



# Senator the Hon Don Farrell

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### **SECOND APPROVED ARRANGEMENT ANNOUNCED FOR NATIONAL TELEVISION AND COMPUTER RECYCLING SCHEME**

Parliamentary Secretary for Sustainability and Urban Water Senator Don Farrell today announced the Australia and New Zealand Recycling Platform (ANZRP) as the second organisation able to deliver services under the National Television and Computer Recycling Scheme.

“The Scheme will provide Australian households and small businesses with access to free collection and recycling services for televisions, computers, printers and computer products – boosting the recycling rates for those products and providing a long-term solution to television and computer waste,” Senator Farrell said.

“As the administrator of an approved co-regulatory arrangement ANZRP is able to sign up television and computer manufacturers and importers, and collect and recycle products on their behalf.

“ANZRP’s approval follows that of DHL Supply Chain, which was announced on 6 March.”

A variety of providers is an important part of the National Television and Computer Recycling Scheme’s design, as it will provide a choice for television and computer manufacturers and importers on who they join. Having multiple providers in the marketplace is also expected to lead to more options for the community in how they dispose of their unwanted televisions and computers.

Further announcements of successful applicants are expected shortly. Collections under the new scheme are on track to commence in mid 2012, with access to services expanding across Australia by the end of 2013.

Senator Farrell said that the approval of ANZRP is significant, as it brings a wealth of relevant industry experience and knowledge of the scheme.

“It is great news that ANZRP is involved with the scheme as the administrator of an approved arrangement,” he said.

“As a not for profit company set up solely to deliver on the outcomes of the scheme, ANZRP has strong links with industry, particularly the Australian Information Industry Association, whose members have made a big contribution to the development of the scheme.

“With the continued support of the Australian Information Industry Association, ANZRP is well placed to play an important role in improving the national recycling rate for televisions and computers.”

As an approved co-regulatory arrangement, ANZRP is required to achieve annual targets for recycling computers and televisions, starting with a 30 per cent recycling rate in 2012-13 and rising to 80 per cent in 2020-21; roll out reasonable access to free collection services across Australia by December 2013; and ensure that appropriate occupational health and safety and environmental practices are in place.

The National Television and Computer Recycling Scheme is industry funded and run, but regulated by the Australian Government under the landmark *Product Stewardship Act 2011*.