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Cumberland County Electronics Recycling Center to Open July 11

Cumberland County, PA – After months of anticipation, the Cumberland County Electronics Recycling Center will open to the public at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, July 11th, following a brief ribbon cutting ceremony. The facility, located at 1001 Claremont Road in Middlesex Township, Carlisle, will be open to the public two days per week from 2 - 6 p.m. on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and the second and fourth Saturdays of the month from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Hours are subject to change depending on facility use.

The recycling center will accept televisions, computers and accessories, mobile devices, entertainment equipment, data center equipment and cable equipment. A small fee of \$0.50 per pound of electronics recycled will be charged to help offset the County's costs for collecting, packaging, loading, shipping and recycling the electronics. Cash and credit card payments will be accepted. Fees are subject to change as the County monitors the collection process. There is no residency requirement and the facility will accept materials from any location. For those planning on recycling an unusually large load, please call first so accommodations can be made. In order to best serve the public, please be aware the recycling center is under 24 hour video surveillance and anti-dumping regulations will be enforced.

The Cumberland County Commissioners made the decision to open the facility in response to citizens' calls concerning the need for electronics recycling options. Residents have become innocent victims of Pennsylvania's electronics recycling law, which has failed to provide the convenient, manufacturer funded electronics recycling opportunities many thought it would. Coupled with a disposal ban, the law has unintentionally left residents with very few options for disposing certain electronics, especially televisions.

After Request for Proposals from the County indicated recycling costs would not be paid by manufacturers, the County conducted a survey with residents, which indicated a willingness to pay to properly dispose of their electronics. These factors contributed to the Commissioners' approval earlier this year of the concept for a fee-based center and the necessary infrastructure improvements

needed to operate it. Those included the renovation of an old storage barn, installation of a portable office trailer and computerized scale system, as well as development of an operational plan.

While the County's electronics recycling facility provides a stopgap measure to address the electronics recycling issue, a comprehensive electronics legislative solution is needed. The Commissioners continue to work with legislators to identify shortfalls of the existing legislation and develop long-term sustainable electronics recycling solutions. For more information about the County's Electronics Recycling Center and the Pennsylvania Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act (Act 101), visit www.ccpa.net/recycling or call (717) 240-6489.

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