

## News Release

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### **Envirocycle Partners with Polymer Alliance Zone (PAZ) in West Virginia**

Envirocycle, Inc, one of the nations leading recyclers of obsolete electronics, is opening a new operation in the Polymer Technology Park (PTP) in Davisville, West Virginia. The facility should operational in July.

The PTP is operated by the Polymer Alliance Zone, and Envirocycle officials are excited about the partnership with PAZ.

“One of the main materials we reclaim through recycling electronics is plastic, and we are excited to be working with PAZ to develop our methods and explore processing options. It just seems like a natural step to ensure the most efficient use is made from the components we recover,” said Envirocycle COO Greg Voorhees.

The facility will also specialize in Asset Recovery, and will offer Secure Data Management and Data Destruction. Equipment that still holds some resale value will be rigorously tested and inspected, and repaired or refurbished. All information contained on hard drives processed through Asset Management will be wiped, all data rendered inaccessible, and if necessary the drives are physically destroyed.

“When you make an effort to dispose of your unwanted electronics in a responsible way”, he added, “you shouldn’t have to worry about the potential misuse of the information stored on your hard drives.”

Businesses and corporations could face liability problems if information they collect were to fall into the wrong hands. Asset recovery programs allow businesses to dispose of unwanted or excess equipment in a safe manner while possibly realizing a return on their investment from the sale of the equipment.

R. V Buddy Graham, President of the Polymer Alliance Zone said, “We have been watching Envirocycle grow over the past few years to become one of the leaders, if not the leader, in the recycling of end-of-life electronics. They are a perfect fit for our project and we are delighted to welcome them into our PAZ family.”

“This project is a great example of how the public and private sector can work together to provide good paying jobs and protect the environment. The Polymer Technology Park was funded through a \$4.3 million grant from the State of West Virginia and we are deeply appreciative of Congressman Mollohan and the States continued support,” Graham stated. West Virginia University’s Research Corporation, DN American and SDR-Technologies are also partners in the endeavor.

“We are very pleased to welcome a company of the caliber of Envirocycle. This technology recycling firm will be a welcome addition to the Polymer Technology Park in Davisville,” said Governor Joe Manchin.

“We are indeed fortunate to have Congressman Alan B. Mollohan’s continued support for the project. Congressman Mollohan has provided funding through grants from the Department of Energy and the US EPA;” stated Judy Sheppard, Chairman of the PAZ Board of Directors. The grants are administered by the National Energy Technology Laboratory through the West Virginia University Research Corporation.

“The PTP is starting to take shape and is growing by leaps and bounds. It has an excellent mix and quality of participants, concluded Ms. Sheppard.

The Polymer Technology Park now houses Envirocycle, SDR-Technologies, PWP Industries, the National Center for Electronic Recyclers as well as the offices for Polymer Alliance Zone.