, reparability, reusability as well as recyclability of their products. The use of hazardous material in new products will also be restricted further, all leading to a better and more sustainable environment.

In order to ensure that we are at the forefront of developments of best practice in Europe WEEE Ireland will play an active role in the European organisations such as Eucobat, WEEE Europe and The WEEE Forum. We recognise that the cost of recycling to the Producers is increasing as we takeback more WEEE and batteries and as the value of the resources remain low resulting in increasing demands on WEEE Ireland to ensure we review all possible economic solutions for our Members.

Thank you for you your continued support of WEEE Ireland over the past 10 years. We have delivered a very cost effective solution for you and will endeavour to do the same over the next 10 years. All this would not be possible without our very professional, experienced and loyal management team and the excellent guidance from the Board of Directors, led by our very committed and capable Chairman who have all worked constantly on your behalf.

Wishing your organisation the very best.

Leo Donovan, CEO,

WEEE Ireland



### **TRANSPARENCY**

WEEE Ireland has continually promoted an ethos of corporate transparency when reporting on its activities to its Members and other stakeholders. The Annual Environmental and Financial reports are published for open access viewing on the WEEE Ireland website and actively promoted across the Scheme's other media channels throughout the year.

WEEE Ireland engages with its Members, trade associations and other stakeholders in the regulatory, waste management and environmental sectors to promote the Producer Responsibility charter it holds on behalf of WEEE and Battery Producers.

Since 2005 WEEE Ireland has worked with and alongside the IBEC umbrella trade associations ICT Ireland, WGA and CEDA, as well as Lighting Europe's Irish representative Recolight. Throughout 2015 WEEE Ireland also met and engaged with other electrical and battery trade and sector representative groups including HAI, Retail Excellence Ireland, Fegime, EMDA, AECI and BIBPA.

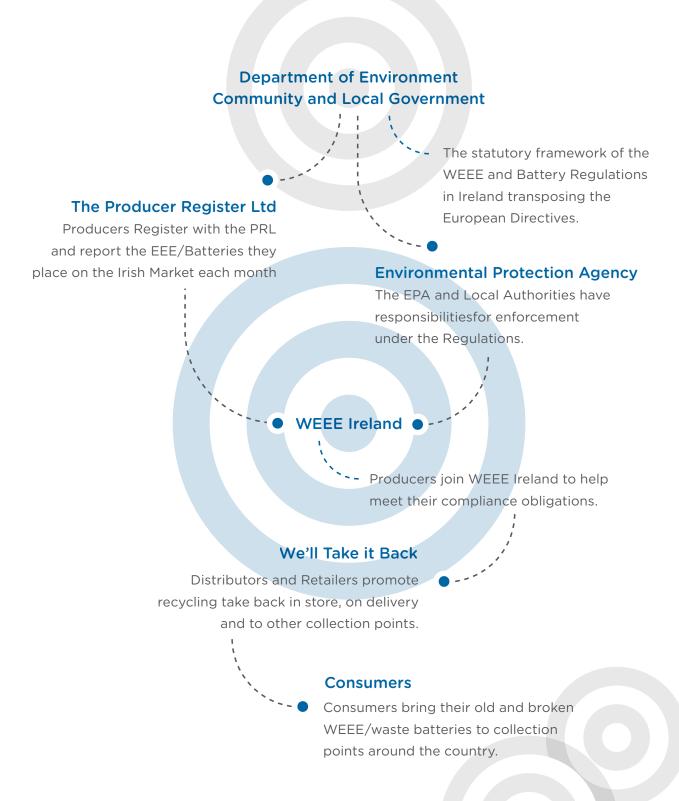
### **STAKEHOLDERS**

WEEE Ireland is the largest Compliance Scheme for the Management of Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) and waste batteries in Ireland. The Scheme works with a community of organisations on behalf of its Members to help meet their Producer Responsibilities under Irish legislation. Ireland has European Directive targets to achieve as part of its obligation to managing waste in an environmentally friendly and more resource efficient manner. These objectives cannot be achieved without a multi stakeholder approach to WEEE and battery systems.

Since 2005 WEEE Ireland has worked with Regulatory, Private and Public entities to help meet the collection, recycling and recovery objectives of its Members. WEEE Ireland's statutory approval from the Minister for the Environment requires cooperation across the value chain of WEEE and battery system stakeholders;



# IN 2015 THE WEEE AND WASTE BATTERY SYSTEMS IN IRELAND OPERATED UNDER THE FOLLOWING FRAMEWORK



### **WEEE & BATTERY COLLECTIONS**

As part of the approval by the Department of the Environment, WEEE Ireland is chartered to collect, treat and recover household electrical, electronic and battery waste arising in a defined geographical area in Ireland, covering circa 75% of the population.

WEEE Ireland has developed a successful collection model coordinating contractors, corporate partners and local government to achieve collection targets and recovery rates.

WEEE Ireland is working towards achieving recycling targets for both WEEE and waste batteries in the Republic of Ireland. In 2015 the collection target is to collect circa 8kg of WEEE per head of population. It 2016 this changes to 45% by weight compared to all electrical and electronic goods placed on the market. A collection target of 45% is set for waste portable batteries.

Collection of WEEE in 2015 = 9.04kg per person or...

**30,909** tonnes

Target for WEEE collection in 2015 = circa 8kg per person or...

**25,901** tonnes





### **COLLECTION MODEL**



**Waste Appliances & Batteries** 

Since 2005 WEEE Ireland has collected nearly

300,000

tonnes of household WEEE for recycling in Ireland

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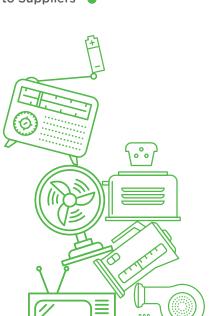
Public Collection Days, Schools, Workplaces & Public Buildings

Retailer Collection Points

Batteries in Blue Battery Boxes

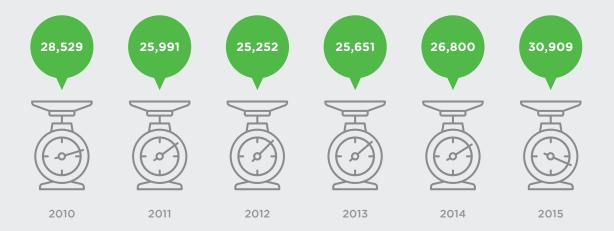
Electrical Waste Appliances
Collected in 5 Families

Waste Automotive & Industrial Batteries are brought back to Suppliers



### WEEE COLLECTION DATA

### WEEE tonnes collected by WEEE Ireland



### WEEE TONNES COLLECTED PER COLLECTION POINT

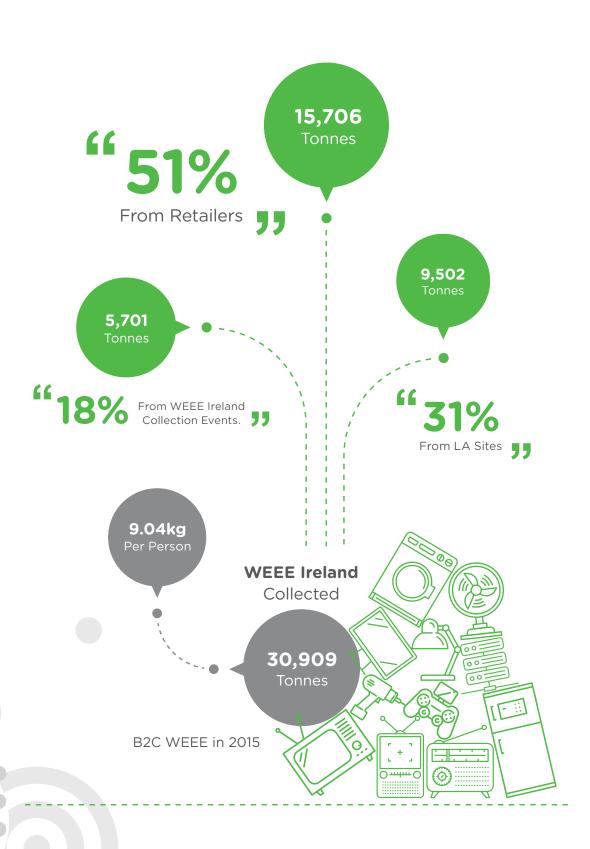
Collection Point Type	<b>2012</b> Tonnes	<b>2013</b> Tonnes	<b>2014</b> Tonnes	<b>2015</b> Tonnes
WEEE Ireland Collection Points*	3,303	4,620	5,062	5,701
Local Authority Sites	10,267	9,576	9,368	9,502
Retailer Sites	11,682	11,456	12,370	15,706
Total	25,252	25,652	26,800	30,909
Population**	3,301,094	3,301,094	3,301,094	3,419,056
Kg Per Person	7.65kg	7.77kg	8.12kg	9.04kg

<sup>\*</sup>Includes Education, Special Events, Waste Industry and Workplace collection points

<sup>\*\*</sup>Population within WEEE Ireland Collection area based on 2011 Census www.CSO.ie, 2015 population includes 2 new counties in the WEEE Ireland collection area - Leitrim & Westmeatle

WEEE IRELAND COLLECTS MORE WEEE FROM RETAILERS AS A PERCENTAGE OF OVERALL TAKEBACK THAN ANY OTHER WEEE FORUM SCHEME IN EUROPE







Collected WEEE from 2,400 different WEEE collection points, over 14,000 individual collections...

This is the equivalent of a small landfill worth of waste diverted for recycling and recovery in Ireland in one year

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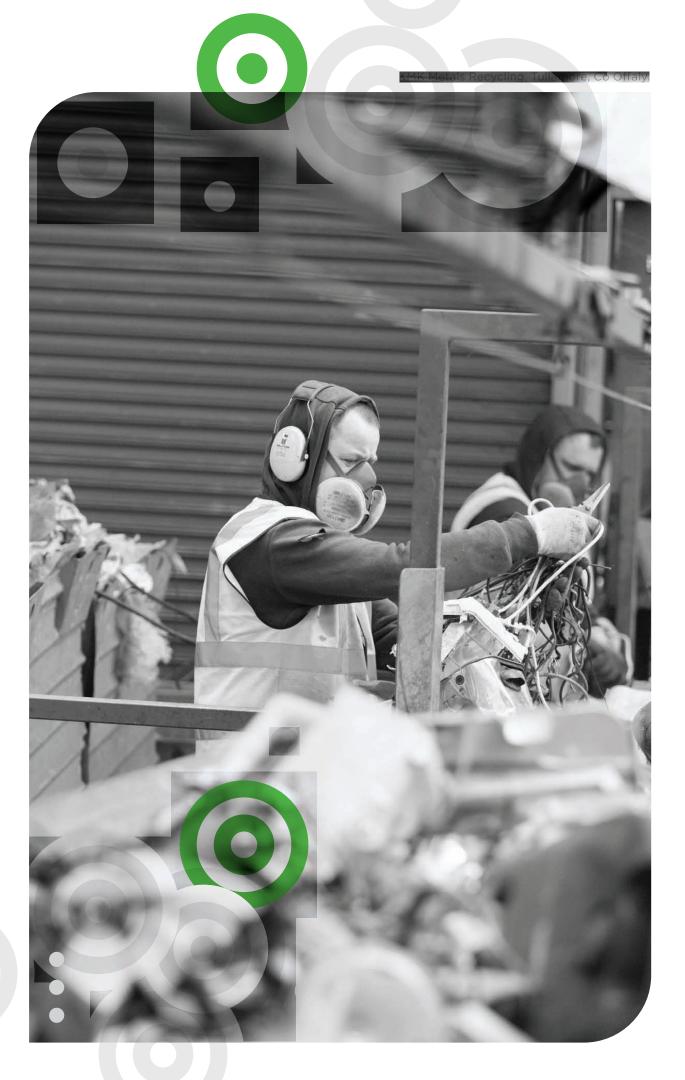
There has been a marked increase in 2015 in the weight of WEEE collected from Retailer collection points. WEEE Ireland now collects more WEEE from Retailers than any other type of collection point. The rollout of the Retailer takeback programme and 'We'll Take It

The rollout of the Retailer takeback programme and 'We'll Take It Back' campaign has been a significant factor in this increase. WEEE Ireland has a dedicated Retailer Operations Executive supporting

these programmes in the field.

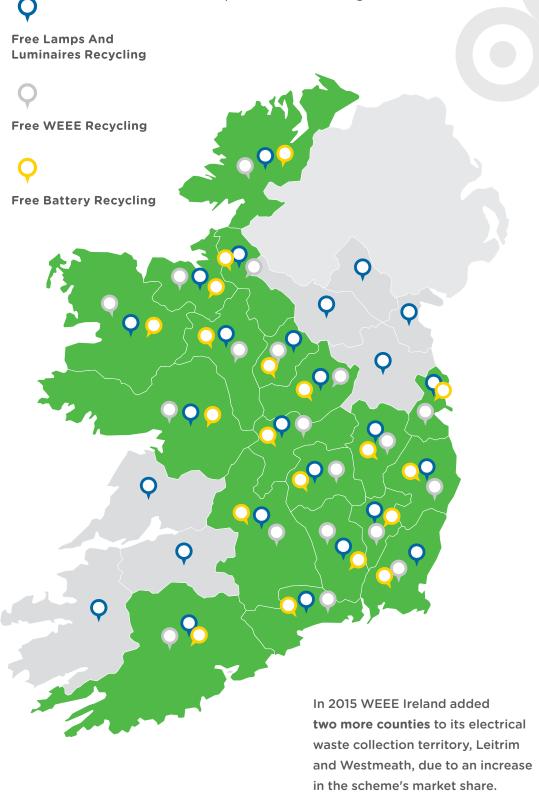
The role of Retailers in developing collection points for WEEE and waste batteries in Ireland cannot be underestimated. It is also an important point in building infrastructure for a future circular economy as the recycling activity is intrinsically linked to the supply and demand for new appliances by consumers.

