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Industry announcements for the week of Dec. 15



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From Resource Recycling

Aluminum packaging manufacturer **Ball Corp.** **acquired a majority stake** in European beverage can manufacturer **Benepack**.

Pennsylvania's **Centre County Recycling and Refuse Authority** awarded **more than \$22,000 in mini-grants** to provide funding for projects that improve recycling education and collection of source-separated materials the authority processes.

The **Massachusetts Extended Producer Responsibility Commission** **voted to recommend** further study of EPR for packaging.

ReMA **named** Paul Hartgen as senior vice president of growth, strategy and operations.

Resource Recycling, Inc., is **partnering** with **Goodwill of Central and Northern Arizona** and the **Secondary Materials and Recycled Textiles Association (SMART)**, with support from the **California Product Stewardship Council**, for the 2026 **Textile Recovery Summit** Feb. 23-25

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From Plastic Recycling Update

For the past year it had replaced 1 million pounds of virgin PE with PCR material.

The **EU Parliament** provisionally agreed to a 15% **recycled plastic mandate** for new vehicles within six years of implementation, which moves to 25% within 10 years.

The **French Senate** **voted to remove** a proposed tax on plastic packaging that is associated with national EPR law.

Polyolefins recycler **Plastic Recycling Inc.** received a \$200,000 **recycling market development grant** from the Indiana Department of Environmental Management.

EU's **RecyClass** **updated** its recyclability evaluation protocol for PET bottle labels and adhesives.

From E-Scrap News

Call2Recycle Canada and the city of **Lethbridge, Alberta**, collected more than 6,600 pounds of used batteries during the province's **first curbside household battery pickup** event, over 10 days in November.

The **Massachusetts Extended Producer Responsibility Commission** voted to recommend that state legislators **pursue an EPR law for electronics**.

Battery recycler **Redwood Materials** launched its lithium-ion **battery collection bins** in the San Francisco Bay Area and northern Nevada this week, and in November partnered with **Audi** dealerships in the US to provide **recycling drop-off** points for consumer devices and rechargeable household batteries.



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