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Pandemic Alters Ink Recycling, New Service Helps Public Recycle Through Mail

Chatsworth, CA – Planet Green, a leader in U.S. remanufactured inkjet cartridges launches free mail-in ink cartridge recycling service. The new DoorStepInk Recycle service (www.doorstepinkrecycle.com) provides individuals with a free USPS mailing label to recycle their used inkjet cartridges from their home or office.

“Since the start of the pandemic, we saw a decrease in ink cartridge collections. Many recycling facilities we work with stop taking inks due to local restrictions. We recognized that with more people working from home during the pandemic there was no real easy solution for people to recycle their used ink cartridges,” states Sean Levi, owner of Planet Green.

According to The Energy Collective Group, more than 375 million empty cartridges are thrown out every year that is over a million cartridges a day that end up in landfills. For a print cartridge to fully decompose in a landfill site it can take up to 1000 years. These cartridges can leach toxins into the soil and ground water affecting agriculture, livestock, and wildlife.

Most people know it is bad for the environment to throw out their used ink cartridges, yet only 10% of cartridges sold are recycled. Sometimes people resort to throwing used inks into their blue recycle bins. Unfortunately, this can contaminate other recyclable materials.

“It’s crazy to see so many cities and counties with robust recycling programs, but nothing when it comes to ink recycling. Just about every American household has a printer. We want to help cities and counties divert unnecessary waste away from their landfills by offering the public a free mail-in ink recycling service,” says Levi.

To recycle your used ink cartridges through the DoorStepInk Recycle, place a minimum of 4 or more inkjet cartridges in any used box, visit www.DoorStepInkRecycle.com to request a free shipping USPS shipping label, and mail. Toner cartridges are not accepted as part of this mail-in program.

About Planet Green

Planet Green, established in 2000, is the world leader of high-quality, U.S. remanufactured inkjet cartridges. With 95% of replacement ink cartridges coming from overseas, Planet Green is one of the only remaining U.S. inkjet cartridges remanufacturers in the United States. The company is committed to protecting the environment and U.S. workforce by recycling millions of ink cartridges a year for reuse as an eco-friendly, printer cartridge option for the value conscious consumer. The company sells direct to consumers through its DoorStepInk brand. The company is privately owned and employs a diverse workforce of 60 people at its 30,000 square ft. state-of-the-art facility located in Chatsworth, California.

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