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## Attention Retailers

### New RoHS regulation does not affect Ewaste fee

All covered electronic devices remain subject to recycling fee

State law limits the amount of certain heavy metals allowed in covered electronic devices (CEDs) sold in California. A new regulation adopted under that law, commonly referred to as the RoHS regulation, for "Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances," went into effect January 1, 2007.

#### Does the new regulation affect the Ewaste fee?

No. The new regulation *does not change* how you collect and pay the electronic waste recycling (Ewaste) fee. All CEDs you sell in California, even those that meet the new RoHS requirements, are subject to the Ewaste fee.

#### How does the RoHS regulation affect what I can sell?

You cannot legally sell CEDs in California that were manufactured on or after *January 1, 2007*, unless they meet the new RoHS standards. However, you may continue to sell any CEDs in your inventory that were manufactured prior to January 1, 2007.

To ensure that CEDs you sell comply with the RoHS restrictions, please check the manufacturers' documentation. You may also want to contact your suppliers to let them know you can sell only RoHS-compliant CEDs in California.

#### Why are RoHS-compliant CEDs subject to the Ewaste fee?

Even RoHS-compliant CEDs contain some hazardous materials, so they cannot be disposed of in a regular landfill. They must be recycled or properly disposed of to protect the environment.

#### Where do I get more information?

For more information about RoHS or CEDs, please visit the DTSC website, [www.dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/Ewaste/](http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/Ewaste/). For more information on the Ewaste fee, you may visit our website, [www.boe.ca.gov/sptaxprog/ewaste.htm](http://www.boe.ca.gov/sptaxprog/ewaste.htm), or call us at 916-341-6906.

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