

**DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES RECYCLING AND RECOVERY**

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**September 15, 2015****NOTICE****To: All Interested Parties****Subject: 2015 Processing Payments Adjustments**

Section 14575 of the Public Resources Code (PRC) requires the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) to establish a processing payment for any beverage container type that has a scrap value less than the cost of recycling. CalRecycle makes processing payments to processors. Processors pay recyclers the entire processing payment.

Pursuant to PRC Section 14575, the calculation of the 2015 processing payments is based on the difference between the scrap values offered to recyclers and the sum of the actual costs of recycling for certified recycling centers, excluding centers receiving handling fees, plus a reasonable financial return.

**PROCESSING PAYMENT ADJUSTMENTS:** PRC §14575(f) gives CalRecycle the discretion to adjust the processing payment not more than every three months if CalRecycle has determined that the average scrap value for a specific beverage container material type for the most recent available twelve-month period directly preceding the quarter the processing payment is calculated is five percent more or less than the statewide average scrap value used as the basis for the processing payment currently in effect; and that adjusting the processing payment is necessary to further the objectives of the beverage container recycling program.

As the change in scrap values as described for Glass, #1 PET and #2 HDPE are greater than five percent, CalRecycle has concluded it is appropriate to adjust the processing payments at this time.

Processing payments for bimetals and plastics #3 - #7 are not being adjusted as the scrap values for these container material types are highly volatile and based on small volumes. The changes in scrap values and adjusted processing payments for Glass, #1 PET and #2 HDPE, effective October 1, 2015, are shown on the table on the next page.

Scrap values are based on the average scrap values paid to recyclers for the period between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2015.



The processing payments shown below become effective October 1, 2015.

<b>Change in Scrap Value Per Ton and Adjusted Processing Payments</b>			
Material Types	Glass	#1 PET	#2 HDPE
Scrap Value Per Ton (Basis of Current Processing Payments)	\$1.03	\$348.17	\$425.17
Scrap Value Per Ton (July 2014 – June 2015)	\$0.34	\$314.10	\$388.17
<b>Percent Change</b>	<b>-66.99%</b>	<b>-9.79%</b>	<b>-8.70%</b>
Current Processing Payment/Ton (Effective 7/1/15)	\$97.12	\$116.03	\$225.32
Adjusted Processing Payment/Ton (Effective 10/1/15)	\$98.30	\$177.40	\$262.32
Current Processing Payment/Pound Redeemed (Effective 4/1/15)	\$0.04881	\$0.07167	\$0.11266
<b>Adjusted Processing Payment/Pound Redeemed (To be used on DR6, Effective 10/1/15)</b>	<b>\$0.04915</b>	<b>\$0.08870</b>	<b>\$0.13116</b>
<b>% Change to Processing Payment/Pound Redeemed</b>	<b>0.70%</b>	<b>23.76%</b>	<b>16.42%</b>

Based on the current adjustment to the Glass, #1 PET and #2 HDPE processing payment, CalRecycle would expend an estimated additional \$1,704,819.

<b>Estimated Processing Payment for Remaining Three Quarters</b>			
	Glass	#1 PET	#2 HDPE
Estimated Current PP Payout	\$63,387,633	\$21,909,209	\$3,865,608
Estimated Adjusted PP Payout	\$63,504,539	\$23,342,522	\$4,020,208
<b>Difference (For Remaining Quarter)</b>	<b>\$116,906</b>	<b>\$1,433,313</b>	<b>\$154,600</b>

Table 1, attached, shows the following detailed information for glass, plastic and bimetal beverage containers:

- The cost of recycling
- The scrap value paid to recyclers
- The processing payment (if any)

To review notices of changes impacting participants in the beverage container recycling program, please visit CalRecycle's Beverage Container Recycling Official Notices page at <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/BevContainer/Notices/> or call (916) 323-3836.

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For further information on the determination of processing payments, please contact Hieu Le, Market Information Section at (916) 323-5778.

If you have any questions concerning processing payment reporting requirements or completion of the DR-6, please contact the Technical Assistance and Review Unit at (916) 323-3008.

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Attachment

**Table I  
2015 Processing Payments  
Effective October 1, 2015  
Glass, Bimetal and Plastic**

	Glass	Plastic						Bimetal	
		PET	HDPE	Vinyl	LDPE	PP	PS		Other
Cost of Recycling per Ton with Reasonable Financial Return & COLA	\$98.64	\$491.50	\$650.49	\$1,023.25	\$1,459.76	\$1,309.59	\$811.18	\$888.77	\$819.76
Scrap Value per Ton	\$0.34	\$314.10	\$388.17	\$50.95	\$62.02	\$11.12	\$76.55	\$36.16	\$142.35
<b>Processing Payments to Recyclers</b>									
Processing Payment Per Ton Redeemed	\$98.30	\$177.40	\$262.32	\$972.30	\$1,397.74	\$1,298.47	\$734.63	\$852.61	\$677.41
<b>Processing Payment Per Pound Redeemed (To be used on DR-6)</b>	<b>\$0.04915</b>	<b>\$0.08870</b>	<b>\$0.13116</b>	<b>\$0.48615</b>	<b>\$0.69887</b>	<b>\$0.64924</b>	<b>\$0.36732</b>	<b>\$0.42631</b>	<b>\$0.33871</b>