Buying a new appliance in Ireland has now become synonymous with recycling 'WEEE for free'.



### WHAT IS THE GEOGRAPHIC SPLIT?

WEEE Ireland has an agreement to collect WEEE & Waste Batteries from its Market Share of the Population in the following counties:



### **COLLECTIONS PER CATEGORY**

The WEEE Directive classifies appliances into 10 categories. Producers report their appliances on the market in these categories and further subcategories.

2015 Tonnes - **30,909** 2014 Tonnes - **26,800** 

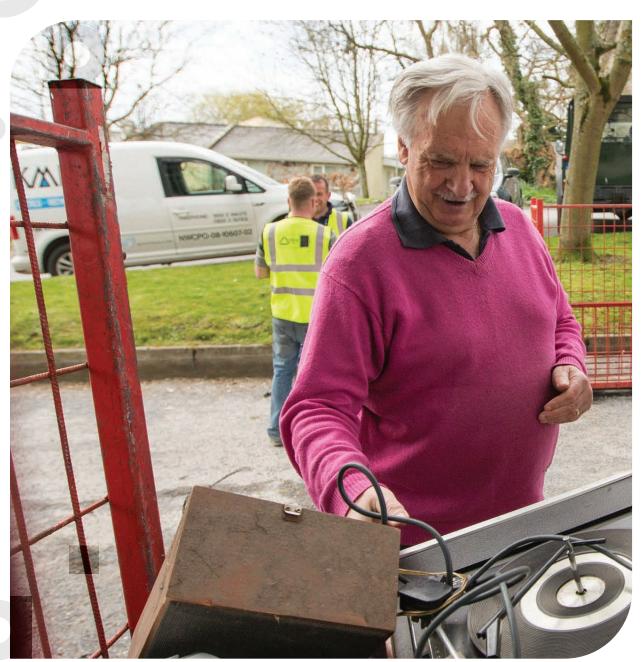
Total

15% 1 - Fridge / Freezers 2015 Tonnes - **4,534** 1 - Large Household Appliances 2014 Tonnes - 4,067 2015 Tonnes - 14,571 11% 2014 Tonnes - 11,906 22% 1 2 - Small Household Appliances 2015 Tonnes - 1,955 3 - IT & T Equipment 2014 Tonnes - 1,689 **(**Ø) 2015 Tonnes - 1,910 16% 2014 Tonnes - 1,595 00 20% 00: 3 - Monitors 00 2015 Tonnes - **615** 2014 Tonnes - **624** 4 - Consumer Equipment ↓ 1% 2015 Tonnes - 1,460 2014 Tonnes - 1,158 26% 4 - TVs 2015 Tonnes - 4,143 5 - Lamps 2014 Tonnes - 4,202 0 2015 Tonnes - 412 **J** 1% 2014 Tonnes - 395 4% 1 5 - Luminaires 2015 Tonnes - 794 6 - Electrical Tools 2014 Tonnes - **634** 2015 Tonnes - 471 25% 2014 Tonnes - 488 3% J 7 - Toys 2015 Tonnes - 43 2014 Tonnes - 36 9 - Monitoring Instruments 19% 2015 Tonnes - 1 2014 Tonnes - 7 0%

increase in collections on 2014...

15%

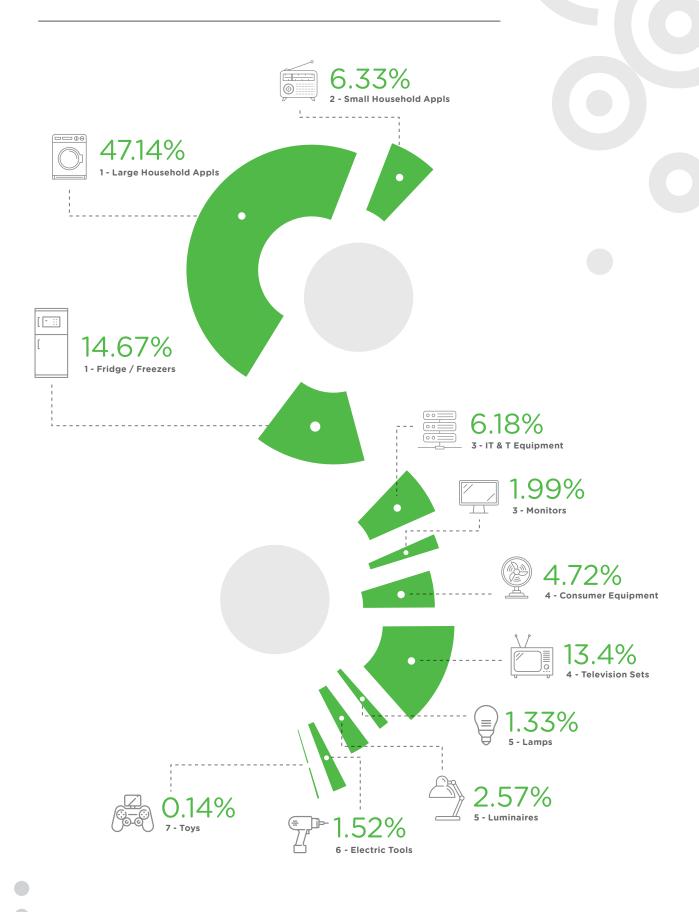
- Continuing the upward trend in household WEEE collections since 2012



WEEE Ireland Collection Day, Co. Tipperary.

Large household appliances increased 22% on 2014 - the largest percentage of WEEE takeback. Fridge freezer takeback increased by 11% in the same year

### 2015 WEEE COLLECTED % WEIGHT BY CATEGORY



### **BEST PRACTICE COLLECTION**

The achievement of high levels of resource recovery requires quality collection practices in waste management. Waste electrical equipment is separated during the collection phase into the 'families' of material for recycling. Different families of WEEE require different recycling processes including hazardous waste management such as fridge freezer degassing or mercury removal from fluorescent tubes. Prevention of damage to waste appliances during collection and transport requires careful handling, specific protocols and training. Contamination of the waste stream with packaging or liquids and other non WEEE material will impact the recovery rates and is to be avoided.

WEEE Ireland is actively participating in the CENELEC working group developing best practice collection and logistics technical specifications under the new EN 50625 Quality WEEE treatment standard series.

### CASE STUDY: CRT BOX TELEVISIONS

WEEE Ireland's digital switchover campaign in association with SAORVIEW in 2011 saw large numbers of cathode ray tube (CRT) box televisions being taken back for recycling. This is a positive activity, as old CRTs not only contain valuable resources for recovery but can have higher levels of heavy metals such as lead, mercury and cadmium and persistent organic pollutants (POPS) including some now banned brominated flame retardants. It is important therefore they are recycled in dedicated CRT WEEE Facilities despite the high costs involved in treating these waste streams. The weight of CRTS being recycled has started to plateau in 2015 and may signal that the peak waste phase of this older technology has passed and more flat screen TVs will be seen in the waste stream from now on. WEEE Ireland contracts two WEEELABEX certified CRT recycling operators in Ireland - KMK Metals Recycling and The Recycling Village.

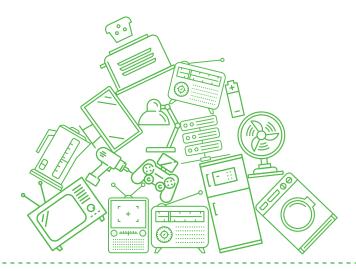
### WEEE COLLECTIONS, UNITS PER FAMILY

Large household appliances represent the largest family of WEEE collected by weight but in terms of units Mixed WEEE, understandably, has the highest number. Over 9 million small appliances, old DVD players, hair driers, electric toothbrushes, battery operated tools, toys and more reached the end of their useful lives in 2015 and were brought for recycling in the WEEE Ireland collection area.

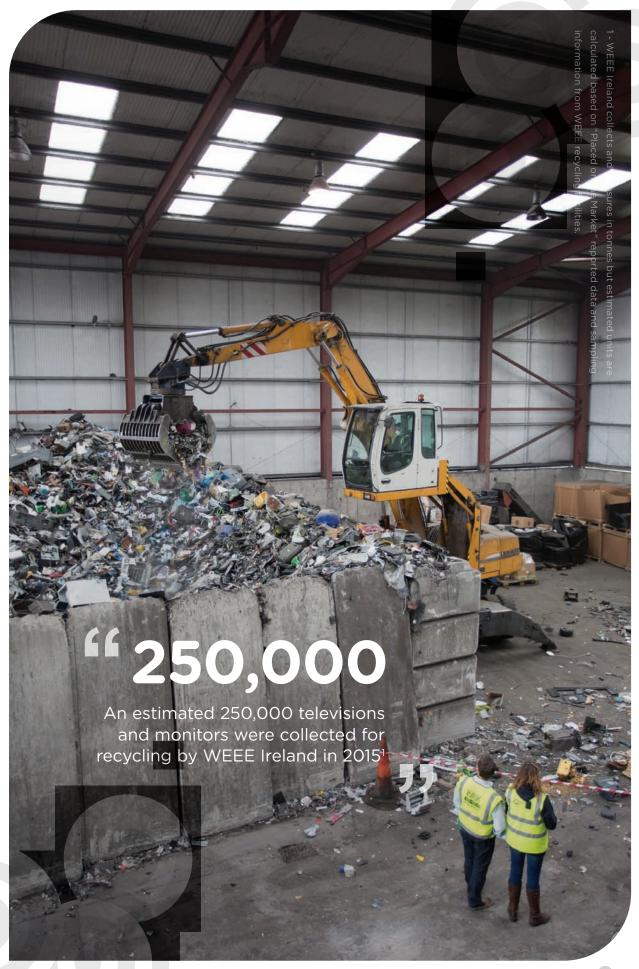
# 13,000,000

An estimated 13 million WEEE appliances were collected for recycling by WEEE Ireland in 2015<sup>1</sup> including;

90,000 Fridges & Freezers
250,000 Large Household Appliances
9 million Mixed WEEE Items
250,000 Televisions and monitors
3 million Lamps



<sup>1 -</sup> WEEE Ireland collects and measures in tonnes but estimated units are calculated based on "Placed on the Market" reported data and sampling information from WEEE recycling facilities.



KMK Metals Recycling, Tullamore, Co Offaly.

### MARKET DATA & COLLECTION RATES

Producers are required under the WEEE Directive to report all appliances placed on the market under at least the 10 Categories of EEE.

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The milestone targets under the current WEEE Directive are to achieve a 45% national WEEE Collection rate by 2016 and a 65% national WEEE Collection rate by the end of 2018

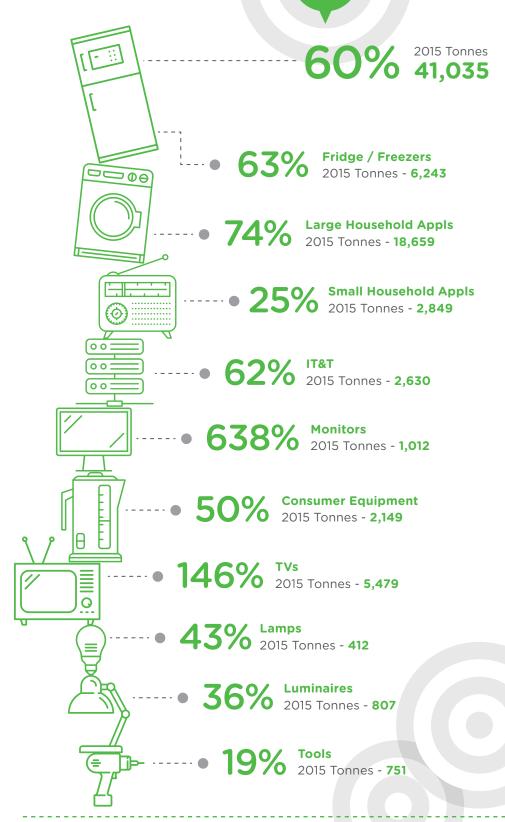
The collection rate is an important benchmark for Producers, Schemes and Member States. It is a required target under the WEEE Directive and shows the progress a country is making in implementing proper environmental management of its waste appliances.

Previously the collection rate was calculated on a weight collected per person basis. The WEEE collection rate is now a percentage calculated by comparing the total weight of WEEE collected for recycling with the average total weight of new appliances going on the market in previous years.<sup>2</sup> The national WEEE collection rates for Ireland from 2015 onwards include all WEEE flows from household (B2C) and professional (B2B). The milestone targets under the current WEEE Directive are to achieve a 45% national WEEE collection rate by 2016 and a 65% national WEEE Collection rate by the end of 2018.

