



The EarthECycle Pittsburgh “Recycling” Scam

May 24, 2009

Many recyclers don't really recycle – they simply collect e-waste from the public, often with free collection events, and then export it to developing countries. Based on research by the Basel Action Network (BAN) and the Electronic TakeBack Coalition (ETBC), EarthECycle, which handled the waste collected in several recent massive free e-waste collection events in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, appears to be such a company.

This report contains the story of a problem, but it is worth pointing out that there are solutions to the current e-waste export crisis. First, we must pass a federal e-waste export ban that is without loopholes (e.g. for reuse). Second, consumers large and small, must make use of the companies in our e-Stewards Initiative that have taken a loss in profit in order to do what is right. Only the e-Stewards have agreed to live by a full ban on the export of toxic e-waste to developing countries. It is important to reward those companies that act responsibly as much as it is important to punish those that abuse our trust. For more information about responsible recyclers visit: www.e-Stewards.org.

What the Research Revealed

In the months of March and April, two major free e-waste collection events utilizing the company EarthECycle, based in Tulsa, Oklahoma, for alleged recycling took place in the Pittsburgh area. The first event was sponsored by the Washington County Humane Society (March 19-22nd), and the second (March 29-April 6) was sponsored by Allegheny County and the Western Pennsylvania Humane Society.



Photo of the inside of Braddock Ave. warehouse taken by the state Department of Environmental Protection during their brief investigation. Photo shows jumble of monitors, faxes, printers.* April 2009.

*Note: Media may need permission to use this photo. Contact: Robert Popichak, Department of Environmental Protection, Phone: 412.442.4160 rpopichak@state.pa.us. He has many more photos and did the inspection.



Photo of inside of 6th container at Monroeville warehouse subsequently shipped to South Africa. Photo shows stack of large CRT monitors. © BAN, April 2009.

BAN volunteers followed the trucks leaving these events carrying the massive amounts of electronic waste collected from the general public and found it was taken to two warehouses used by EarthECycle. First the trucks went to an old rundown warehouse at 408 N Braddock Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15208 (Homewood district). Later they were delivered to another warehouse at 4876 Old William Penn Highway, Monroeville, PA 15146 (old Levin's warehouse). Neither of the warehouses possessed electronic recycling equipment. Both of these warehouses were then observed in the days surrounding the collection event. The only work observed at these warehouses were the offloading and

reloading of trucks onto sea-going 40 foot containers using what appeared to be temporary day laborers. The containers found were photographed and the numbers of 7 containers were recorded and duly tracked using shipping company online tracking tools. We are uncertain whether there were more than 7 containers involved as it was impossible to maintain 24 hour surveillance.

The first three containers were exported to Hong Kong from the Port of Newark, New Jersey. These we later learned from Hong Kong authorities were to be trans-shipped to Vietnam and would have arrived there had the authorities not taken action. Two more were sent to Hong Kong later and were recalled by the shipper after the first three had been returned by the shipping company. The sixth container we are tracking was shipped to Durban, South Africa. The last container is also on its way to Hong Kong and we await word from the authorities as to what actions will be taken. In accordance with BAN's normal practice for tracked containers, the Basel Convention competent authorities of Hong Kong (Hong Kong Environmental Protection Department) and South Africa (Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism) were warned of the pending arrivals of the electronic waste. Attached is the response by Hong Kong EPD to BAN indicating that following our warning, EPD has received assurances that the shipping company (Maersk) has agreed to return the containers to the

Container Number	Destination	Authority Notified	Action Taken
MSKU 8745931	Vietnam via Hong Kong	Yes, HK EPD	HK protested pending transit to Vietnam, HK EPD notified BAN May 15 that Shipping Company returned containers to US.
TCNU 9268324	Vietnam via Hong Kong	Yes, HK EPD	
TCNU 9546549	Vietnam via Hong Kong	Yes, HK EPD	
MSKU1380560	Hong Kong	Yes, HK EPD	Recalled voluntarily by shipper, left HK 18 May
MSKU1381714	Hong Kong	Yes, HK EPD	
MSCU7870035	Durban, South Africa (ETA May 26)	Yes, SA	Protest letter sent from SA to Basel Convention
CBHU8239396	Hong Kong (ETA May 30)	Yes, HK EPD	Unknown

