




RECYCLING INDUSTRY OPERATING STANDARD SCORECARD

The electronics recycling standard...	R2	BAN'S STANDARD E-STEWARDS®	
Is supported and was co-developed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.	✓		✓*
Assures clients that recyclers comply with all relevant and applicable environmental and health and safety requirements, including the Basel Convention.	✓	✓	✓
Provides independent third-party certification through companies accredited by the ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board ("ANAB").	✓	✓	✓
Gives companies one management system that combines key operational and continual improvement elements of ISO 9001 for Quality, ISO 14001 for Environment and OHSAS 18001 for Occupational Health and Safety performance.			✓
Assures clients that all practicable steps are taken to reuse properly functioning equipment within a hierarchy of responsible management strategies.	✓		✓
Requires downstream tracking of vendors to certify that all focus materials** are processed safely and environmentally.	✓		✓
Promotes global economic development and the adoption of environmentally responsible and safe practices worldwide by supporting sustainable trade among high quality recycling facilities.	✓		✓
Discriminates against responsible recyclers on the basis of their country's economic and social status.		✓	
Assures clients that auditing requirements will not be unilaterally changed to make sure that certain companies can pass an audit, thus assuring that the same high level standards are applied to all certified companies.	✓		✓
Requires recyclers to pay exorbitant annual licensing fees based on a recycler's gross revenue.		✓	
Requires electronics recyclers to submit extensive proprietary business data to a third party, without effective controls on its use or dissemination.		✓	
Defines recyclables as hazardous wastes and suggests that recyclers should be permitted and treated as hazardous waste treatment, storage and disposal facilities (TSDF).		✓	
Allows un-certified recyclers to use the standard's brand, implying certification, causing confusion in the marketplace and devaluing legitimate certification.		✓	
Requires business enterprises who support the standard to pay a fee and limits their freedom to contract with responsible recyclers of their choice.		✓	
Provides the trademarked designation of CERTIFIED ELECTRONICS RECYCLER®.			✓

* As it pertains to R2.

**All items containing polychlorinated biphenyls, items containing mercury, cathode ray tubes and cathode ray tube glass, batteries, and whole and shredded circuit boards with batteries, lead solder or mercury.