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Tuesday, February 25, 2025
1:30 p.m. -- 1021 O Street, Room 2200

INFORMATIONAL HEARING

Extended Producer Responsibility in Action: Policy, Progress, and Pitfalls

AGENDA

Introductory Remarks: overview of the trajectory of EPR in California

- Zoe Heller – Director of the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle)
- Katie Butler – Director of the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC)

Panel One: EPR: what is EPR, and when is it the right policy choice?

- Nick Lapis – Californians Against Waste
- Thomas Helme - Valley Improvement Project
- Dawn Koepke – California Manufacturers Association

Panel Two: Establishing Measurable Goals: balancing certainty, flexibility, and timing

- Anja Brandon - Ocean Conservancy
- Christine Wolfe – Waste Management
- Rachel Wagoner – Circular Action Alliance

Panel Three: Evaluation and Enforcement: braiding descriptive and quantitative data and multilayer enforcement

- Mark de Bie - Deputy Director of the Division of Waste Permitting, Compliance, and Mitigation at CalRecycle
- Rachel Michelin – California Retailers Association
- Heidi Sanborn – National Stewardship Action Council

Public Comment