<sup>2 -</sup> The collection rate is calculated on the basis of the total weight of WEEE collected in the respective year expressed as a percentage of the average weight of EEE placed on the market (PoM) in the three preceding years: Collection rate yi = 3\*WEEE collectedyi/(PoM yi-1+ PoMyi-2 + PoMyi-3).



Total



Please reference appendices for full details. Note, B2B rates are individually reported by self-complying Producers through the EPA's Eden. National B2B collection rates can be found on the Eurostat website.





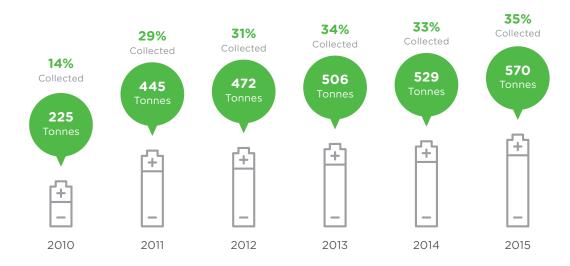
### **BATTERY COLLECTION DATA**

With separate approvals for WEEE and waste battery collections, WEEE Ireland collects waste batteries for recycling in 23 Local Authority areas in Ireland. Since 2008 WEEE Ireland has been working on a 10-year plan to achieve its Members' share of the national battery recycling targets. The Scheme aims to establish a culture of battery recycling in its collection area that will maintain this high level of recycling beyond 2016. In 2015 WEEE Ireland had a strategic focus on collection point expansion and Blue Box distribution to build towards a successful achievement of the target of 45% take back in 2016.

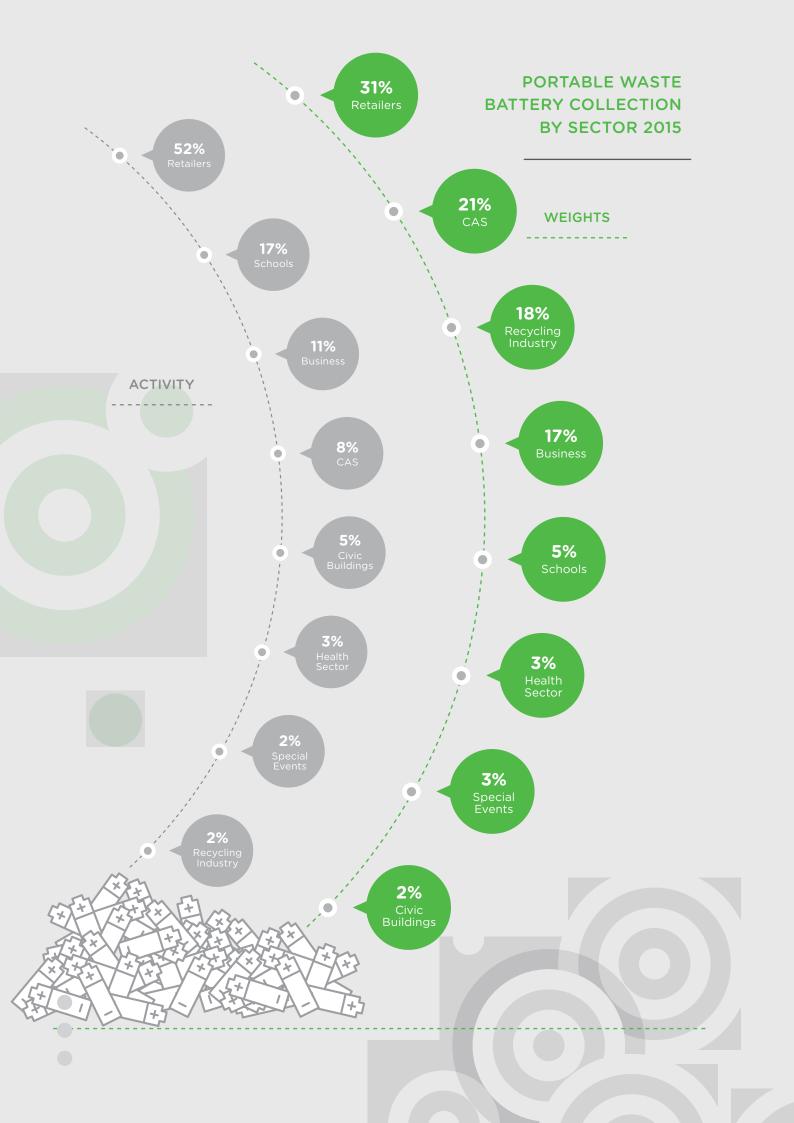
### WASTE BATTERY COLLECTION TARGET

Only portable waste batteries have a collection rate target set under the Batteries Directive; based on the tonnes collected for recycling as a percentage of average weight of batteries put on the market in 3 previous years. Ireland has a challenging national target of 45% of portable batteries to collect for recycling in 2016.<sup>3</sup>

### WEEE Ireland Waste Portable Batteries Collected 2010 to 2015



<sup>3 -</sup> The collection rate is calculated on the basis of the total weight of portable waste batteries (PWB) collected in the respective year expressed as a percentage of the average weight of portable batteries placed on the market (PoM) in the respective year and two preceding years: Collection rate yi = PWB collectedyi/((PoM yi+PoMyi-1+PoMyi-2)/3).





Collections from **over 6,000** battery collection points. **Over 52%** of collection activity was through retail premises.

By weight, **Retailers, Civic Amenity Sites** and **Businesses** contributed the majority of waste portable batteries

(69%) to the Scheme's collection efforts.

## WEEE IRELAND TONNES COLLECTED 2015



WEEE Ireland serves the entire Battery Sector with portable, industrial and automotive waste battery collection programmes. The industrial battery collections included waste farm fence batteries which are taken back by co-ops and wholesalers in rural areas as well as at Civic Amenity Sites and collection events.

### CASE STUDY; BATTERY MERCHANDISERS

WEEE Ireland employs a team of 3 dedicated Battery Merchandisers who not only collect blue boxes from retail, school and workplace collection points, they also refresh and supply new boxes, posters and other material to encourage everyone to #RecycleforGood and help Ireland meet the 2016 45% waste portable battery collection target. Blue Battery Boxes are designed to have a lifespan of over 3 years and in 2015 an additional 25,000 were distributed by the scheme to collection points in response to demand.



WEEE Ireland has developed dedicated education and collection programmes designed to increase public engagement in waste battery recycling. The unique 'Blue WEEE Ireland Battery Box' is central to the recycling programmes and acts as a recogniseable, memorable point of collection for the general public. Working directly through schools, battery Retailers, Civic Amenity Sites, and public collection days, the scheme has seen continued increase in battery recycling activity in its dedicated collection areas.

### **COMMUNITY AWARENESS**

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## Consumers are engaging with our programmes

### WEEE are changing behaviour

**Increasing awareness** 



**Increasing collections** 



### **Every battery counts**

Every appliance makes a difference



### €2.3 million

Annual communications spend Agreement under Government WEEE Scheme approval

### €1.1 million

AVE (Advertising Value Equivalency)
Return on investment from print,
Broadcast and social media
Coverage in 2015

### €878,000

Total value of print media PR coverage achieved in 2015

### €310,000

Value of WEEE Ireland press coverage just mentioning battery recycling

### €40,000

Combined value of press coverage the WEEELabex press release & WEEEPledge schools story received in the newspapers



### WEEE ARE 10

WEEE Ireland's recycling programme has seen almost 300,000 tonnes of WEEE diverted from landfill since 2005. Packed into 60,000 articulated truckloads, nose to tail, the diverted electrical waste would stretch from Dublin to Paris (1,066km). Ireland is placed in the top 5 of WEEE Europe countries for e-waste recycling and with a take back collection rate of 60% is well ahead of the European average as reported through Eurostat of just 30%.



# WEEEPLEDGE

Ireland's most energised schools' battery recycling programme, WEEEPledge, has created a new movement, broadening students' recycling activity and inspiring the next generations to be "guardians of our planet". The project encourages students to take the WEEE-Pledge to recycle their batteries and by doing so they are helping to raise much needed funds for LauraLynn, Ireland's Children's Hospice. In 2015 over 2,000 primary and secondary schools took part in the WEEEPledge educational programme.



# THE GREAT BULB EXCHANGE

Ireland's Biggest Lightbulb Moment. 2015 saw the launch of a new awareness programme encouraging consumers to recycle CFL and FL lighting. Retail outlets such as Arro, Topline, Woodies, Homevalue and Expert Hardware were lead partners in the programme which gave consumers access to the 'a bulb for a bulb' offer in over 400 retail stores. Each consumer was offered a free flower bulb in exchange for the waste bulb they returned for recycling. This campaign lit up national and regional media and impacted on the memories of 1 in 10 Irish adults. 5,000 flower bulbs were circulated, and almost 3 million waste lamps were collected by WEEE Ireland for recycling through 2015.

# **BRAND BUILDING**

In 10 short years WEEE Ireland has built a brand, educating the public and driving change. Standing firmly on four brand values of Openness, Dedication, Community and Trust, WEEE Ireland has, from its inception, delivered consistent messaging through all its activities. Motivating and empowering people on how to make WEEE and battery recycling a part of their waste management system in the home. 56% of people who took part in a recent survey are familiar with the WEEE Ireland brand and know what WEEE do. The majority of respondents understand that WEEE Ireland recycle electrical waste. 13 million items of WEEE were recycled in 2015. 28 million waste batteries were recycled in 2015. The numbers are impressive.

**13 million** items of WEEE were recycled in 2015 and **28 million** waste batteries were recycled in 2015



# LAURALYNN - CHARITY PARTNER

Our partnership with LauraLynn, Ireland's Children's Hospice has been a rewarding aspect of our waste battery recycling campaign in 2015. We are pleased by how much good work, love, care and support the team at LauraLynn delivers, relying solely on fundraising. Our campaign ambassador, Bosco has been a wonderful champion for this campaign, touring the country for radio interviews, TV appearances and meet ups. People all over Ireland have been encouraged to get behind the waste battery recycling campaign with renewed energy and in 2015, WEEE Ireland's contributions reached a total of €185,000 to LauraLynn. This is in recognition of the battery recycling efforts made by everyone who chose to #RecycleforGood with WEEE Ireland.



# WEEE Ireland's contributions reached a total of €185,000 to LauraLynn. #RecycleforGood



Bosco having fun with friends at LauraLynn, Ireland's Children's Hospice



# 1st EUROPEAN BATTERY RECYCLING DAY

On Wednesday September 9th the European Association of National Collection Schemes for Batteries, (Eucobat) and WEEE Ireland, joined forces to ask people in Ireland to simply look around their homes and office for any waste batteries that need to be recycled. It was estimated that 2 out of 3 people in Ireland still do not recycle their small waste batteries and it is hoped that by working with international partners through EUCOBAT, WEEE Ireland can raise awareness of battery recycling and recycle more batteries than ever.



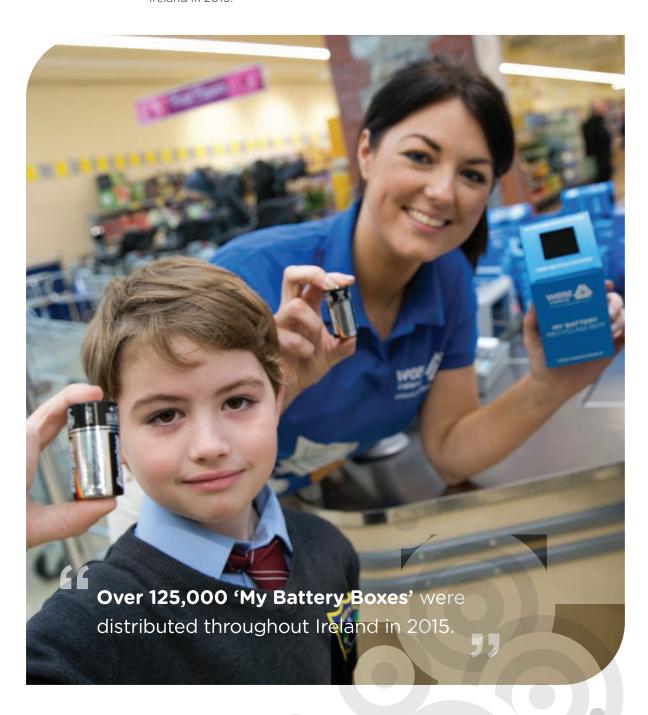
# WE'LL TAKE IT BACK

2015 saw an increase of over 25% WEEE coming back through Retailers alone. This growth has coincided with the introduction of the 'We'll Take it Back' recycling drive. Supported by WEEE Ireland with funding for safe storage, education, signage and communications, Retailers have demonstrated an ability to take advantage of their unique position and point of contact with the consumer to promote the message of recycling electrical and electronic waste through their take back system. Now, Irish Retailers are significantly ahead of all other European counterparts for the take back of WEEE for recycling.



# MY BATTERY BOX LAUNCH

Launched through Aldi in December, the new 'My Battery Box' is our in-home hero. It is placed in homes all around the country, gathering waste batteries for householders to return to our collection channels when full. This small blue battery collection box acts as a reminder, delivers our branding message and profiles our charity partner – reminding householders of the many reasons to recycle waste batteries. Over 125,000 'My Battery Boxes' were distributed throughout Ireland in 2015.



