FINANCING
COST-EFFECTIVE RECYCLING OPERATIONS & FACILITIES

Rationale

Source-separated, recovered materials diverted from municipal solid waste (MSW) for which recycling markets exist should not be considered solid waste. Subjecting recycling operations and facilities to burdensome and unnecessary regulations and permitting requirements will prevent the timely development of recycling infrastructures.

Policy

The National Recycling Coalition recommends that recycling operations and facilities be regulated to the extent necessary to protect public health and the environment but not subjected to unnecessary regulations and permitting requirements governing solid waste.

All local, state and federal government regulations, permitting processes and interagency coordination should be streamlined to facilitate the timely establishment of collection programs, the construction and operation of new recycling facilities and the expansion of existing recycling facilities.

Cross-reference: Legislation and Regulation