Delivered-To: apex@seanet.com
 Subject: RE: IMPORTANT: Containers
 To: "'Jim Puckett'" <apex@seanet.com>, <yuka@ban.org>
 Cc: stohan@epd.gov.hk, kyeung@epd.gov.hk, yutudo@epd.gov.hk, williamlo@epd.gov.hk
 X-Mailer: Lotus Notes Release 7.0.3 September 26, 2007
 From: garytam@epd.gov.hk
 Date: Fri, 15 May 2009 14:46:18 +0800

Dear Jim and Yuka,

Thank you for your e-mails.

Having checked with the relevant shipping company, the three containers in question (MSKU 8745931, TCNU 9268324 and TCNU 9546549) have not been discharged in Hong Kong but have been directly returned to the USA.

Under the above circumstances, we have informed the US EPA about the details of the return shipment such that they can follow up the matters.

Regarding the other two containers (MSKU 1380560 and MSKU 1381714), we are investigating the matter and will inform you of the result in due course.

Many thanks for your information.

Gary Tam
 EPD - 15 May 09
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e-Mail from Hong Kong EPD officials to BAN, 15 May 2009 following actions taken by EPD to warn shipping company.

US shipper (This would be Mr. Jeff Nixon, unless he is using a broker). EPD has also notified US EPA of the returned shipments. BAN has also notified EPA of the possibly illegal shipments.

Online Solicitations

In addition to the actual tracking evidence of EarthECycle’s export of the e-Waste from the events in question, BAN has discovered unabashed solicitations by EarthECycle asking for all comers including those in export markets to buy for 15 cent/pound his massive accumulations of e-waste. Apparently Mr. Nixon is counting on the 5 cents per pound margin for his profit, if he indeed pays his partner charities what he has promised. It’s likely however he also “cherry picks” high-value donations in the warehouse prior to ex-port to supplement his profits. See: <http://www.recycleinme.com/rim-jinixon/selloffer-23818.aspx> BAN/ETBC has

screen shots of these sites for your use.

Some other examples include:

[RecycleInme ad:](#) “Mixed computer and electronic waste from recycling events around the US. Orders are accepted. Special orders are filled daily from 6 warehouses. 100,000 lbs available daily.” [Alibaba ad:](#) “We would like to build a long term relationship with a buyer of 40k lbs a week of EOL computers, monitors, printers, copiers, televisions cell phones, ac adaptors, APC, cable/satellite boxes, etc.”

Then there is the very blatant ad at the Exporters.SG site shown here.

The screenshot shows a webpage from Exporters.SG. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Home | Buying | Selling | Enquiry' and a search box. The main heading is 'Televisions and computer ewaste'. Below this, there is a search bar with 'GO' and a 'Buying Information' section. The 'Buying Information' section includes: Seller: EarthCycle(R), LLC (a TRP); Product: Televisions and computer ewaste; Date Posted: 7/17/2008; Product ID: 359315; Category: Electronic Scrap; Unit Price: US\$6000; Offer Quantity: 1 40' FCL (Full Container Load); Minimum Order: 20 40' FCL (Full Container Load); Payment Terms: Telegraphic Transfer (T/T); Stock Location: UNITED STATES; Delivery Time: 14 days; Shipping Terms: FOB (Free On Board) (See definitions). There is also an 'Additional - Information:' section. At the bottom, there are buttons for 'Recommend This', 'Search Similar', and 'Source Quotations'.



Hong Kong customs officials at work breaking the seals on a container and using a container x-ray machine. Officials are only able to inspect a few containers per day for contraband. It has been estimated that about 50 containers of electronic waste per day pass the port of Hong Kong and are eventually smuggled into Mainland China. © BAN 2009.

What Happens to the Exported e-Waste?



Woman cooking circuit boards in Guiyu, China. Such operations create very harmful emissions of dioxins and heavy metals. Had BAN not warned the authorities the EarthECycle waste collected in Pittsburgh would likely have met a similar fate. © BAN 2001.

