



ELECTRONICS RECYCLING STANDARD CERTIFICATION: GROW YOUR BUSINESS, CLIENTELE AND SUPPORT

BECOMING CERTIFIED IS A CRITICAL WAY TO SET YOUR COMPANY APART FROM OTHER RECYCLERS.

Establish your company as meeting the highest standards in:

- Environmental worker health and safety
- Environmentally sound management practices
- Qualifying equipment for reuse
- Data security
- Legal compliance

STUDIES AND SURVEYS INDICATE MANY BENEFITS FOR BECOMING CERTIFIED, INCLUDING:

- More business
- Decreased insurance premiums
- Improved operational controls
- Greater worker safety
- Increased online visibility

THERE ARE THREE COMMON ELECTRONICS CERTIFICATION STANDARDS: E-STEWARDS®, R2 AND R2/RIOS™.

OPPORTUNITY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN BECOMING CERTIFIED

The Northeast Recycling Council (NERC) – a nonprofit organization committed to recycling market development – is offering **a unique program to electronics recyclers with facilities in Nebraska.** With funding from the Consumer Technology Association (CTA)™, NERC will be awarding grants to two companies for the cost of an audit by a qualified certification body. These grants will be awarded on a competitive basis.

FIVE KEY STEPS TO BECOMING CERTIFIED

- Learn about certification options and requirements to decide which program you are interested in pursuing.
- Conduct an analysis of your facility to determine if you are currently qualified or could become qualified.
- Many companies hire a consultant to help them through this process – both in determining what steps would be necessary as well as helping to implement them.
- Once you are “ready” to be certified, secure bids from at least three certification bodies for audit cost.
- Hire a certification body and undergo audit.

THE PREREQUISITES FOR GRANT QUALIFICATION:

1. Be a recycler of electronic equipment in a Nebraska facility.
2. Have successfully completed a consultation process with an expert consultant in the electronics recycling industry (such as Greeneye Partners, Perry Johnson, etc.) that has indicated that the facility is “ready” for a successful certification audit.
3. Have received the necessary licensing authorization from the certification program in question.
4. Have secured three bids from qualified certification bodies into a contract for the least expensive offer.

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