# **SOCIAL MEDIA**

In 10 years WEEE Ireland has evolved its communications strategy. We now have a fully integrated delivery of our marketing communications across many media channels. Our goal is to engage the public and create awareness in very practical ways. Sometimes an ad on radio is appropriate, sometimes social media is the preferred way to reach people, as people increasingly turn to online media for their news, updates and social connections. Each campaign, each message, every call to action is carefully planned to help promote recycling to reach those all-important targets through consumer action!



20,000

WEEE've hit 20,000 likes on facbook! Yay!

Engaged users

45,208

Value of social media activity

**€224,834.35** 

If compared to traditional advertising

People reached across social media

9,285,191

# **WEEELABEX**

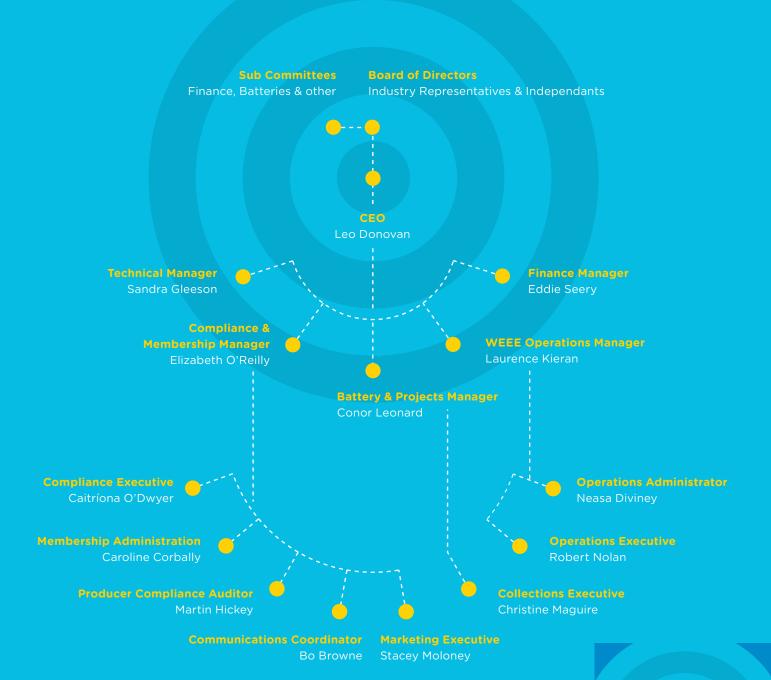
WEEE Ireland is more than a collections organisation as we are constantly improving recycling processes to see real improvements in outcomes. Excellence and quality are critical to improving standards of recycling and the recovery rates of items for re-production. WEEE Ireland congratulated their contractor, Irish Lamp Recycling, as the first Irish Lamp Recycling facility to achieve this European standard in 2015. Irish Lamp Recycling are one of only 34 European organisations to achieve the WEEELABEX Standard and are leaders in this field; bringing new standards to WEEE recycling here in Ireland. With 3 recycling contractors in Ireland certified to the WEEELabex standard – KMK Metals Recycling, Irish Lamps Recycling and The Recycling Village, WEEELABEX approved conveys that the highest standards are being implemented in the WEEE chain in Ireland.

...Irish Lamp Recycling are one of only 34 European organisations to achieve the WEELABEX Standard



# **PROFESSIONAL TEAM**

WEEE Ireland's core team have worked together over the last decade to establish a "best in class" Compliance Scheme for Members. WEEE Ireland's offices are based in the South County Business Park in Leopardstown, Dublin 18 from where the team travels to meet Members and other stakeholders as required.



# **PARTNERSHIPS**

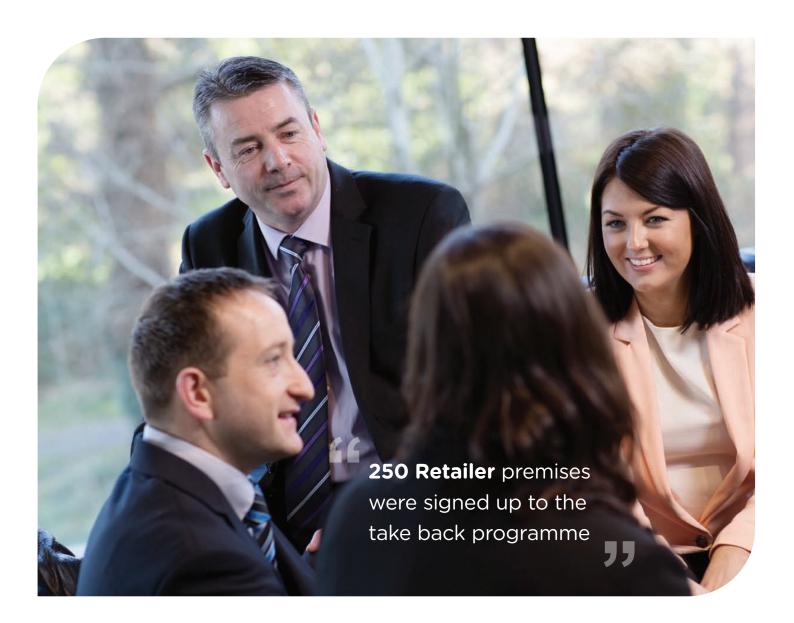
WEEE Ireland has placed quality partnerships as a priority in managing its WEEE and waste battery responsibilities on behalf of its Members. These partnerships span across collection channels, recycling contractors and third party companies. WEEE Ireland works in cooperation with other Schemes, groups and organisations on many different programmes, campaigns and activities.

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Sites around Ireland which the public can
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for recycling alongside other municipal
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# **RETAILERS**

In 2014 it was recognised that under the new WEEE regulations, significant efforts would need to be made by stakeholders to reach the 45% and 65% collection targets. The "We'll Take it Back" programme was developed with oversight by an industry steering committee to encourage Retailers to take all WEEE back with no like-for-like purchase required. Contributions are made to back door costs relating to storage, security and separation of WEEE.

A national marketing fund of €1 million was created to help leading electrical Retailers promote the WEEE recycling message to their customers and the wider market. Retailers are required to sign an agreement with the Scheme promoting best practice collection point management and compliance and in return receive contributions for WEEE volumes taken back in store and on delivery of new appliances.

By the end of 2015, 250 Retailer premises were signed up to the take back programme and over 300 visits to retail stores and distribution hubs were made by WEEE Ireland's dedicated Operations Executive.



Collecting small amounts of waste batteries from convenience stores was a challenge for the collections team and in 2015 they introduced an innovative pilot programme with the Newspread group (part of Independent News & Media plc). Newspread provide a distribution network of over 6,000 Retailers in Ireland, with a fleet of over 400 vehicles which channel the WEEE Ireland Blue Boxes full of waste batteries using reverse logistics to a central Dublin hub. Here the returned boxes are scanned into the system providing for accurate reporting from each Retailer and generating a return delivery of replacement boxes to the Retailer overnight along with news and magazine orders. WEEE Ireland collects from the Newspread hub each month providing for an efficient takeback of waste portable batteries. In 2015 over 1500 Retailers availed of Newspread takeback programme.

# LOCAL AUTHORITIES

There are more than 100 Civic Amenity Sites around Ireland that the public can access to bring WEEE and waste batteries for recycling alongside other municipal waste streams.

As part of the agreement with the Department of Environment, following the implementation of the 2014 WEEE Regulations, annual contributions are made from the Compliance Schemes to the Local Authorities to support their WEEE collection efforts. This amount equates to €1.2 million per year, of which WEEE Ireland contributes approximately €900,000

CA Sites collections accounted for 21% of WEEE and 31% waste batteries taken back by WEEE Ireland for recycling in 2015.

# **COMMUNITY COLLECTION DAYS**

In 2006 WEEE Ireland introduced a schedule of free WEEE recycling events, or public collection days, to selected communities and areas throughout our collection areas. These events proved so popular that they have developed into annual events.

WEEE Ireland were the first to offer this innovative service for WEEE in Ireland. Over time, we developed a network of smaller collection events, colloquially known as "WEEE Wagon Days" which were held mid-week in rural locations, quite often in a town Mart, local sports ground or county council yard.

Over the years we have held events in partnership with all Local Authorities, Tidy Towns and Community Groups, Retailers such as Powercity, DID, Expert group, Tesco's, Supervalu's and local resident associations. We have also held events with environmentally aware companies such as Apple, Dell & IBM.

WEEE Ireland has also held joint events with the EPA, Teagasc & IFFPG throughout the years.



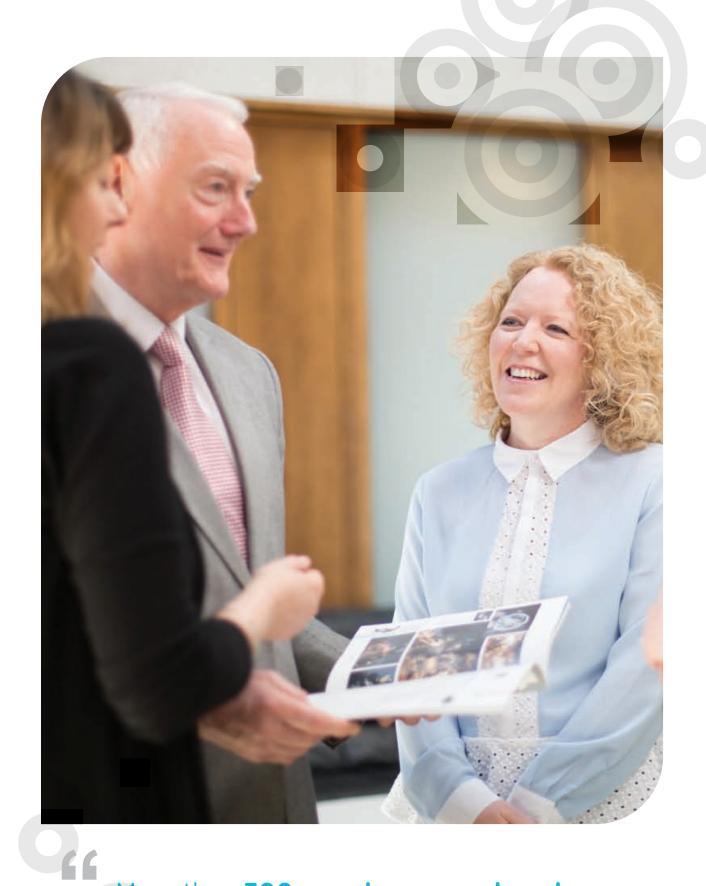
# **COLLECTION DAY STATISTICS**

**Since 2005** In 2015 Since 2006 WEEE Ireland has collected over 16,000 tonnes at special events 200 Collection Day events were held in 2015 Over 1,300 collection days and WEEE Wagon o 29 Tonnes events held in Ireland The largest collection event in 2015 was on the 14th February 300,000 0 in Tesco Car Park, Mitchelstown with more than 29 tonnes of WEEE collected for recycling An estimated 300,000 on 1 day! people attended these events WEEE Ireland filled over 4,000 trucks at these events "<mark>320,000</mark> ° The WEEE collected would be equivalent to over 320,000 washing machines

# **EPA HAZARDOUS WASTE DAYS**

In 2015 WEEE Ireland again cooperated with the EPA and other interested parties to encourage more farmers to bring hazardous waste for safe disposal. Seven of these events were held in WEEE Ireland's collection area, generating more than 26 tonnes of WEEE and 10 tonnes of waste batteries for recycling.





More than **300 people are employed** in Ireland in direct connection with WEEE Ireland collection and recycling activity.

# **2015 CONTRACTORS**

WEEE Ireland contractor appointments are made subject to strict tender criteria which includes cost effectiveness, compliance and best practice and green procurement objectives. These appointments are overseen by a Procurement sub-committee of the Board of Directors and managed by the Operations Manager. Contractors are audited by the Technical Manager on an annual basis to ensure they meet their contractual, regulatory and best practice (WEELABEX) requirements.

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# **RECYCLING PARTNERS 2015**

KMK Metals Recycling\*, Tullamore, Co Offaly.

Key Operating Area: WEEE & waste battery Collection & Recycling & Special Events

**Trevor Ratcliffe Deliveries**, Rathcoole, Dublin WEEE Collections and Special Events

**The Recycling Village\***, Duleek, Co. Meath Television and Monitor Recycling and Battery Collections

**Irish Lamp Recycling\***, Athy, Co Kildare Nationwide Lamp Collection and Recycling

**Rehab Recycle**, Ballymount, Dublin WEEE Collection and WEEE Transfer Station

Clondalkin Community Recycling Initiative, Clondalkin, Dublin Kerbside Collection, Dublin Area

\*WEEELABEX Certified Facility



WEEE Ireland contractors are required to report on their downstream facilities to WEEE Ireland and this is validated through the audit process. All WEEE Ireland's WEEElabex certified contractors use RepTool to assist downstream monitoring obligations required under the Standard.

# QUALITY TREATMENT STANDARDS

Moving away from a linear waste management system to a more circular resource efficient one requires the highest quality in collection and recycling processes. 65% of all WEEE collected in Ireland is recycled by treatment facilities in Ireland. WEEE Ireland works with contractors that are certified to the highest standard in the WEEE industry. This standard is called the WEEE Label of Excellence or WEEELABEX, and has now been transposed into the European standard series, EN50625.

