

# TONER, LASER & INKJET CARTRIDGE RECYCLING PROGRAM

The University of Louisville Purchasing department has established a contract to provide the recycling of inkjet, toner, and laser cartridges. This contract is established to help our departments have a source for participating in a recycling program to help protect our environment.

The company we are under contract with is Clover Technologies (CES). Clover is the global leader in providing businesses with total environmental solutions, including the recycling and remanufacturing of imaging supplies. Clover is the world's largest collector and recycler of cell phones, inkjets and laser cartridges.

## **Department Procedures**

1. Contact the University Central Receiving/ Stockroom at 852-5890 to obtain a recycle collection container from Clover Technologies for your Departments/Buildings cartridge recycle needs.
2. Contact Central Receiving / Stockroom personnel when the collection container needs to be emptied. Pickup will be made as regular deliveries from Central Receiving are made in your area.
3. Used Cartridges are then stored until a sufficient number is obtained for return to Clover Technologies.

## **University of Louisville, Cartridge Contact Information.**

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| 1. Procurement Services | Lila McGruder | 852-8217 |
| 2. Central Receiving    | George Brown  | 852-5890 |

## **Environmental Commitment**

CES and the University of Louisville is steadfastly committed to conserving natural resources and protecting our environment. CES has dedicated substantial time and resources into developing best practices and have established environmental goals for the organization to ensure accountability and continuous improvement. Clover Environmental Solutions (CES) and the University of Louisville are committed to exceeding the expectations of our customers while preventing pollution and minimizing the environmental impact of our activities. Clover Environmental Solutions best practices include:

- Avoid landfilling with a goal of zero-landfill waste
- Prioritize remanufacturing, reclaim as much reusable material as possible through recycling

- End-of-life processing for all assets collected that cannot be remanufactured
- Industry's only grinding operation focused on the reclamation of raw materials from end-of-life laser toner cartridges
- Disassemble all products in North America
- Exceed global industry practices for responsible materials recycling and final disposition of electronics products.

## Compliance and Certifications

Through our contract with Clover Technologies we want to make sure our cartridges are properly handled. CES has key certifications and partnerships that demonstrate our ongoing commitment to quality and environmental responsibility. We work with these organizations on an ongoing basis to continually improve and evaluate our environmental and quality goals. By adhering to these best practices, CES has become the industry leader in the collections and recycling of cartridges, cell phones and small electronics.



### ISO 9001-Certified

ISO 9001 is a family of standards and guidelines for quality in the manufacturing and service industries from the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). ISO certification ensures that the processes that develop the product are documented and performed in a quality manner.



### ISO 14001-Certified

ISO 14001 is the international specification for an environmental management system (EMS). It specifies requirements for establishing an environmental policy, determining environmental aspects and impacts of products/activities/services, planning environmental objectives and measurable targets, implementation and operation of programs to meet objectives and targets, checking and corrective action and management review.



### Cradle to Cradle Approved

Cradle to Cradle provides a company with a means to tangibly and credibly measure achievement in environmentally-intelligent design. It also helps customers purchase and specify products that are pursuing a broader definition of quality.

This means using environmentally safe and healthy materials; design for material reutilization, such as recycling or composting;

the use of renewable energy and energy efficiency; efficient use of water, and maximum water quality associated with production; and instituting strategies for social responsibility.



### **3 Degrees Partner**

3 Degrees enables businesses and individuals to fund clean energy and carbon reduction projects. They do this by originating and providing Green-e Energy Certified Renewable Energy Certificates and third-party certified Verified Emission Reductions (aka, carbon offsets) from around the world to help their partners reduce their environmental footprint.



### **EPA Green Power Partner**

In buying green power, CES receives valuable recognition from the EPA for helping protect the environment. Green power can be one of the easiest and most effective ways to reduce the environmental impacts associated with your organization's conventional electricity use. By partnering with EPA, CES also receives technical support in identifying green power products that meet the internal goals of CES and the needs and environmental goals of your organization.



### **Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) - Certified**

The Sustainable Forestry Initiative® (SFI) program is based on the premise that responsible environmental behavior and sound business decisions can co-exist. SFI program participants practice sustainable forestry on all the lands they manage. They also influence millions of additional acres through the training of loggers and foresters in best management practices and landowner outreach programs. This unique commitment to sustainable forestry recognizes that all forest landowners, not just SFI program participants, play a critical role in ensuring the long-term health and sustainability of our forests.