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To: Department Heads, Select Board
From: Thomas Gregory, Executive Assistant
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Re: Town of Hudson Buy Recycled Policy Notification

We have all been doing a great job of collecting recyclables, but success does not end here. As public sector purchasers, we need to complete the recycling process by purchasing products made with recycled material.

Buying products made with recycled material is critical to our efforts. If we don't purchase recycled products, there is no economic motivation for manufacturers to use the raw materials that we do recycle. Additionally, the recycling industry is adding jobs daily and this significantly impacts the state's economy.

In the past, recycled products may have represented less quality and cost more, but tremendous advances from improved technology and increased demand have resulted in recycled products that are extremely cost competitive and high quality. Many products routinely purchased contain recycled content such as toilet tissue, paper towels, plastic trash bags and copy paper.

When recycled products are readily available at the same quality and price as non-recycled products, they shall be given preference for purchasing.

In the future when submitting procurement request forms, please indicate which, if any, materials are recycled in the event that you have determined that price, availability, and quality are equal.

Town of Hudson Buy Recycled Policy

In recognition of the need to make more efficient use of our natural resources, create markets for the material collected in recycling programs, reduce solid waste volume and disposal costs, and serve as a model for private and public institutions, the Town of Hudson is committed to purchasing products, which are environmentally preferable and/or made of recycled materials whenever such products meet quality requirements and are available at a reasonable price and terms.

Town of Hudson
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