This standard is a mandatory requirement in only three other EU countries - Netherlands, France and Belgium, which puts Ireland at the forefront of WEEE treatment in Europe.

## What does this mean for Producers?

Physically, it means that WEEE is dismantled mechanically or manually into its constituent components, hazards are removed and treated appropriately and clean fractions of material are produced including a range of plastics and metals. All of this is strictly documented accordingly to appropriate licences and legislation but is also physically checked using standardised monitoring to ensure the highest quality fractions are produced.

**Economically,** it means better quality fractions that yield better market prices with potential for future end of waste status.

**Nationally,** it means the creation of truly sustainable recycling processes that support the green economy and put Ireland as a leader in the WEEE industry, in a **global context.** 

In essence it gives assurance that the WEEE collected is treated by recyclers that are independently certified with fully traceable waste flows and meeting the required standard under Irish legislation.



# 1 - Large Household Appliances



EU Target Recycling & Prep. for Reuse - 80% WEEE Ireland Recycling & Prep. for Reuse - 81% EU Target Recovery Rate - 85%

WEEE Ireland Recovery Rate - 95%

# 2 - Small Household Appliances



WEEE Ireland Recycling & Prep. for Reuse - 72%

EU Target Recovery Rate - 75%

WEEE Ireland Recovery Rate - 96%



# 3 - IT & T Equipment



EU Target Recovery Rate - 80% WEEE Ireland Recovery Rate - 96%





WEEE Ireland Recycling & Prep. for Reuse - 86%

EU Target Recovery Rate - 80%

WEEE Ireland Recovery Rate - 97%



# 5 - Gas Discharge Lamps

EU Target Recycling & Prep. for Reuse - 80% WEEE Ireland Recycling & Prep. for Reuse - 92%

EU Target Recovery Rate - N/A WEEE Ireland Recovery Rate - N/A



# 5 - Luminaires

EU Target Recycling & Prep. for Reuse - 55%

WEEE Ireland Recycling & Prep. for Reuse - 91%

EU Target Recovery Rate - 75%

WEEE Ireland Recovery Rate - 91%



# 6 - Electrical Tools

EU Target Recycling & Prep. for Reuse - 55%

WEEE Ireland Recycling & Prep. for Reuse - 72%

EU Target Recovery Rate - 75%

WEEE Ireland Recovery Rate - 96%



# 7 - Toys & Sports Equipment

EU Target Recycling & Prep. for Reuse - 55%

WEEE Ireland Recycling & Prep. for Reuse - 72%

EU Target Recovery Rate - 75%

WEEE Ireland Recovery Rate - 96%



# 9 - Monitoring & Control Equipment

EU Target Recycling & Prep. for Reuse - 55%

WEEE Ireland Recycling & Prep. for Reuse - 72%

EU Target Recovery Rate - 75%

WEEE Ireland Recovery Rate - 86%

WEEE IRELAND WEEE RECOVERY RATES 2015

# **RESULTS**

# **WEEE Ireland Battery Recycling Efficiency Report 2015**

85.8% ----- Battery Type Lead Acid 16 06 01\*

Efficiency Recycler HJ Enthoven

Location **UK** 

Recycling Efficiency 85.8%

Target 65%

77.6%----- Battery Type Lead Acid 16 06 01\*

Efficiency Recycler Campine

Location France

Recycling Efficiency 77.6%

Target 65%

96%----- Battery Type Lead Acid 16 06 01\*

Efficiency Recycler EnviroWales

Location **UK** 

Recycling Efficiency 96%

Target 65%

**78.5%**----- Battery Type Nickel Cadmium 16 06 02\*

Efficiency Recycler Accurec

Location **Germany** 

Recycling Efficiency 78.5%

Target **75%** 

**53.8%**----- Battery Type Other (Lithium) 16 06 05

Efficiency Recycler Accurec

Location **Germany** 

Recycling Efficiency 53.8%

Target 50%

**2 70** ----- Battery Type Other (Alkaline) 16 06 04

Efficiency Recycler Redux

Location **Germany** 

Recycling Efficiency 72%

Target 50%

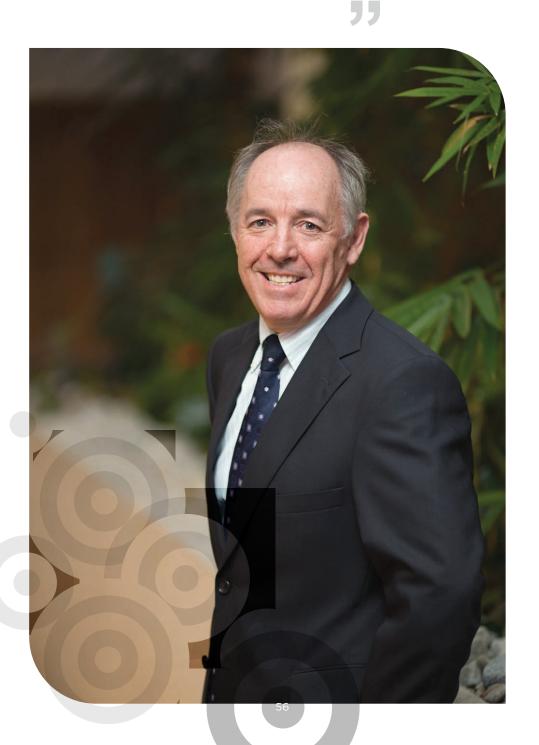
Lamps are recycled in Ireland with 98% of the fractions retained in Ireland.

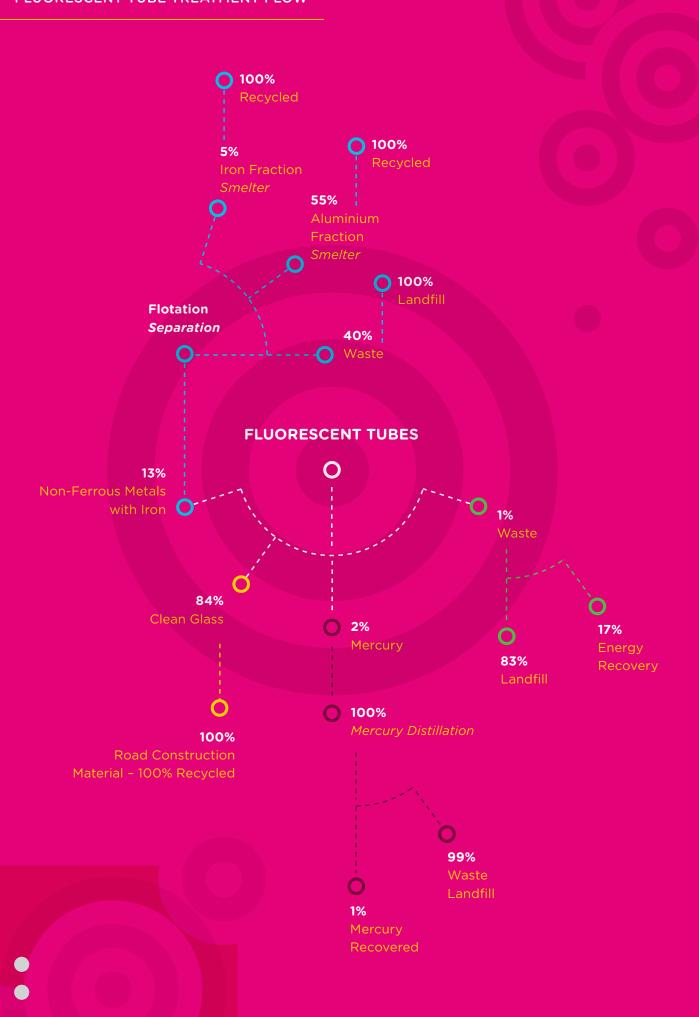
Mercury Sludge is treated in the UK and safely disposed of

Aluminium is smelted in Ireland into ingots which is used in automotive or engineering sectors.

The glass is used in Ireland to make large concrete blocks for roads

Residue goes for energy recovery incineration in Ireland.



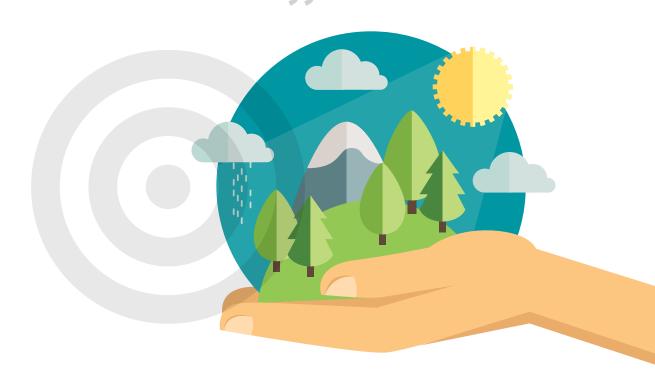


# **CLIMATE CHANGE - CAN WEEE HELP?**

CFC gases are ozone depleting gases that were banned from production in refrigeration since the Montreal Protocol entered into force in 1989. When released onto the atmosphere they cause a greenhouse effect and can contribute to global warming. 40% of the fridges and freezers WEEE Ireland recycled in 2015 still contain CFC's.

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In 2015 WEEE Ireland collected and recycled 4,500 tonnes of fridge freezers - saving 5750.93T of CO2 equivalent gases being released into the atmosphere This is equivalent to a 747 passenger airplanes flying four times around the world!

Since 2015 WEEE Ireland have been taking part in a detailed WEEE Forum project to establish a common method of calculating the CO2 emission savings from total all WEEE recycled in Ireland. It is hoped that this calculation model will be ready for reporting in 2017.

# **EU REPORTING & BENCHMARKING**

WEEE Ireland works within an Irish and European context as the Batteries and WEEE Directives require Producers operating across different Member States to undertake Producer Responsibility obligations in a broadly similar way.

As a member of the WEEE Forum since 2006 and Eucobat since 2009, WEEE Ireland has gained and shared best practice experience with these organisations as an invaluable source of information and collaboration.





# **WEEE Ireland ranked 2nd** across the WEEE Forum schemes in terms of household WEEE collection rates in that year

# 2015 and ongoing Eucobat projects;

- Batteries Directive Recast Position Papers
- Battery Treatment Standard development
- Battery Recycling Capacity Study
- 1st International Battery Recycling Awareness Day
- ADR Consultations

# 2015 and ongoing **WEEE Forum** projects;

- CWIT project publication
- EN5062 CENELEC working group submissions
- PROSUM & Horizon2020 WEEE bid developments

Both organisations collate key figure data on a yearly basis to allow Schemes benchmark themselves against their European colleagues.

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# CASE STUDY: THE NETHERLANDS

The Netherlands has a population of circa 17 million, which is about half the size of Ireland. The country has a history of WEEE and waste battery takeback spanning 20 years. In 2014 the Wecycle Scheme reported 111, 000 tonnes of WEEE recycled, a 38% collection rate - 6.5kg per capita.8

Stibat, the Dutch National Battery Scheme ran a consumer campaign 'Lege batterijen? Lever ze in en WIN!' ('Waste batteries? Hand them in and WIN!'). In this campaign, the consumers had to hand in a bag with ten waste batteries and their contact details at one of the many collection points for a chance to win prizes. Stibat reported in 2014 a collection rate of **44.6% from over 26,000 battery recycling points** in The Netherlands.<sup>9</sup>

WEEE Ireland is ahead of our Dutch colleagues in WEEE collection for recycling but there is work to do to achieve 45% waste portable battery takeback in 2016

# RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

WEEE Ireland is contributing to a number of research programmes that aim to improve the management and overall resource efficiency of the WEEE and/or battery waste streams in Europe; WEEE Ireland also supports the Irish EPA Research and enforcement programmes through an annual grant of €187,000

### **ProSUM**

Prospecting raw materials in the secondary urban mine and mining wastes. The Prosum project aims to deliver the first comprehensive Urban Mine Knowledge Data Platform WEEE Ireland is contributing to the project through the WEEE Forum with data from our WEEE and waste battery takeback volumes and sampling results. There is particular interest from the PROSUM coordinators on the WEEE Ireland mixed WEEE treatment process as it is the only one they can access battery results from at present www.prosumproject.eu

### Revolv

The WEEE Ireland Scheme currently sits on the steering committee of the Revolv Project, an Irish based programme cofounded by the EC ECO Innovation programme, aimed at developing new technology for flat screen recycling. This will require more and more in the coming years as the early models from 2005 start to reach their end of life and become WEEE More information can be found on the http://revolvproject.eu/

# **Challenging the WEEE Illegal Trade - CWIT**

Only 30% of Europe's waste electrical appliances end up in an authorised recycling system, leading to significant resource and financial losses as well as potential damage to human health and the environment that can be caused by illegal waste practices. As a Member of the WEEE Forum, WEEE Ireland supports the work undertaken by our colleagues and other stakeholders in highlighting the challenges faced by authorised recycling systems. In 2015 the findings from the CWIT report were published and underlined the amount of WEEE lost from the official recycling system, limiting Europe's growth toward a more resource efficient future. In Ireland the introduction of mandatory handover of WEEE to Producers and their Schemes from collection points and the significant involvement of Retailers in the takeback system have helped limit the impact of unauthorised operators. WEEE Ireland also commends the comprehensive work the regulatory and enforcement network in Ireland have undertaken in this area.

