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NOTICE

Kind Attention: Producers under Battery Waste Management Rules, 2022

Sub: Fulfilment of EPR obligations by the Producers of Battery through Online EPR Portal of Central Pollution Control Board under Battery Waste Management Rules, 2022

Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change notified Battery Waste Management Rules, 2022 (BWM Rules, 2022) on 22.08.2022 and amendments dated 25.10.2023.

As per Rule 4 of BMWM Rules, 2022 Producer of battery shall have the obligation of Extended Producer Responsibility for the Battery that they introduce in the market to ensure the attainment of the recycling or refurbishing obligations. Further, as per Schedule II (v) of BWM Rules, 2022 Producer will meet their Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) obligation through the Extended Producer Responsibility certificate made available by recycler or refurbisher.

Producers of Battery are required to engage with the registered Waste Battery Recyclers (information available on National Dashboard) for procurement of EPR certificates. These EPR certificates are generated by registered battery recyclers through the Online EPR portal of Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB). Producers may also report information related to Waste Battery Recyclers not generating/transferring EPR credits through the EPR portal to notice of CPCB for further action. All producers of Battery are required to comply with EPR obligation, failing which appropriate action asper Rules may be initiated by CPCB.

In case of non-availability of Extended Producer Responsibility certificates with recyclers or refurbishes, the Producer is required to ensure collection in accordance with the allocated target. In order to develop a separate waste stream for collection of Waste Battery for fulfilling EPR obligations, the Producer, may operate schemes such as deposit refund system or buy back or any other model.

Necessary actions as per the rules will be initiated against non-complying entities.

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