Much of the e-Waste exported from the United States by “recycling” companies such as EarthECycle are sent on ships directly to Hong Kong where it is then quickly smuggled into mainland China. It is important to know that no legal electronic waste recycling takes place in affluent Hong Kong and thus no import permits have been granted there according to the EPD. Containers are routinely removed from the ship and are taken to yards or warehouses in Hong Kong which sort and reload the waste onto trucks. These truckloads enter mainland with ease despite there being forbidden to import. The smuggling trade is brisk even in the current economic downturn and it is estimated that about 50 containers per day arrive in Hong Kong and are then smuggled into mainland.

Once in mainland China the waste is likely to be sent to the final dumping ground for most of the global e-Waste trade, a region known as Guiyu in Guangdong Province just about 5 hours drive from Hong Kong.

There the e-waste is usually cracked, burned and melted down in unsafe conditions by some of China's poorest communities. Since BAN first went to Guiyu in 2001, scientists have followed and have recorded some of the highest levels of dioxin, lead, and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon contamination ever recorded due to the highly toxic waste being recycled with inappropriate technologies. Eighty percent of children in Guiyu, China, a region where many "recycled" electronics wind up, have elevated levels of lead in their blood due to cooking the circuit boards that originate in the United States. To learn more:



Electronic waste from the US stacked high at the "burn houses" in Guiyu as toxic smoke billows out over the community. Copyright BAN 2008.

www.electronicstakeback.com/problem/export_problem.htm and www.ban.org

And read the report: Exporting Harm: The High-Tech Trashing of Asia found at:

<http://www.ban.org/E-waste/technotrashfinalcomp.pdf>

For more pictures visit the BAN photogallery: <http://www.ban.org/photogallery/index.html>



Children in Guiyu, subjected to the extreme pollution from imported electronic waste have been found to have highly elevated levels of lead in their blood and recorded brain impairment. Copyright BAN 2008.

Are These Shipments Illegal?

Only law enforcement officials or judiciary officials can make a determination as to legality. Judging however by what we know about waste trade laws, it would appear these shipments are very likely to be violating the law either in the exporting country (US) or in the importing country (e.g. Hong Kong, China or South Africa).

Some of the known laws apply in particular to Cathode Ray Tubes (CRTs) and others, to all Basel Convention listed hazardous wastes (e.g. materials containing lead such as circuit boards, CRTs, and batteries). BAN volunteers observed CRTs being loaded on some of the

containers and it is likely all seven containers contain CRTs. In the table below we outline the laws which are apt to apply to these exports.

Law Applying to the Humane Society Event / EarthECycle Export		
Country	Likely Violation	Explained
USA	CRT Rule. http://www.epa.gov/osw/hazard/recycling/electron/index.htm	Requires notification to EPA prior to any export of CRTs both for reuse (one time) and recycling (shipment by shipment) List of legal notifiers appears at: http://www.epa.gov/osw/hazard/international/crts/recycling.htm and http://www.epa.gov/osw/hazard/international/crts/reuse.htm
China / Hong Kong	Waste Disposal Ordinance (WDO; Cap. 354, Laws of Hong Kong)	Hong Kong Law forbids imports of electronic waste for recycling as there are no permitted facilities in Hong Kong. Further Hong Kong law forbids entry into Hong Kong for any reason of waste batteries and CRTs.
South Africa or Vietnam	Basel Convention (Article 4, para 5) and (Article 11, para 1) http://www.basel.int/text/con-e-rev.pdf	As a party to the Basel Convention it is illegal for South Africa to receive Basel Convention listed hazardous waste from the United States as the US is a non-party and trade can only take place between Parties, unless a special bilateral agreement exists (no such agreement exists). Electronic wastes listed under Basel include lead contaminated equipment, batteries, and CRTs.

Charities / Local Officials / Public, Duped

Many well intending consumers take their old electronics to e-waste recycling collection events, thinking they are doing a good thing for the environment. In the case of EarthECycle, the public is doubly fooled as they think that not only are they doing well for the environment but also providing funding for charities.