The waste tracking and audit verification that WEEE Ireland directly undertakes with its operators allows the Scheme line of sight of the collection, recycling and recovery activity that it reports to its Producer Members and undertakes on their behalf each year.

In 2015 WEEE Ireland held a seminar on Challenging the Illegal waste industry with stakeholders from the waste and enforcement sector in Ireland, UK and Brussels attending.

# **Strive Historical WEEE Project**

The Environmental Protection Agency oversees STRIVE research funding on an annual basis with the objective of "Using knowledge to protect and improve our natural environment and human health" In 2014/15 STRIVE funding was allocated to the University of Limerick for a project entitled "The development of a model to ascertain future levels of historic WEEE arising (Historic WEEE)."

WEEE Ireland sat on the steering committee for this research project throughout 2015. The project sampled WEEE from WEEE facilities in Ireland to ascertain the age of the products using the presence or absence of a crossed out wheelie bin symbol as an age marker. This sample was compared with European data to see if the Irish WEEE stream matches existing WEEE generated models. The findings showed significant levels of historical WEEE arise and will continue to arise beyond 2020 in fridge freezer, LHA and CRT waste streams. The profile of historical WEEE did not change despite the significant drop in sales during the 'recession' years in the Irish retail environment.

Throughout 2015 WEEE Ireland also participated in online surveys and requests for information from other Schemes, research institutions and Producers and trade associations, as well as hosting visitors from Ireland and abroad, to share its 11-year experience.



# PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY

# **Membership Services**

WEEE Ireland is an Approved Body under the WEEE and Battery Regulations in Ireland helping its Members with their Producer Responsibilities. The Scheme is entrusted by its Members to deliver a professional, expert and cost effective compliance system on their behalf.

Membership Certification Auditing and Compliance Review Advice & Guidance, Regulatory Updates Retailer Registration

# **2015 MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS**

493 WEEE & Batteries

140 WEEE only



893 Full Members

**260** Batteries only

# **WEEE Ireland Members**

893 Full Members
493 WEEE & Batteries
260 Batteries only
140 WEEE only
88 New Members
29 deregistered

# **Compliance Audits**

>200 events

# **Market Share**

WEEE 73%
Batteries 91%
Portable 70%
Industrial 85%
Automotive 98%

# **Retailer Registration**

7012 Certified Retailers

# MEMBER AUDIT PROGRAMME AND COMPLIANCE REVIEW

WEEE Ireland carries out detailed Compliance Reviews on Members to audit the integrity of data going into the Blackbox and ensure they understand their Producer Responsibilities under the Regulations, including correct reporting, labelling, and information to consumers and ROHs conformity documentation. The Compliance team also meets with new Members to give guidance where required on the set up of reporting systems, understanding new reporting roles and other queries. For any Member exiting the industry, WEEE Ireland carries out a deregistration audit to ensure that Blackbox reporting and payments are all up to date.

There were more than **200** Compliance interactions with WEEE Ireland Members during 2015 and they also provide an opportunity to receive feedback from Members on an individual basis.

Compliance Conformance Issues identified in 2015 include;

- Including all EEE products in monthly reporting e.g. seasonal changes
- Scoping & categorisation e.g. print cartridges, dual use definitions, B2B vs B2C
- Reporting of weights accuracy and supplier data management
- Implementing B2B self compliance takeback obligations
- Obtaining ROHS conformity declarations from suppliers

Circa €35,000 in non-reported data was updated by Members following audits.

# **Postal Audits**

WEEE Ireland manages the compliance review of Producers where the team or individual responsible for Blackbox reporting is located outside of Ireland, through 'postal auditing'. The **Producer** is required to fill out a detailed questionnaire and return with supporting documentation. Upon review, a phone interview is **often required** and a follow up report is sent to the Producer, to help ensure they are meeting their compliance obligations under the WEEE and Battery Regulations in Ireland.

# WEEE Ireland recommends all Producers maintain an Audit file with documentation including;

- Product Categorization Procedure
- Weight Calculation
- Sales Data
- Blackbox Reports

WEEE Ireland InvoicesROHS conformity detailInternal Audit Processes (accuracy checks)

WEEE Ireland
Audit & Compliance
Review Programme

WEEE Ireland
Data Review

Producer Sales
onto Irish Market

Monthly
declaration
to Blackbox

The declarations Producers make to the Blackbox determine individual Market Share and Producer responsibility costs but are also part of the cumulative Irish EEE & battery market data reported to EUROSTAT. Timely reporting and accuracy of data are key components to ensuring the integrity of this information and laying the foundation for sensible collection rate targets.



No. of Members Per Year



# RETAILER COMPLIANCE

Retailers of EEE, Automotive and Industrial Batteries are required to register under the Regulations with either a Compliance Scheme or Local Authority. Retailer Registration is a daily activity for the WEEE Ireland Compliance Team and a service provided free of charge. A total of 6097 Retailers were certified online in 2015 including 926 newly registered Retailers last year,

Total of **6,097 Retailers Certified**by WEEE Ireland in 2015

5171 Retailers re-certified online,2015 Retailer database review and update926 new Retailers Registered in 2015

# **LEGISLATION**

The legal framework for WEEE and Battery Producer Responsibility is a complex and dynamic one. WEEE Ireland is committed to keeping Members abreast of current developments on their regulatory requirements in this sector and ensuring the voice of Irish Producers is heard in European debates and discussions. WEEE Ireland also submits to relevant consultations from the Department of environment relating to WEEE, waste batteries, Producer Responsibility, Waste management & Circular Economy

# In 2015 topics included;

- Dual Use definition implementation
- Regional Waste Management Plan Consultations
- Fixed payment notices introduced by the new <u>Environmental</u> (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2015
- EU Circular Economy Draft Package
- Battery Regulations heavy metal exemption removals, labelling & removability
- Reuse Registration Criteria development



# Magpantay, J. Huisman (2015), "E-Waste Statistics: Guidelines on classifications,

# EC REPORTING HARMONISATION PROJECT

In 2015 WEEE Ireland participated on behalf of its Members in the overview undertaken by the European Commission on harmonising WEEE registration and reporting procedures across Member states. Despite one unifying WEEE Directive, the flexibility it allows Members states during transposition into their national laws means many differences in each country. During the review it was clear that just one waste categorisation system would reduce the administration burden on the industry and streamline the traceability, monitoring and reporting for WEEE for all stakeholders.

The benefit of this exercise to Producers can be summarized by one such quote in the final report "Placing on the market of 25 Member States and multiplying this by 3 (WEEE, packaging, batteries) we have to provide data to 81 Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) compliance systems. It is therefore essential, especially for Small and Medium Enterprises (SME) selling in different Member States, that the type and format of data is harmonized throughout Europe wherever possible" European Commission 2016

# Key recommendations from the final report include;

- Introduce a new proposed harmonised data structure and format for registration and reporting of Producers to the national register in each Member State
- Develop a unique WEEE categorisation system with corresponding codification system such as the 54 UNU-Keys.
- Introduce quarterly reporting as frequency.

# **UNU KEYS**

Currently all Producers report under 10 EEE Directive Categories for new appliances – changing to 6 in 2018. However, each country can have additional subcategories of electrical appliances for reporting as placed on the market by Producers. The EU harmonisation report details Ireland and Germany has having 28 of these sub categories while Spain has 14, which is challenging for Producers preparing reports for each jurisdiction. The UNU keys are a universal reporting structure with 54 product groups that share comparable average weights, material compositions, end-of-life characteristics and lifespan distributions. This makes the system very useful for compiling e-waste statistics as well as a possible harmonised reporting system for all Producers across the EU Member States<sup>10</sup>

# **WASTE PREVENTION & REUSE**

The WEEE and Batteries Directives prioritises waste prevention and preparation for reuse activities in its diversion from landfill objectives. WEEE Ireland has focused on building a quality collection recycling and recovery infrastructure over the last decade and recognises the emphasis that must be placed on waste prevention and preparation for reuse as part of the Circular Economy and Resource efficiency 2020 agendas. During 2015 WEEE Ireland participated in the consultation for development of Registration Criteria for preparation for reuse organisations in Ireland. The National Producer Registration Body - Producer Register Ltd is the Approved Body for registration of these organisations.



#### WASTE PREVENTION ACTIVITIES IN 2015

Building awareness and disseminating information in an interesting and practical way on waste prevention was one of the communications team briefs for 2015. This was done in cooperation with many other organisations working in these areas. The activities they carried out in this regard included;

- Celebrating key environmental and national holidays with social media reminders and competitions to Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and even Upcycle in many different ways.
- Encouraging our community of followers on social media to prevent waste and reuse more through competition giveaways of OBEO boxes and Textile Teds, Refurbished Laptops
- Sponsor of Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Envirocom Awards
   Waste Prevention Category
- Hosted the Challenging Illegal Waste Stakeholder Seminar in April
- Working with IKEA and Alupro Ireland in May to promote aluminum tea light holder recycling
- Promoting the great work of the Rediscovery Centre, SMILE Resource Exchange and Green Aware online and at our WEEE are 10 event in September
- E-waste Film Toxic Tech Screening Event and promotion in December
- Participating in Green Business and Green Hospitality workshops as well as those held by Smile Exchange & Intereg Ireland on Resource Efficiency,



### FINANCING PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY

#### **Under the 2012 WEEE Directive**

Producers must... under Article 12(1) of the WEEE Directive "Member States shall ensure that Producers provide at least for the financing of the collection, treatment, recovery and environmentally sound disposal of WEEE from private households that has been deposited at collection facilities set up under Article 5(2)."

### **Under the 2006 Batteries Directive**

"1. Member States shall ensure that Producers, or third parties acting on their behalf, finance any net costs arising from: (a) the collection, treatment and recycling of all waste portable batteries and accumulators collected in accordance with Article 8(1) and (2); and (b) the collection, treatment and recycling of all waste industrial and automotive batteries and accumulators collected in accordance with Articles 8(3) and (4)."

### **FEE STRUCTURE**

The Compliance costs that Producer Members pay as part of the collective Scheme include the following obligations:

- Contingency Reserve Maintenance
- Historic WEEE Liability
- Future WEEE liability
- Battery Obligations
- Awareness Raising
- Collection and infrastructure
- Recycling and Recovery
- Compliance Scheme administration
- Contributions to the Local Authorities
- Contributions to EPA enforcement and R&D funding
- Retailer We'll Take It Back Programme

#### vEMC's

In Ireland Visible Environmental Management Costs (vEMC's) were re-established under the 2014 WEEE Regulations. vEMC's are displayed instore and on websites. They currently apply to the following EEE products;

Category	Description vEMC (in	ncl VAT)
1.1	Side by Side Refrigeration	€10.00
1.2/1.2a/1.3	Other Fridges Freezers & Large Appliances	€5.00
4.1	Large Televisions (+73cm)	€5.00
5.1	Gas Discharge Lamps (including CFLs & FLs)	€0.15
5.2	LED Light Sources	€0.05

WEEE Ireland invoices Members each month for the vEMC's and Recycling Management Costs (RMC's). These invoices are based on Producer reporting of sales to the online Blackbox

#### RMC's

Recycling Management Costs are integrated into the product price by Producers but are not visibly shown to the consumer. WEEE Ireland invoices RMC's on all EEE and battery categories reported by Producers. The RMC's are set in consultation with the industry sectors and signed off by the Board of Directors each year.

#### **CONTINGENCY RESERVE**

To ensure Producer Responsibility Schemes in Ireland continue to meet their obligations on behalf of their Members in any unforeseen circumstances or contingent event, a fund is required to be ring fenced for this purpose and maintained. The amount must equal one year's direct operating cost. WEEE Ireland has maintained a separate contingent fund since 2006 as part of its Members' collective financial obligations.

#### HISTORICAL WEEE COSTS

When the WEEE Directive was transposed into Irish legislation in 2005 it required all Producers currently in the market to finance their existing market share of the historical WEEE liability i.e. the costs of takeback and recycling of waste appliances placed on the market prior to 2005. WEEE Ireland projected that an €80 million finance package was required to cover this liability and that it would need to be managed over a 15-year lifecycle as the age range and span of certain older appliances would last until at least 2020. WEEE Ireland maintains a historical WEEE Reserve from recycling management costs to finance this Producer responsibility.

