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CERTIFICATE OF E-STEWARD STATUS

July 24, 2009

This is to acknowledge that Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation (RBRC) completed the process of being qualified by the Basel Action Network as an e-Steward on July 23, 2009. Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation has signed the Electronics Recycler's Pledge of True Stewardship, and agrees to uphold the following as a pledge of true stewardship of electronic wastes:

- I. We will not allow any hazardous e-waste we handle or control to be sent to solid waste (nonhazardous waste) landfills or incinerators for disposal or energy recovery, either directly or through intermediaries.
- II. Consistent with decisions of the international Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal, we will not allow the export of hazardous e-waste we handle or control to be exported from developed to developing countries, either directly or through intermediaries, throughout final disposition.
- III. We will not allow any e-waste we handle to be sent to prisons for recycling either directly or
- IV. through intermediaries.
We assure that we have an "environmental management system" in place that is either certified or otherwise adequate for the nature and size of the company's operations, and that our operation meets best practices.
- V. We commit to ensuring that the entire recycling chain, including downstream intermediaries and recovery operations such as smelters, are meeting all applicable environmental and health regulations. Every effort will be made to only make use of those facilities (e.g. smelters), which provide the most efficient and least polluting recovery services available globally. We agree to
- VI. provide visible tracking of hazardous e-waste throughout the product recycling chain. The tracking information should show the final disposition of all hazardous e-waste materials. If there is a concern about trade secrets, an independent auditor acceptable to parties concerned can be used to verify compliance with this pledge.
- VII. We agree to provide adequate assurance (e.g. bonds) to cover environmental and other costs of the closure of our facility, and additionally to provide liability insurance for accidents and incidents involving wastes under our control and ownership. Additionally we will ensure due diligence throughout the product chain.
- VIII. We further agree to support design for environment and toxics use reduction programs and/or legislation for electronic products.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jim Puckett'.

Jim Puckett
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