



'Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries Passes 'Right to Reuse' Policy



At its Winter Board of Directors Meeting, the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries (ISRI), the Voice of the Recycling Industry™, formally adopted a policy in support of recyclers' ability to reuse products, and the benefits of reusing.

"More and more traditional recycling companies are diversifying their business models to include reuse," said Robin Wiener, president of ISRI. "It is essential that they have the legal protections in place that allows the lawful repair and return of these products to the marketplace. This policy allows ISRI to advocate for such protections."

The policy states that, ISRI members across the commodity spectrum rely on reusing goods and products, including electronics equipment, automotive parts and tires, as part of their business models. Reuse provides an excellent environmental and economic benefit. Despite these benefits, product manufacturers limit the ability of recyclers to legitimately reuse products; for example, by limiting parts and parts information, manuals, and utilizing digital locks that impede a product's reuse. These practices inhibit every recycler's right to return products and goods back into the marketplace for legitimate reuse. Consumers should have access to cost-effective alternatives to new products and replacement parts. As global resources become more constrained, the right to reuse should be fully supported.

Redwood City Port to Boost Bauxite Ore Imports



The Port of Redwood City Commission has approved expanding acreage use by International Materials Incorporated (IMI) for its handling of bauxite ore imports.

IMI entered its initial lease agreement with the Port in 2010 for approximately a 2.4 acre paved open area next to the building occupied by iCracked.

IMI uses the area to import, store, and truck-out bauxite ore. In 2012 IMI requested additional area for handling bauxite, and recently an expansion to that area. With the

approval by The Port Commission of the amendment to the IMI lease, the area for bauxite has increased by 2.7 acres.

Port Executive Director Michael J. Giari reported that IMI, since the start of its lease, has increased the tonnage of bauxite handled at the Port. So far in fiscal year 2016, bauxite imports total 68,000 metric tons compared to 52,000 in all of FY 2015. IMI has provided environmental mitigation for dust emissions by tarping material and wetting truck load-out areas. There is also a new provision regarding storm water management.

Can-pack Romania Invests in Intelligent Collection Devices



Can-Pack Romania, the only producer of aluminium cans in Romania, plans to invest 200,000 Euro in order to install during this year 21 intelligent collection devices of aluminium can waste that will be implemented in the Auchan hypermarket network, according to Adina Magsi, the general manager of Alucro.

Alucro, a non-profit association, was founded in 2008 by Can-Pack Romania and EAA in order to promote the collection-recycling system of aluminium cans on the local market.

The organization will carry out information campaigns in order to determine the population to use these devices to recover the waste and avoid disposing of the aluminium cans in inappropriate places. "We have far more ambitious plans for 2016 that we want to achieve as we planned," said Adina Magsi, the general manager of Alucro.

"We will launch our EveryCanCounts campaign for the first time in a hypermarket (Auchan), where we will install 21 smart collection devices for aluminium cans. In exchange for waste, the units will issue a discount voucher that can be used in Auchan," said Adina Magsi.

Can-Pack Romania entered the recycling system as well, investing about 200,000 Euro in developing an aluminium can recycling station in Bucharest, at European standards, according to Magsi. The unit has a capacity of 300 tonnes per month which means 3,600 tonnes per year nominal capacity.