Seattle Public Utilities

Memorandum

DR-01-03

To:

City Clerk.

From:

Chuck Clarke, Director Chwellank

Date:

March 17, 2003

Re:

DIRECTOR'S RULE 2003-01 REGARDING CATHODE RAY TUBES

In accordance with Seattle Municipal Code 3.02 stipulating adoption of Department Director's Rules and concerning disposal of municipal solid waste, I am establishing the following Director's Rule 2003-01. Notice and a copy of this proposed rule are being sent to your office and to the newspaper of record, in accordance with Seattle Municipal Code requirements which stipulate that Director's Rules must be filed with the City Clerk and published for public review and comment at least 14 days prior to their effective date in order to be considered final.

Seattle Public Utilities Solid Waste Director's Rule 2003-01:

Cathode ray tubes are not accepted in municipal solid waste, including any commercial or residential garbage can, container or receptacle, or at any transfer station. This prohibition does not apply to facilities where discarded electronics are collected for recycling (as defined in SMC 12.36).

Computer monitors containing cathode ray tubes have been found to fail the Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP), the regulatory test for designating materials regulated under the Dangerous Waste Rules set forth in the Washington Administrative Code, WAC 173-303. Any substance exhibiting any of the characteristics of Dangerous Waste is not allowed in municipal solid waste in Seattle (SMC 21.36.025, 026, 027, and 029).

The effective date for this rule is fourteen days after filing with the Seattle City Clerk.

cc: Nancy Ahern, Jenny Bagby, Tim Croll, Henry Friedman, Ray Hoffman, Mark Jaeger, Vickie Kobayashi, Dick Lilly, Chris Luboff, David Marshall, Sean McDonald, Jeff Neuner, Nick Pealy, Mara Rogers, HansVanDusen, Julia Veghte