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\$36,000 Settlement Reached With Ruuhwa Dann & Associates, Inc. DBA Cal Micro Recycling

SACRAMENTO – The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) today announced it has reached a \$36,000 settlement with Ruuhwa Dann & Associates, Inc., operator of Cal Micro Recycling for allegedly violating hazardous waste laws at a facility it formerly operated in San Bernardino County.

Ruuhwa Dann & Associates collected and recycled old or unused cathode ray tubes and electronic devices at its former facility at 1541 Brooks Str. in Ontario. The waste is considered hazardous.

Under the terms of the Consent Order (CO), signed on June 27, 2014, Ruuhwa Dann & Associates will pay DTSC a total of \$36,000, of which \$20,842 is an administrative penalty, and \$15,158 is reimbursement of costs incurred by DTSC. Ruuhwa Dann & Associates corrected the violations.

The settlement stems from violations that a DTSC inspector observed during the May 9, 2013 inspection. The inspector noted:

- Failure to conduct hazardous waste treatment activities over, or in, a containment device to contain any hazardous substances that might be released to the environment.
- Failure to submit a closure plan, no later than 30 days prior to initially conducting treatment activities.
- Failure to maintain financial ability to respond in damages resulting from the operation of the facility.
- Failure to prepare and submit documentation demonstrating financial assurance for closure to fund the cost estimate for facility closure.



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FOR GENERAL INQUIRIES: Contact the Department of Toxic Substances Control by phone at (800) 728-6942 or visit www.dtsc.ca.gov. To report illegal handling, discharge, or disposal of hazardous waste, call the Waste Alert Hotline at (800) 698-6942.

The Mission of DTSC is to protect California's people and environment from harmful effects of toxic substances by restoring contaminated properties, identifying and promoting safer ingredients in consumer products, and ensuring stewardship through enforcement, regulation and pollution prevention.