



*Rochelle Municipal Utilities*  
Water/Water Reclamation

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Re: Procedure for Electronic Pickup

Beginning January 1, 2012, certain electronic items known as "Covered Electronic Devices" (CEDs) are banned from disposal in landfills under Illinois law. In response to the ban, the Public Works Committee met on February 21, 2012 to discuss the possibility of collection and recycling options for residents. Three options were discussed, and the Committee recommended a pilot project for curbside pickup of large CEDs.

Rochelle Disposal Services (RDSI) has agreed to perform the curbside CED pickup at the same time and for the same rate as the existing appliance pickup program. The appliance pickup program has been in existence since 1995. Under that program, RDSI currently charges the City \$5.14 for each appliance it picks up, but no charge is made to the residential customer. Appliance pickup is one Saturday per month and customers must contact RMU to schedule the pickup and obtain a sticker to be placed on the appliance.

Before a similar program can be instituted for CEDs, the following actions must be completed:

1. The City must obtain a permit/license from the IEPA designating the City as a collection site. The actual site would be at the wastewater treatment plant. There is no cost for this permit/license.
2. The City will notify RDSI that the City is permitted and ready to proceed as a collection site.
3. RDSI will provide the City with bins for the collection of CEDs. (The bins are provided by Behr, an Illinois permitted electronics recycler.)
4. The City will announce to citizens that there is an electronics recycling collection site in town, that curbside collection is available for certain types of large CEDs, and that smaller CEDs may be brought to the collection site. We will also announce hours that the collection site will be open. Additional collection sites for smaller CEDs may be added later.

Terms and conditions for collection (Electronics and Appliances):

1. A Rochelle residential customer must contact RMU Customer Service in person or via e-mail that they have an item for pickup.
2. RMU Customer Service will issue a sticker for the customer to attach to the appliance or large CED, and schedule the pickup with RDSI. Stickers will be issued to customers at RMU or by email.
3. RDSI will pick up the stickered CEDs at curbside and deliver them to the Rochelle collection site and Rochelle personnel will put the items in the appropriate bins. Smaller CEDs brought to the collection site by customers will be placed in the same bins.
4. When the bins are full, RDSI will deliver the CEDs to Behr for recycling.
5. RDSI will bill the City for electronics pickup at the same rate as they bill for appliance pickup. As of May 1, 2011, the rate was \$5.14 for each appliance collected. Customers will not be charged.
6. RDSI will bill the City a flat amount (yet to be negotiated) for delivery of the bins to the Behr Recycling facility in Rockford. Any payment received for the recycled material will go to the City Landfill Fund.
7. Electronic recycling is a pilot program and either party may halt service 60 days after giving notice to the other party.
8. The appliance pickup program will remain in effect. RDSI will charge the City at an established rate.
9. The City Council will need to identify which types of large CEDs will be eligible for curbside pickup, from the following list:

ELECTRONIC WASTE BANNED FROM LANDFILLS

HIGH GRADE

Computer towers  
Laptop computers  
Tablet computers  
Cell Phones  
Small scale servers  
Satellite receivers

LOW GRADE

Televisions  
Monitors  
Printers  
Electronic keyboards  
Fax machines  
VCR's  
Portable DVD players  
Portable digital music players (iPods)  
Video game consoles  
Scanners  
Electronic mice  
Digital converter boxes  
Cable receivers  
DVD recorders