EarthECycle's Jeff Nixon, Allegheny County Executive Dan Onorato, and Western Pennsylvania Humane Society (WPHS) Executive Director Lee Nesler, from a photo accompanying the press release announcing the free event.

EarthECycle (sometimes using other names) partners with non-profits and charities in different parts of the country to conduct “fundraisers” where the charity does all the outreach to collect e-waste for free via collection events and provides much of the volunteer labor on the collection days.

On the EarthECycle website the following “clients” are listed:

A short list of our supporters and clients. We thank you all for being responsible and supporting our efforts. Habitat For Humanity of Beaver County, Humane Society of Western PA, Humane Society of Butler County, Mingo Valley Christian School, Evangelistic Temple School, YMCA, YWCA, Hope Harbor, inc., Chemtrade Refinery, Inc., Oklahoma Surgical Hospital, Allorica, Southcrest Hospital Tulsa, Cartidge World , SBC Global, O.J. Engineering, Optimum Services, Levelle Creations, Glenpool Public Schools, Kaiser Francis Oil Company, AeroStructures, Summit Bank, Tulsa Community College, Craters and Freighters, Mazzios, Ron Palmer Real Estate Appraisal, Flight Saftey, Jean Marie Creations, Broken Arrow Public Scools, Family Medical Care , Cornerstone Assistance Network, Helmerich & Payne, Oral Roberts University, Trans Union, JD Young Copiers, Topog-E Gasket Co, TU- Keplinger Hall, Interium Health Care, Cherokee Nation, Day Spring Villa, Cox Communications, Webco Industries, Tulco Oil and ever growing.

Pittsburgh and other national charities such as Humane Society put their reputation on the line to partner with EarthECycle for “fundraisers” where the charity uses its good name to attract a trusting public to bring in old electronic products. In return, variously claims they will pay the charity between \$5000 and \$10,000 for 100,000 pounds of e-waste collected.

Their [website makes this claim](#):

“You can run your own event to benefit any organization. Please contact us to hold a Computer and Electronics Recycling Event Fundraiser. Each event earns you and the organization sponsor \$5,000 each for each 100,000 lbs.”

Charities in Pittsburgh say they were promised \$10K for 100,000 lbs. Bear in mind that most legitimate recyclers know that proper management of cathode ray tube waste such as computer monitors and TVS is of negative value as proper recycling of these cannot derive profit from the materials and the toxicity prevents these from being dumped in landfills. Indeed we note that in the press statements prior to the Humane Society event EarthECycle did ask for customers to pay a fee:

“There will be a \$15 charge for non-plasma flat screen televisions because of the delicate and expensive nature of recycling such older model televisions.” (see Post-Gazette article below)

But if this “environmental fee” was collected and then the CRTs were simply exported as appears to be the case, then the customers were seriously misled as that fee could have been pocketed rather than provide the presumed environmentally sound and costly recycling. The public all along is led to thinking they are doing a good deed, and that their old equipment is getting recycled, and they are diverting wastes from landfill, and helping charities all at the same time. The reality is that this is a scam.



"Recycling" taking place on Humane Society Event waste at the Braddock Ave. warehouse, in Homewood. © BAN 2009.

"We are asking people to look around their homes, businesses, schools, clubs, wherever they might have old electronics that they would like to dispose of in an environmentally sensitive way," said Lee Nesler, executive director of the Humane Society. (see Post-Gazette article)

Not only were local charities duped, but local officials as well.

"We are committed to promoting sustainable practices with county government and through countywide policies and programs. This is a perfect opportunity to recycle old materials in an environmentally friendly way, while helping our four-legged friends," Mr. Onorato (Allegheny County Executive) said. (see Post-Gazette article below)

Sources:

"Allegheny County, Humane Society to recycle electronics" <http://www.post-gazette.com/pg/09078/956862-100.stm>

"Recycling to Benefit Humane Society", <http://www.post-gazette.com/pg/09079/957013-85.stm>

and in this press release: <http://www.alleghenycounty.us/news/2009/20090319a.aspx>

Claims of "no export"

At the press conference announcing the Humane Society Event, Mr. Nixon is seen frolicking with rescued pets, together with Western Pennsylvania Humane Society Executive Director Lee Nesler and County Executive Mr. Onorato. At the press conference he was asked about whether the materials were exported. According to the Post-Gazette:

*Jeff Nixon, chief executive officer of EarthCycle, said **the electronic waste collected will mostly be processed in the company's warehouse in Homewood.***

"Much of the waste we work with is stuff that we can repair and then resell because it's still usable. The rest of it will be broken down and reprocessed by local recycling companies," said Mr. Nixon.

