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FINNISH CAR RECYCLING LTD CONFIRMS ITS POSITION Long-term co-operation agreement with Jylhä's Metal Scrap Ltd

Finnish Car Recycling Ltd confirms its position in the car recycling markets. Finnish Car Recycling Ltd and Jylhä's Metal Scrap Ltd have signed a long-term co-operation agreement. Finnish Car Recycling Ltd also has an agreement with Stena Metalli.

The long-term co-operation agreement with Jylhä's Metal Scrap Ltd extends the network of take-back points of Finnish Car Recycling Ltd especially in Ostrobothnia. There are a total of 96 take-back points, of which Stena Metalli has 75 and Jylhä's Metal Scrap Ltd has 21 authorized car dismantlers. Authorized take-back points can be found on the following Internet site: www.suomenautokierratys.fi.

Importers of used cars also have producer liability

Recycling of cars is based on producer liability. This means that the producer, in practice the manufacturer and /or importer of a vehicle, is responsible for organizing recycling and related costs.

Importers of both new and used cars have producer liability. A professional dealer, that imports vehicles on behalf of a domestic user, is also considered a manufacturer.

Finnish Car Recycling Ltd is a producer group established by importers which are members of the Association of Automobile Importers in Finland. It manages the obligation of recycling on behalf of importers. All manufacturers can join the producer group of Finnish Car Recycling Ltd and in this way fulfil their producer liability. At the moment, importers of used cars do not fulfil their producer liability as stated by the law.

Only one-fifth of end-of-life vehicles are recycled according to law – last owners of vehicles have the liability

Annually about 120 000–140 00 vehicles are scrapped in Finland. Only about 20 per cent of them are recycled through the official recycling system. The remaining 80 per cent or about 100 000 vehicles are recycled through car dismantlers and car breakers, which are not part of the official take-back system.

At official take-back points, vehicles are treated in an environmentally-friendly way and in accordance with the law. In addition, a certificate of destruction is issued at an official take-back points which ends the owner's liability for the vehicle and ensures that the vehicle is not used in traffic any more. The liability of the last owner is to deliver the vehicle to be recycled in an official take-back point, where the vehicle is accepted and deleted from register free of charge.

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Finnish Car Recycling Ltd operates as a so called producer group, which on behalf of the car importers coordinates the collection, treatment and recycling of end-of-life vehicles according to the requirements laid down in the EU Directive on End of Life Vehicles. Finnish Car Recycling Ltd is owned by The Association of Automobile Importers in Finland.

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