## **BLACKBOX**

The online Blackbox is the confidential reporting tool managed by the Producer Register Ltd - the National Registration Body for EEE and Battery Producers (formerly known as the WEEE Register Society). Producers receive access to this reporting programme when they register in Ireland for the first time on www.producerregister.ie



# WI FINANCE MODEL FLOWCHART

WEEE Ireland invoices Producers for the cost of environmental management of WEEE and waste batteries according to their Blackbox reporting of sales data

Producers include the costs of WEEE and waste battery management in the price of products placed on the market by Producers

Retailers pass on these costs as part of the product pricing and where applicable show the vEMC's on shelf edge labels instore and on websites

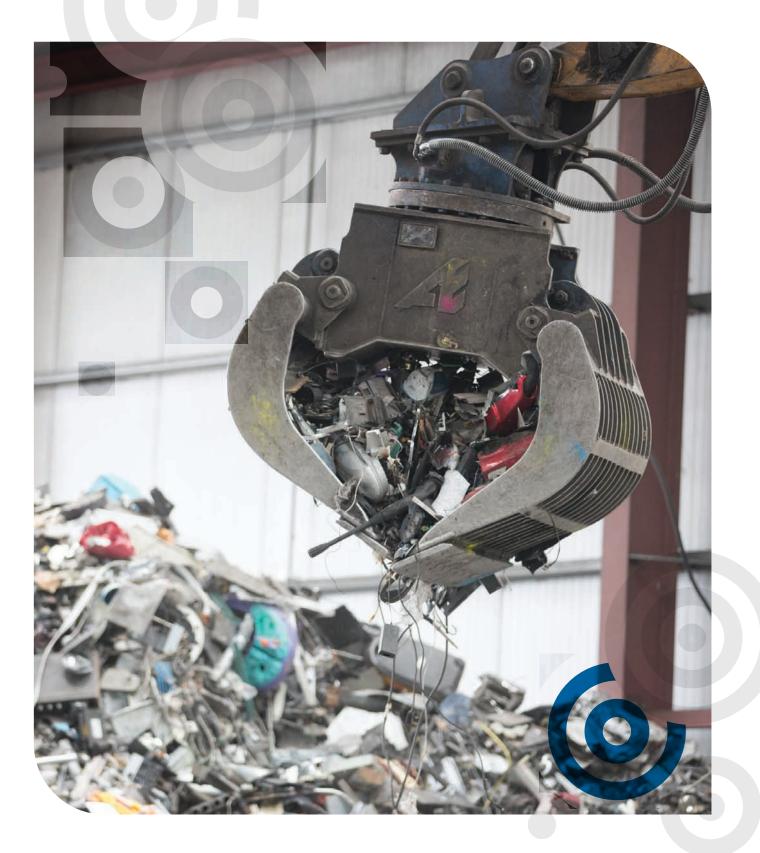
Consumers see pricing which highlights the contribution to Producer Recycling fund being made when purchasing the product. Supporting information advertises FREE takeback of WEEE and waste batteries when they purchase electrical appliances and batteries

## **INDUSTRY FEEDBACK**

WEEE Ireland meets with Members and trade associations from September to November each year to discuss projected costs to Producers in the 3 years ahead and also to receive Producer feedback on the industry growth and other trends.

## **METAL MARKETS**

In 2015 the Global Commodity Markets suffered significant declines particularly in the metal and plastics Markets sector. WEEE Ireland reviews these trends on a monthly basis as they have a significant impact on the price of recycling for Members. Conservative estimates have been used for 2016 and beyond in relation to pricing as a recovery to higher commodity values is not foreseen in the short to medium term.





## WEEE IRELAND FINANCE REPORT

A full report is circulated to all Members and a statement is published online on **www.weeeireland.ie** following the AGM

#### Highlights 2015:

- Clean audit report
- Maintenance of contingency reserve at 1 year direct operating cost
- Continued strategic management of the historic WEEE Reserves
- 3 year projections provided to Members for cost budgeting in October 2015
- €9.5 million Operating Income
- €6 million Collection & Recycling Costs
- €3.3 million Promotion, administration and overhead spend

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WEEE Ireland contributions to the national WEEE System 2015 include;

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€750,000

We'll Take it Back Retailers Marketing Fund



# €1.1 million

Retailer Collection Point Take Back Programme



€900,000

Local Authority WEEE Recycling Fund



€187,000

EPA WEEE Research & Enforcement







WEEE Ireland Board and Committee Meeting Attendance Record Year 2015 Mr Kieran Whelan

Board Meetings: Entitled to Attend; 4. Attended; 4
Finance Committee: Entitled to Attend; 12. Attended; 12
Independent Directors: Entitled to Attend; 1. Attended; 1

Mr Michael O'Shea

Board Meetings: Entitled to Attend; 4. Attended; 4
Battery Committee: Entitled to Attend; 2. Attended; 2

**Mr Paul Egan** 

Board Meetings: Entitled to Attend; 4. Attended; 4 Independent Directors: Entitled to Attend; 1. Attended; 1

**Mr Patrick Lynch** 

Board Meetings: Entitled to Attend; 4. Attended; 4
Finance Committee: Entitled to Attend; 12. Attended; 12
Independent Directors: Entitled to Attend; 1. Attended; 1

**Mr Des McCormack** 

Board Meetings: Entitled to Attend; 4. Attended; 3

Mr Cel O'Reilly

Board Meetings: Entitled to Attend; 4. Attended; 1
Finance Committee: Entitled to Attend; 12. Attended; 10

**Ms Claire Penny** 

Board Meetings: Entitled to Attend; 4. Attended; 3

Mr Martin Byrne

Board Meetings: Entitled to Attend; 4. Attended; 3

**Mr Joe Cunniam** 

Board Meetings: Entitled to Attend; 4. Attended; 3

**Ms Jean Cox-Kearns** 

Board Meetings: Entitled to Attend; 1. Attended; 1

**Mr Thomas Barillot** 

Board Meetings: Entitled to Attend; 3. Attended; 2

Mr Leo Donovan

Board Meetings: Entitled to Attend; 4. Attended; 4
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## IRELANDS NATIONAL HOUSEHOLD (B2C) WEEE COLLECTION RATE

## B2C WEEE placed on the market (POM) tonnes

EEE Category	2012	2013	2014
1 - Fridge Freezers	9,354	10,028	10,236
1 - Large Household Appliances	25,129	24,105	26,076
2 - Small Household Appliances	9,680	13,499	11,136
3 - IT&T	4,087	4,134	4,419
3 - Monitors	168	98	210
4 - Consumer Equipment	4,427	4,247	4,247
4 - TVs	5,118	3,185	2,972
5 - Lamps	883	825	1,178
5 - Luminaires	2,438	2,138	2,217
6 - Tools	4,047	3,452	4,332
7 - Toys	1,291	2,611	1,717
8, 9, 10 - Medical, Monitoring & Dispensers	271	284	356
Total	66,893	68,606	69,096

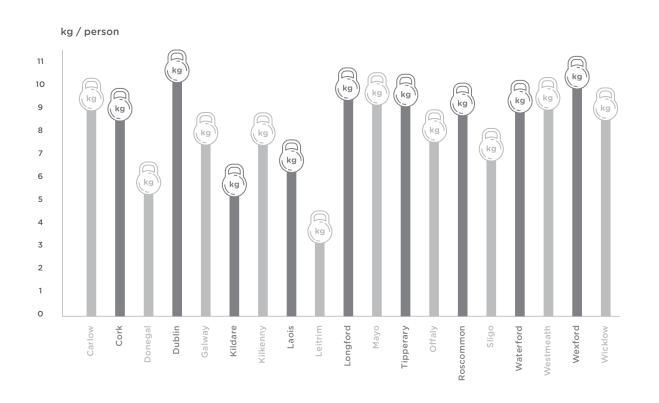
#### **WEEE collected tonnes**

EEE Category	2014	2015
1 - Fridge Freezers	5,807	6,243
1 - Large Household Appliances	13,671	18,659
2 - Small Household Appliances	3,807	2,849
3 - IT&T	2,424	2,630
3 - Monitors	1,076	1,012
4 - Consumer Equipment	3,040	2,149
4 - TVs	5,805	5,479
5 - Lamps	395	412
5 - Luminaires	650	807
6 - Tools	810	751
7 - Toys	36	43
8, 9, 10 - Medical, Monitoring & Dispensers	6	1
Total	37,527	41,035

#### **WEEE** collected tonnes

2015	2014	EEE Category
63%	59%	1 - Fridge Freezers
74%	53%	1 - Large Household Appliances
25%	37%	2 - Small Household Appliances
62%	56%	3 - IT&T
638%	892%	3 - Monitors
50%	73%	4 - Consumer Equipment
146%	125%	4 - TVs
43%	44%	5 - Lamps
36%	27%	5 - Luminaires
6 19%	21%	6 - Tools
6 2%	2%	7 - Toys
<1%	3%	8, 9, 10 - Medical, Monitoring & Dispensers
60%	55%	Total

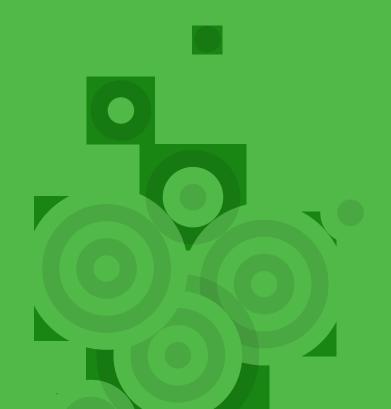
WEEE COLLECTED BY COUNTY KG / PERSON 2015



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MEMBERS 2015





All Water Systems Ltd Atlantic Homecare Ltd

3M Ireland Ltd Atlantic Surgical Ltd

4E-Fulfillment.Com Ltd Audio City Ltd

Hartmann & Son Ltd Aurora Lighting Ltd
A.H. Anderson & Co Ltd Auto Diesel Electric Ltd

A.M. Dunne & Son Ltd Automated Technical Controls Ltd

AB Power Systems Ltd Automatic Identification Systems Ltd

Abacus Systems & Networks Ltd AVA Systems Ltd

Abbott Laboratories Irl Ltd Avaya International Sales Ltd

ABC Abrasives Ltd Avcom Audio Visual Communications Ltd

Accuscience Ireland Ltd Avid Technology International BV

Acoustic Technologies Ltd Azette Ltd

Actavo (Ireland) Ltd B J Fitzpatrick Ltd

Active Mind Technology Ltd B S Lewis Ltd

Adattsi Ltd B&G Limited

Ademco Ltd B&Q Ireland Ltd
ADT Fire & Security Ltd Braun Medical Ltd

AEF Limited Banaghan & Co Ltd

Aereco Ltd Bard Ltd

Agfa Graphics NV Barker Photographic Ltd
Agfa Healthcare NV Batteryman Distribution Ltd

Agilent Technologies Ireland Ltd Bayer Ltd

Agrihealth Ltd BD Enterprises Ltd

Ailesbury Commercial & Industrial Security Ltd Beam Vacuum Systems Itd

AirDryer Systems Ltd Beaumex

Airlux Lighting Ltd Beauty Savers International Limited

Alcon Laboratories Ireland Ltd Bechtle Direct Ltd

Aldi Stores Ireland Ltd Beckman Coulter Diagnostics Ltd

Aliphcom Beechfield Healthcare Ltd
Allegro Ltd Beechill Enterprises Ltd

Allied Foods Ltd Beko PLC

Allied Imports Ltd Bellew Electrical Wholesale Ltd
Alumina Lighting Ltd Beltronics Computers Ltd

Amazon EU Sarl Bennetstone Ltd

Amazon Fulfillment Services Bering Time ApS

Ambassador Communications Ltd BestEcig

Amica Wronki S.A. Better Energy Management Ltd

Amway (UK) Ltd Betterware Limited
Anker Technology (UK) Ltd Bio-Sciences Ltd

Ann Summers Ireland (Retail) Ltd Bluestone Sales & Distribution Ltd

Anthony Tully Components Ltd BMC Digital Ltd

Apple Distribution International BMW Automotive (Ireland) Ltd

Appleby Jewellers Ltd BNR Ltd

Aquatec BOC Gases Ireland Ltd

AR O'Hare & Co Ltd Bodel Distributors Ltd
Arc Tec Welding Ltd Bord Gais Energy Ltd

Arco Safety Ltd Bose SMS Ltd

Ardilaun Electrical Services Ltd BP Multipage Ltd
Argos Distributors Ireland Ltd Brand Addition Ireland Ltd

Arista Networks Limited Brandon Marketing Ltd
Arjo Huntleigh (Ireland) Ltd Brett Supplies Ltd
Armalou Ltd Brighter Image Ltd

Armstrong Electronics Ltd Britelux Lighting Ltd

Arqiva Ltd Brother International Corp (IRL) Ltd

Arrow Central Europe GmbH Brown Thomas & Co Ltd
Arrow Emergency Lighting Ltd BSH Home Appliances Ltd
Ash Technologies Ltd BT Communications Ireland Ltd

Ashgrove Interparts Ltd Bulova UK Ltd

ASOS.com Ltd Burke Bros, Son & Co. Ltd
Associated Hardware Plc Bushell Interiors Ltd

Business Electronic Equipment Ltd D H Meters Ltd

Buy It Direct Ltd D Ryan Enterprises Ltd

Byrnes Electrical Wholesale Ltd D&P Multimedia Products Ltd

C&F Quadrant Ltd Dabs.com PLC
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Camsaw Distributors Ltd Daly Industrial Supply Company Ltd

Canon (Irl) Business Equipment Ltd Danfay Ltd

Canon Europa N.V. Data Display Company Ltd
Capital Water Systems Ltd Data Micrographics Ltd

Capralux Datapac Ltd

CapsuleTech SAS Davcon Rentals Ltd
Cardiogenics Ltd David Curran Wholesale

Carnival Trading Company Ltd David Lowe & Co Ltd

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Castle Electrical Factors Ltd Dem Machines Ltd