And on the EarthECycle Website it states: *Do you send anything outside of the U.S.?* And the answer given on the FAQ: *We do not even send any ewaste to canada or mexico like some "responsible" recyclers. We do sell retail grade items for use to the disadvantaged al (sic) over the world.*

However the truth is best told in this website:

http://www.exporters.sg/member_profile.asp?co_id=107653 Where Mr. Nixon is listed as an exporter of electronic scrap collected from charities!

No Obvious Recycling Infrastructure

Instead, it appears that EarthCycle has no actual recycling operation aside from a small computer reuse business in Tulsa. The e-waste collected from the events held recently by the Humane Society in the Pittsburgh, PA area were first brought to a run-down warehouse in Pittsburgh's Homewood area (408 North Braddock Ave), where they were unloaded from the rental trucks. Photos from the State DEP reveal that there was no "recycling" taking place inside or even the kind of sorting and stacking you might expect to see from someone who was planning to disassemble the products for proper materials management.

Indeed, despite his stating in the press conference that the collected Humane Society event waste **"will mostly be processed in the company's warehouse in Homewood."** His own website admits the following:

Do you process any of the ewaste yourself?

We are currently in negotiations to opens a processing plant here in the U.S. that will insure no ewase (sic) is processed in an immoral and unsafe way. Once we are in full control of our ewaste there will be no question as to where it goes. We will sell the raw processed materials back to responsible manufacturers of new products thus lessening the unearthing process.

In other words "we do no processing despite claiming we will do it in a warehouse in Homewood," and "we never state who does our processing."

Who is EarthCycle?

EarthECycle is really Mr. Jeffrey L. Nixon who operates under a variety of companies. He is the owner of Earth Computer and Electronics Recycling, LLC, and AABC Computer Company and EarthCycle, LLC.



Jeff Nixon, owner of Earth Computer and Electronics Recycling, displays a couple of weeks' worth of recovered electronics waiting to be sorted, tested and eventually reused. The company recovers many kinds of electronics, from computers and TVs, to stereos and medical equipment. MICHAEL WYKE / Tulsa World

Biographical information can be found on the AABC site and more information can also be found at:

<http://www.jeffreynixon.info/> (see excerpt below)

Another article appears in Tulsa World with info about Jeffrey Nixon and is the source of the picture herein: http://www.tulsaworld.com/business/article.aspx?articleID=20080709_46_E1_hItems987227

From www.JeffreyNixon.info:

Jeffrey L. Nixon is the owner of Earth Computer and Electronics Recycling, LLC, and An Anointed Because of Christ (AABC)Computer Company and EarthCycle, LLC.

<http://www.earthcycle.us>

I enjoy my work and long hours. What ever impact we can have on our environment should be good.

Accomplishments

Raised in Westport Connecticut Jeff learned what the value of a dollar is and what how hard work combined with education was worth. Mr. Nixon enjoyed the life as a student at Staples High School before joining the army as a medic to pay his way through College. He started his medical training as a lab technician at the Community College of Allegheny County and continued on to Pre-Med at the University of Pittsburgh. Jeffrey L. Nixon discovered his true talents and desires while working at the Biotech Center as part of the UPMC Staff in the Artificial Heart and Lung transplant Research Center under Dr. Litwak. Jeff fell in love with computers and all the possible functions they could have, virtually unlimited just like Jeff. Jeff Nixon opened his first computer store in Braddock PA, and continued on his entrepreneurial path to success in Tulsa OK. Jeff now owns 3 successful computer and electronics recycling stations in Tulsa and additional warehouses in Connecticut, Florida, Minnesota and Pennsylvania.

