

Fuel Cylinder

Extended Producer Responsibility



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The Problem

- **Difficult to manage and recycle** – Must de-valve or puncture a hole before discarding into scrap metal
- **Few Outlets** – Nearly all scrap yards don't want them, pose to high risk and danger.
- **Dangerous** - Often are hidden in the recycling stream and are an extreme danger to Material Recovery Facilities where they can explode.
- **Litter** – Thousands of cylinders are left behind in parks every year (estimated 10,000 in Connecticut State Parks)
- **Costly** – They are a cost burden on municipalities and the state.



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Explosion inside a
Connecticut
Material Recovery Facility

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The Solution - Extended Producer Responsibility

- Producers share the responsibility and burden of end-of-life management
- Stewardship Program formed like Paintcare and Bye-Bye Mattress
- Design for the environment
- Performance targets
- Collection convenience standards
- Outreach and Education



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The next steps – Join the effort to form EPR for
Cylinders



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