State of New Hampshire
By His Excellency
John H. Lynch, Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2012-1

An Order Directing State Agencies to Recycle Toner Cartridges and to Purchase Recycled, Remanufactured, or Recyclable Toner Cartridges

WHEREAS, each year tens of millions of used toner cartridges are needlessly discarded in landfills, wasting valuable resources and adding potential hazards to our environment; and

WHEREAS, used toner cartridges provide the State government with an opportunity to not only recycle its used toner cartridges but also to purchase recycled, remanufactured, or recyclable toner cartridges; and

WHEREAS, there is a potential 50 percent savings to State government by purchasing recycled, remanufactured, or recyclable toner cartridges; and

WHEREAS, State government should lead the effort to implement recycling and to stimulate recycling markets; and

WHEREAS, State government should maximize recycling programs and increased procurement of recycled products;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN H. LYNCH, GOVERNOR of the State of New Hampshire, by authority vested in me by Part II, Article 41 of the New Hampshire Constitution, do hereby direct all State agencies, effective immediately to recycle toner cartridges and to purchase recycled, remanufactured, or recyclable toner cartridges.

Specifically, on June 30th of each year, each State agency shall submit to the Director of the Division of Plant and Property Management, certification that the agency is complying with this executive order on a form supplied by the Division.

FURTHER, upon a showing by a State agency that compliance is not economically feasible, the Director of the Division of Plant and Property Management may exempt an agency's specific purchase from the requirements of this executive order.

Given under my hand and seal at the Executive Chamber in Concord, this 24th day of April in the year of Our Lord, two thousand and twelve.

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Governor of New Hampshire