Contact

To contact Jeffrey L. Nixon call (918) 835-3882

Links

[Http://www.aabccomputers.us](http://www.aabccomputers.us) <Http://www.earthcycle.us>

Mr. Nixon's Companies

Although Mr. Nixon appears to be based in Tulsa, Oklahoma, he is able to run events all over the country. On the EarthECycle website under "News" states: *We have representation (sic) in all 50 states as of March, 2009. Please call 877-we-ecycl for event locations and dates.*

Company Names and Websites

Name	Address	Website
Earth Ecycle LLC (Corporate filing calls this an LLP)	4530 S Sheridan #114 Tulsa, OK, 74145 Phone: 1-877-we-ecycle Fax: 1-877-we-cycle	http://www.earthecycle.us/index.html
Earth Computer and Electronics Recycling	3116 E. Pine Street Tulsa, OK 918-835-3882 Phone 918-313-5560 Cell phone	Some computer repair happens at this address.
AABC Computers (as in An Annoited Because of Christ)	3116 E. Pine Street Tulsa, OK 918-835-3882 Phone 918-313-5560 Cell phone Also 18420 E Admiral Pl Catoosa, OK 74015 (918) 835-3882	http://www.aabccomputers.us/
AABC Electronic Waste Recycling L.L.C.	3116 E. Pine Street Tulsa, OK 918-835-3882 Phone 918-313-5560 Cell phone	Uses site above
Dominion Earth	4530 S Sheridan #114 Tulsa, OK, 74145 Phone: 1-877-we-ecycle Fax: 1-877-we-cycle	Uses this site (maybe too new for own site yet) http://www.earthecycle.us/index.html
Oneup Internet Cafe & Gourmet Coffee Shop	3116 E. Pine Street Tulsa, OK 94110 918-835-3882 5/hr complimentary with food jnixon@techemail.com 7am-3am	Gourmet Coffee Shop with 13 internet accessible computers.
Jeffrey Liggett Nixon owns all of these		http://www.jeffreynixon.info/

Known Collection Locations

Ongoing Collection Sites they run or are connected with:

Location	Where is that?	Info source
24 hour drop off: 18420 E. Admiral Pl, Catoosa, OK 74015	AABC Computer office	Listed on Earth Ecycling site
4530 S. Sheridan Rd. Tulsa, OK 74145 Suite 114. Drop off your computers and electronics for recycling from 8AM to 5PM M-F or outside at south east side of building.	EarthEcycle Office	Listed on EarthEcycling site
3420 Agricultural Center Dr St Augustine, FL 32092	Warehouse for CoolCat, an IT resale business they partner with in FL	www.coolcat.com

The EarthECycle Website says:

“Additional warehouse locations in Tulsa and Catoosa Oklahoma, Jacksonville, Tampa and Miami Florida, Waterbury Connecticut, Harmony Pennsylvania, Springdale Minnesota, San Francisco California, Seattle Washington. Soon opening warehouses in Newark NJ, Chicago Illinois and Dallas TX.”

Planning National Collection Infrastructure

There are several indications that EarthECycle is developing a national collection infrastructure, based on the free collection events being held in Pittsburgh this month. They have online ads for hiring “event organizers” under different company names, in Oklahoma, Portland, Nashville, Arizona, Memphis.

Job postings for event coordinators and fundraisers say:

“We are launching a national campaign to meet the increasing needs of people to recycle their electronic waste. We set up fundraising events to help local communities.”

On one of his websites, this is posted:

“Closing negotiations for national and ongoing computer and electronics recycling event with international chain. This event will salvage e-waste and recycle thru all 50 states. Open new call center under the name of Dominion to support 10 National Event Coordinators, 50 State Coodinators and 250 Local Event Coordinators.”

Some of the job postings are under this new name -- Dominion Earth.

