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### **New York and Connecticut HVAC Contractors Required to Recycle Mercury Thermostats**

*As of July 1, 2014 all mercury thermostats must be recycled*

**Alexandria, Va. (May 21, 2014)**— As of July 1, 2014, any person or contractor who replaces a mercury-containing thermostat in New York or Connecticut must deliver it to an appropriate collection site to be recycled. The bill also mandates that no HVAC wholesale distributor in NY or CT shall sell or distribute any thermostat unless the wholesaler participates as a collection site to recycle mercury thermostats.

The NY and CT collection programs are supported by 31 manufacturers participating in Thermostat Recycling Corporation (TRC). The new law requires all manufacturers of mercury thermostats sold in NY or CT to either individually or collectively participate in a collection program. TRC's program is the easiest and least-cost means of complying with state law.

To sign up as a collection site contact TRC toll-free at 1-888-266-0550. Visit [www.thermostat-recycle.org](http://www.thermostat-recycle.org) for more information about the program.

#### **About Thermostat Recycling Corporation**

*The Thermostat Recycling Corporation, founded in 1998, is an industry-funded non-profit corporation supported by 31 manufacturers who historically branded and sold mercury thermostats in the United States. TRC maintains a network of more than 3,600 collection sites nationwide and has recovered more than 1.4 million thermostats since its inception. TRC assumes all costs to transport and properly dispose of mercury switch thermostats recovered from service. Learn more about TRC by finding us on [Facebook](#), or following us on [Twitter](#).*

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