Castle Mechanical Handling Co Ltd Demesne Electrical Sales Ltd

Caulfield Industrial Ltd Derrywood Agencies & Distributors Ltd

Celtic Surveys Ltd
CH Marine Ltd
Diamand Teck Distribution Ltd
Charlie Shiels Ltd
Digicom Office Technology Ltd

CHD Ltd Digital Media Direct

Cheetah Electronics Ltd Dimpco

Chefaro Ireland Limited Divad International Ltd

Chemical Direct Diversey Hygiene Sales Limited

Chronotherm Controls Ltd DKA Retail Ltd

Chubb Ireland Ltd Dominic Fleming Electrical Accessories Ltd

CI EBike Domus Projects Ltd

CIA (Confidential Investigations Athlone) Ltd Donaghey Motorhomes Ltd

Cisco International Ltd (Ireland Branch) Doro AB

Citrix Systems International GmbH Drainbo Ireland Ltd

Citroen Motors Ireland Ltd Draper Tools (Ireland) Ltd

Claire's Accessories (UK) Ltd Dualtron Ltd

Clarence O'Flaherty & Co Ltd Dublin City Cool Ltd

Clarity Computer (Distribution) Ltd Dulux Paints Ireland Ltd

Classic Hardware Ltd Dunnes Stores

Clifford Electrical Wholesalers Ltd DWN Instrumentation Ltd

CMS Distribution Ltd Dyson Ireland Ltd
Codec DSS Ltd E. Fox (Engineers) Ltd

Codex Ltd E.J. Bodkin & Co Ltd

Coffey Healthcare Ltd EA Accessories Ltd
Cognex Ireland Ltd EA Symmons Ltd

Combilift Ltd Earthly Emporium

Comlights International Ltd Earthridge International Ltd

Component Distributors (CD Ireland) Ltd Eason & Son Ltd

Comvoc Technologies EasyTrip Services Ireland Ltd

Conns Cameras (Grafton Arcade) Ltd ECI Lighting Ltd

Cooney Electronics Ltd Edenrace Ltd

Cooper Lighting & Safety Ltd Edwards Lifesciences Ltd

Core Electrical Ltd EEW Ltd

Corkery Dowd Ltd Effective Distribution Ltd

Corry's Ironmongery Limited Egan Electrical Equipment
Costard Investments Ltd Eiko Ireland Ltd

Covidien Ireland Commercial Ltd Einhell UK Ltd
CPG Media Ltd Eircom Ltd

CRQ Ltd Electric Power Tool Co. Ltd

Cucina Ltd Electrobuy Ltd

Electroplus Cable & Satellite Ltd Fujifilm UK Ltd Elemex Ltd Fujitsu Ireland Ltd Elite Healthcare Ltd Fusion Technologies Ltd EmCon Systems Ltd Futura Electronics Ltd Emerald Healthcare Ltd G Dalton & Co. Ltd Emergency Response Ltd G2 Speech Ltd Emerson Network Power Ltd Gallagher Power Fence Systems (Irl) Ltd Emerson Process Management Gamucci Ireland Ltd Encyclomedia Garo Electric Ireland Ltd Energy Monitoring Ireland Ltd Garrabridge Ltd Energy Sense Ireland Ltd Gas Networks Ireland Environmental Monitoring Services Ireland Ltd Gaynor Pearse Motor Factors Envirosci Ltd GE Energy (Ireland) Ltd EPH Controls Ltd GE Healthcare Ireland E-pire Ltd GE Hungary Kft EPT-Irl-Ltd GE Medical Systems Ireland Ltd Equipment Company of Ireland GE Sensing EMEA Ethos Technology Ltd Gear4Music Ltd Euro Sales Ltd Genband Ireland Ltd Eurogeneral Retail Ltd General Electric International Inc Eurogrove Trading Ltd General Motors Ireland Ltd Eurolec Instrumentation Ltd Genfitt (Mayo) Ltd Europa Battery Distributors Ltd Gerry Matthews Engineering Ltd Gersan Services Ltd Europower DC Ltd Eurotek Ireland Ltd **GHO** Distribution Ltd Giles Masterson & Anthony Cummins EW Technologies Ltd EWeb Ltd **GKRT Ltd** EWL Limited Glamox Ireland Ltd Glen Dimplex Ireland Excel Electric Group Ltd Excel Plumbing Products Ltd Glenkrag Ltd Exertis Ireland Globalstar Europe Satellite Services Ltd Exertis Supply Chain Solutions GoBeyond Ltd Expert Ireland Retail Sales Plc Goldcrop Ltd Exsparetise Ltd Golfbuddy Europe Ltd Extreme Computers Ltd Google Commerce Ltd Extreme Networks Ireland Ltd Gowan Distributors Ltd Fade Agencies Ltd Graseby Medical Ireland Ltd Fagerhult Lighting Ltd Green Coffey Technology Ltd Fannin Ltd Greenvalu Ltd Farnell Components UK Ltd Groupe SEB UK Ltd Fergusons Hearing Aid Clinic Ltd H.E.R. Photo Supplies Ltd FG Wilson Engineering (Dublin) Ltd Hafele Ireland Ltd Fiat Chrysler Automobiles Ireland Ltd Hager Ltd Fields Retail Ltd Hahnel Industries Ltd Finglas Autoparts Ltd Hamco Enterprises Ltd Fire Technology Ireland Ltd Hamleys of London Fisher & Paykel Appliances Ltd Harold Engineering Ltd Flaherty Markets Ltd Harvey Nichols Dublin Ltd Flair Salon Services Ltd Harvey Norman Trading (Ireland) Ltd Flaktwoods (Ireland) Ltd **HC Slingsby PLC** Fleming Medical Ltd Heatons Flux Electrical Services Ltd Hella Ireland Ltd FMG Electronics (Distributors) Ltd Henley Forklift Group Ltd Fonemenders Ltd Henry Ford & Son Ltd Fónua Ltd Henry Schein Ireland Ltd Food Solutions Ltd Herron & Son Ltd Forcefield Active Technology Ltd Hi Fidelity Marketing Forklift Services & Handling Equipment Ltd Highcove Highway Wholesalers Ltd Fossil UK Ltd

Fresenius Medical Care (Ireland) ltd Hill-Rom Ltd

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Frank Flanagan Fittings Ltd

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Hillcrest Agencies Ltd

Kapp and Peterson Ltd Hilti (Fastening Systems) Ltd Hitachi Europe Ltd Karcher Limited Hi-Volt Ireland Ltd KCI Medical Ltd Keane's Wholesale Ltd Home Appliances Homebase House and Garden Centre Ltd Keaney Medical Ltd Homebots.ie Kelbert Instrumentation Ltd Homecare Medical Supplies Kenwood Ltd. Honeywell Control Systems Ltd Kertoy Ltd Hoover Ltd Kestra Electroweld Ltd Huawei Technologies (Ireland) Co. Ltd Kestrel Communications Ltd Hubris Ltd Keswick Engineers Ltd Kevin Broderick Ltd Hugh Jordan & Co Ltd Hyundai Cars Ireland KeyMed Ireland Ltd I.M. Automotive Ltd Kia Motors UK Ltd IBB International Bullion & Metal Brokers Ltd Kilkenny Welding Supplies Ltd IBM Ireland Ltd Kingspan Environmental (Ireland) Itd IC Realtime Ltd Kitchen Accessories Ltd IKEA Ireland Ltd KLA Tencor Ireland Ltd Ille Paper Service (IRL) Ltd Kleeneze Ltd In Hand Guides Ltd Kodaplay Ltd Indur (Wholesale) Ltd Komplett BV Kritman Ltd Ingersoll Rand International Ltd Instrument Technology Ltd Kyron Energy & Power Ltd Integral Lighting Ltd Laboratory Instruments & Supplies Interactive (Ireland) Ltd Laboratory Supplies Ltd International Trade Craft Laboratories Ltd Labquip (Ireland) Ltd IO Resource Ltd Lakeland Ltd Irish Aviation Authority Lamp Source Irish Broadband Services Ltd Lamps & Lighting Ltd Irish Business Systems Ltd Laztech IT Services Ltd Irish Commercials (Sales) Ltd Leading Edge Marketing & Promotions Ltd Irish Farm & Garden Machinery Ltd Lenovo Ireland Ltd Irish International Trading Corporation (Cork) Plc Levelling Equipment Services Ltd Irish Response Ltd Leydens Ltd Irish Soft Drinks Ltd LG Electronics (UK) Ltd Ixia Technologies International Ltd Lidacel Ltd J H Donnelly Ltd Liffey Distributors Ltd J.S. Dobbs & Co Ltd Lighthouse Trading Company Ltd James A Barry & Co Ltd Lighting & Electrical Distribution Linde Material Handling (Ireland) Ltd Java Instruments Technologies Ltd JBG Office Pro Ltd Linsar Ireland Ltd JDM Products Ltd Litehouse Accessories Ltd Jeffers Music Company Ltd LM Ericsson Ltd Jelan Trading LR Active Ltd Jim Hanley (Farm Machinery) Ltd Lumitech Ltd JJ McQuillan Son & Co Ltd Lyncare Ltd JJ's Appliances Sales & Repairs Centre Ltd Lyric Ireland Ltd M Donnelly & Co Ltd Joe King Batteries John Deere Forestry Ltd M J Flood (Irl) Ltd John McKenna Lawnmower Spares Ltd M. Kelliher 1998 Ltd John Mills Ltd Magimix UK Ltd John Murphy Castlerea Ltd Magnet Networks Ltd John Raftery Wholesale Mamas & Papas Retail Ltd John Stafford & Sons Dublin Ltd Manepa Ltd Johnson & Johnson Ireland Ltd Manotherm I td Joseph Murphy (Ballina) Ltd Maplin Electronics Ltd Jovi International Distribution Ltd Maquet Ireland Ltd Joyces Supermarket Marco Beverage Systems Ltd

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Mason Technology Ltd

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McCarthy Commercials Ltd Musicmaker Ltd

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McQuillan Wholesale Ltd National Association for the Deaf

Medicare Health & Living Ltd National Electrical Wholesalers Irl Ltd

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Medtronic Ireland Ltd Naturalife Health Ltd

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Michael Garry Limited New Look Retailers Ltd
Michael Guiney Limited Newstyle Hairsalons

Michael Madden International Next Retail Ltd

Michel Herbelin UK Ltd NHCS Ltd

Mickey Joe's Country Store Niall Stephenson Ltd

Micro Aid Nike Retail BV

MicroWarehouse Ltd Nike UK - Irish Branch

Midia Ltd Nikon UK Limited

Midland Lighting Nilfisk Ltd
Miele Ireland Limited Nisbets Plc

Minelab International Ltd Nissan Ireland

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Monbatt Ltd Oktalite Lichttechnik GmbH

Monster Cable International Ltd O'Meara Camping Ireland Ltd

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Professional Audio Ltd Setanta Vehicle Importers

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Progress Electroplating & Manufacturing Co. Ltd Shomar Ltd

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QVC Sigtec Ltd

Radio & Security Products Ltd Silver Ocean BV

Radio Fence Ltd Silverstone Media Solutions Ltd

Radiology Systems Ltd Singer Centre Galway
Radiometer Ireland Ltd Singer Sewing Centre

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Railslide Ltd Sky In-Home Services Ltd

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Sound Production Ltd Thorn Lighting Ltd

South West Wholesale Ltd. Three Ireland (Hutchison) Ltd

Spaldings Ltd Tiger Retail Ireland
Spectrum Distribution Ltd Tim Molloy Ltd

Spicers Ireland Ltd Timemark Ltd
Spraychem Ltd TMC Technology Ltd
Sprayquip Ltd TNS Distribution Ltd

Springhill Woodcrafts Ltd Tokyo Electron Europe Ltd

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Stox Designstyle Ltd Toyland Cash & Carry Ltd

Strongline Autoparts Ltd Toymaster Ltd
Sundrelle Ltd Toyota Ireland

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Technico Ltd UTC Fire & Security Ireland Ltd

Tech-Source Ltd UTS Technologies Ltd

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Teradata Ireland Ltd Vestas Ireland Ltd

Tesco Ireland Ltd Victoria Crystal Ltd

Tesco Mobile Ireland Ltd VIP Electronic Cigarette Ireland Ltd

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The Carphone Warehouse Ltd Volkswagen Group Ireland Ltd

The Delph Centre Volvo Car Ireland Ltd
The El Company Vorwerk UK Ltd

The Forklift Centre Ltd VP Equipment Rentals (Irl) Ltd

The Newbridge Cutlery Company Vygon Ireland Ltd
The Phone Accessories Company Ltd Wacker Neuson Ltd

The Sound Shop Walker Technology Products Ltd

Walter Bourke & Son Ltd

Waltons Music Limited

Washglade

Waterford Stanley Ltd

Waveguide Lighting Technologies Ltd

Weighing Machine Services Ltd

Weir & Sons

Wembar Company Ltd

Wesco Electrical Ltd

Westbourne IT Solutions Ltd

Westward Garage Ltd

Whirlpool Ireland Ltd

Whitelight LED Ltd

Whitgale Ltd

Wildcat Business Computing Ltd

Willie Duggan Lighting Ltd

Wink Lighting Ltd

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Woodies DIY & Garden Centres

Workshop Direct Ltd

WP Diagnostics

Wurth Ireland Ltd

X music Ireland Limited

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