One recent posting under the name of “Green Jobs” is located at:

<http://www.sustainlane.com/jobs/environmental-event-coordinator-earthecycle/D43DM34714YBC8QUVYDFBTRQV9JZ>

The Pittsburgh Collection Events

From EarthCycle website (no longer posted):

February 20, 2009	Closing negotiations for national and ongoing computer and electronics recycling event with international chain. This event will salvage ewaste and recycle thru all 50 states. Open new call center under the name of Dominion to support 10 Nationa Event Coordinators, 50 State Coodinators and 250 Local Event Coordinators.
February 28 thru March 8, 2009	Computer and Electronics Recycling Drive to Benefit Westmorland County Humane Society. Route 119/New Alexandria Rd. Greensburg, PA 15601. Contact Kathy Burkley at 724-837-3779.
March 19 thru March 22, 2009	Salvage, drop off, recycle, get rid of your old computer to benefit Washington County Humane Society 1527 Rt 136, Eighty Four, PA 15330. Contact Alice Wancowicz 724-260-0495.
March 29 thru April 6, 2009	Western PA Humane Society. 1101 Western Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15212. Contact Gretchen Fieser- Marketing Dir- 412-321-4625
April 1 thru April 30, 2009	WQED Public television. 5000 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15213. Contact Linda Taggart- Dir of Fundraising 412-622-1300. (This event appears to have been cancelled)
April 19 thru May 5, 2009	Carnegie Mellon University. 5000 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15213. Contact Sarah Strano 610-420-1519. (This event was cancelled)
April 24 thru April 26, 2009	Animal League of Berks County. April 24 - 26, 10am - 5pm - Earth-E-Cycle A Recycling "Project" for Recycling "Pets" Drop off locations: Penn State Berks commuter parking lot section C4 - (check back for more locations)

A Tale of 7 Containers

Note: multiple pictures were taken to both establish container number as well as site location



1st container: MSKU8745931, to Hong Kong



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7th Container: CBHU8239396, to Hong Kong



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DISPOSE of your Old ELECTRONICS FOR FREE!

Simply drop your old electronic items into a recycle container that has been placed in one of our park locations, and help us to provide care for Pittsburgh's unwanted animals! For questions or more information call 412-321-4625 x248
Proceeds benefit the Western PA Humane Society.

March 28 - April 11, 2009

North Park, Boyce Park, South Park, and Settler's Cabin Park containers located in the SWIMMING POOL PARKING LOT AREAS.

- North Park
- Boyce Park
- South Park
- Settler's Cabin Park
- Round Hill Park
(Drop off at Duck Pond Parking Lot)
- North Shore Humane Society
(Drop off at North Shore Parking Lot)

Drop off to the following parking lots between:
10am - 7pm weekdays & 10am - 5pm weekends



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Radios
Game Consoles
Telephones
PDAs

Typewriters
Cell Phones
VCRs
DVD Players
All Batteries
Generators
Speakers
Microwaves

Radios
Fax Machines
CB Radios
Plotters
Cables/Wiring
Electric Lawnmowers
Electric Wheelchairs
Calculators

*Note: Media may need permission to use this photo. Contact: Robert Popichak, Department of Environmental Protection, Phone: 412.442.4160 rpopichak@state.pa.us. He has many more photos and did the inspection.



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MARCH 19TH THROUGH MARCH 22, 2009

DROP OFF LOCATIONS:

CROWNE CENTER MALL	10 - 5	EACH DAY
SOUTPOINTE ICEOPLEX	10 - 5	EACH DAY
TRACTOR SUPPLY - Route 19S	10 - 5	EACH DAY

Drop off the following items ---No drop off fees:

Computers/Laptops/Monitors	Phones/Home & Cell	Power Supplies
Printers/Copiers/Scanners	VCR/DVD/CD Units	AC Adaptors
Wires/Cables/parts	Keyboards	Projectors
Fax machines/All in ones	Game Consoles	Remote Controls
Batteries of all Kinds	Generators	Microwave Ovens
Cameras/Video Cameras	Wireless Devices	Electric Lawnmowers
Radios/Stereos/Speakers	Printers	Electric Wheelchairs
Electric Pianos & Organs		

Televisions accepted for a \$15.00 FEE EACH - Check only to EarthCycle No wooden consoles

INFO/DELIVERY/PICK UP CALL SHIRL 412-519-6541

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