



Dear Valued Members:

On October 13, the Government of Quebec released a draft regulation ([FRE / EN](#)) to amend the existing *Regulation on the Recovery and Reclamation of Products by Businesses* ([FRE / EN](#)), which is the extended producer responsibility legislation in the province.

We encourage you to review the critical points below that summarize proposed end-of-life management responsibilities for specific product categories.

What you Need to Know:

- The battery category will be expanded to now include Small Sealed Lead Acid weighing less than 5 kgs sold.
- The battery category now identifies and restricts the following products sold with or in products including electronic cigarettes and personal care devices. In the case of these two product categories, we will review how these devices could be managed at end-of-life.
- The addition of a sub-category that now includes Electric Vehicle (EV) batteries. This will make Quebec the first jurisdiction in North America to impose such regulations on recycling EV batteries.
- Revision of recovery rates for all categories, including establishing recovery rates for the three sections noted above.
- Non-battery product categories will be subject to end-of-life management, including most agricultural plastics, obsolete pesticides, laboratory refrigeration equipment, pharmaceutical products and pressurized fuel containers.
- Other changes:
 - Transforming the current penalty system into a mandatory reinvestment into programs.
 - Inclusion of all online sales; the first importer will be obligated irrespective of domicile location.

Next Steps:

The proposed amendments to the regulation are complex. We will provide additional details and recommended consultation comments for our Members shortly in a separate communication.

In the meantime:

- The draft regulations can be found here ([FRE / EN](#)), and we encourage you to review them.
- Call2Recycle will be participating in the [consultation period](#), open until **November 26, 2021**. We encourage you to do so as well.

If you need more information or have any questions, please contact us.

Thank you for your continued support!

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