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**ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY POLICY COMMITTEE
HIGHLIGHTS
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Ontario Convention Center

VII. Suggested League Policy on Extended Producer Responsibility

At the League's January 2008 Environmental Quality Policy Committee, the committee received presentations from two speakers on the issue of extended producer responsibility:

- Heidi Sanborn, Executive Director, California Product Stewardship Council
- Paul Abernathy, Executive Director, Association of Lighting and Mercury Recyclers

At the January meeting, the committee directed League staff to bring draft language back to the committee for approval at the April meeting. After discussion by the EQ policy committee during the April meeting, the committee voted to support the below language on extended producer responsibility. The new language, by design, is meant to be broad and to allow for changes in technology as they occur.

There was a motion to support the following language on Extended Producer Responsibility, to be added to the League's Summary of Existing Policy and Guiding Principles:

The League supports legislation implementing producer responsibility. This includes, but is not limited to, mandating or providing incentives including funding for comprehensive producer responsibility programs for hazardous and universal wastes and products and packaging for which disposal or recycling is problematic for local governments.

The motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the committee. Additionally, there was suggestion to have someone from waste board come and speak on the issue of EPR for pharmaceuticals at one of the upcoming meetings.