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Shri C K Mishra
Secretary
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change

Subject:- Requesting urgent clarity on finished electronic and consumer electronic products that includes batteries from being covered under the proposed Battery Waste Rules

Respected Sir,

Greetings from MAIT!

This bears reference to Draft of Battery Waste Management Rules released on 20th February 2020 in supersession of the Batteries (Management and Handling) Rules, 2001. We would like to bring to your kind notice that all of our members (i.e. electronics industry) are signatory to EPR framework which includes batteries

In this context, we wish to seek clarity from MoEF&CC on **non-inclusion of “finished electronics products that includes batteries as a consumable” in Draft Battery Waste Rules** as they are already covered under the E-Waste EPR framework.

A line in confirmation on the same will greatly help in understanding the compliance requirements by the electronics industry.

Looking forward to your early response.

With regards,

George Paul
Chief Executive Officer

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