REQUEST FOR TECHNICAL CHANGE

AGENCY: Department of Environmental Quality

RULE CITATION: 15A NCAC 13B .1501

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT: Tuesday, February 9, 2021

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

Were the changes that were made to this Rule post-publication in the Register due to public comment?

In Item (1) and throughout this Rule, you refer to "recycling or resource recovery" but G.S. 130A-294(a)(3) refers to, "recycling, reduction or resource" recovery. Are you relying here upon G.S. 105-275(b), which refers to recycling and resource recovery?

In Items (3) and (4), lines 13 and 27, who determines what is "not necessary" here? And on lines 14 and 28, who determines the "primary purpose"?

On line 14, you have a semicolon after "occur"; on line 28, you have a comma after "occur" Should these be the same, since the language is so similar?

In Item (8), Page 2, line 23, why do you have a semicolon after "business"?

On line 24, I take it you mean for "recovered materials" to mean the term as defined in G.S. 130A-290?

In Item (11), Page 3, line 1, should "items" be "properties" instead?

In Item (13), line 11, since on line 10 you refer to "real or personal property" (singular), I believe "meet" should be "meets"

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

 15A NCAC 13B .1501 is readopted with changes as published in 35:09 NCR 928 as follows:

3	15A NCAC 13B	.1501 RESOURCE RECOVERING FACILITIES DEFINITIONS		
4	The definitions in	Article 9 of Chapter 130A of the General Statutes and the following definitions shall apply to the		
5	rules of this Section.			
6	(1)	"Applicant" means a person that submits an application to the Department to request tax certification		
7		for real property or personal property. The applicant shall be a business conducting a recycling or		
8		resource recovery process or shall be a person that owns real or personal property that is being used		
9		by or leased to a business conducting a recycling or resource recovery process.		
10	<u>(2)</u>	"County assessor" means the county assessor established by Article 16 of Chapter 105 of the		
11		General Statutes.		
12	(<u>3)[(2)]</u>	"Incidental or supportive equipment" means personal property that is used at any time for a purpose		
13		other than recycling or resource recovery; is not necessary for recycling or resource recovery to		
14		occur; or has a primary purpose that is not recycling or resource recovery. Incidental or supportive		
15		equipment includes personal property that is used at any time for administrative, safety, or		
16		maintenance services, even though it may be used in support of a recycling or resource recovery		
17		process, or that is used to provide comfort, safety, or convenience for employees such as:		
18		(a) spare parts:		
19		(b) office furniture or equipment:		
20		(c) employee personal protective or safety equipment;		
21		(d) kitchen or breakroom furniture, equipment, or appliances;		
22		(e) heating or air conditioning equipment for employee comfort;		
23		(f) fire alarms or fire suppression systems;		
24		(g) vehicles used to transport employees, new materials, or waste for disposal at any time; and		
25		(h) landfill gas vents or wells that are required by a permit issued by the Department.		
26	(<u>4)</u> [(3)]	"Incidental or supportive facilities" means real property or parts thereof that is used at any time for		
27		a purpose other than recycling or resource recovery; is not necessary for recycling or resource		
28		recovery to occur, or has a primary purpose that is not recycling or resource recovery. Incidental or		
29		supportive facilities include real property that is used at any time for administrative, safety, or		
30		maintenance services, even though it may be used in support of a recycling or resource recovery, or		
31		that is used to provide comfort, safety, or convenience for the employees such as:		
32		(a) office space:		
33		(b) conference rooms;		
34		(c) bathrooms;		
35		(d) kitchens:		
36		(e) employee breakrooms;		
37		(f) employee parking:		

1	(g) maintenance sheds;
2	(h) maintenance areas:
3	(i) stormwater basins; and
4	(j) unused areas.
5	[(4) "Manufacturing process" means a process by which goods are produced for sale or use from raw
6	materials or from new materials resulting from a recycling or resource recovery process, or a
7	combination of these materials.]
8	(5) "New material" means a material that has been chemically or mechanically changed through a
9	recycling process so that it can be introduced into a production process or can be marketed for sale
10	as a good. [was generated from a recycling or resource recovery process that can be used without
11	further processing in the same way as a raw material in a manufacturing process.]
12	(6) "Personal property" means equipment that is used by a business that is not permanently affixed to
13	real property.
14	(7) "Production process" means a process by which goods are produced for sale or use from raw
15	materials, or from new materials, or a combination of these materials.
16	(8)[(6)] "Production scrap" means excess or unusable material that is generated during a [manufacturing]
17	production process and is returned to be reused in the same production [manufacturing] process. An
18	example of production scrap is excess metal or cardboard or textiles from a sheet of metal or
19	cardboard or batting that remains after a portion of the sheet is cut, stamped, trimmed, or formed to
20	make a product, and the excess material is collected and returned to the process or equipment where
21	the original sheet or batting was created. Another example of production scrap is a material that
22	does not meet the quality standards or customer specifications for sale or use as determined by the
23	person or business; and are returned to the production [manufacturing] process. Production scrap
24	does not include excess materials that are combined with recovered materials and returned to be
25	reused in a recycling process.
26	(9)[(7)] "Qualifying property" means requested property that meets the standards set forth in Rule .1503(c)
27	or (d) of this Section to qualify for certification as a recycling or resource recovery facility or as
28	recycling or resource recovery equipment for the purpose of special tax classification or treatment
29	in accordance with G.S. 130A-294(a)(3) to be eligible for exclusion from the tax base as set forth
30	<u>in G.S. 105-275(8)(b).</u>
31	(10)[(8)] "Real property" means land and buildings, structures, improvements, or permanent fixtures on land,
32	or a portion thereof.
33	[(9) "Recycling" means the term defined in G.S. 130A-290. Recycling ends when a new material has
34	been created from the recovered material. The term does not include the subsequent manufacturing
35	process that utilizes the new material.]
36	(11)[(10)] "Requested property" means the real and personal property that have been included in an
37	application for tax certification submitted in accordance with Rule .1502 of this Section because the

1	applicant is requesting that the Department make a determination on whether these items qualify for		
2	exclusion from the property tax base.		
3	[(11) "Resource recovery" means the term defined in G.S. 130A-290. The term includes the transportation		
4	and storage of recyclable materials and recovered materials.]		
5	(12) "Spare parts" means parts of equipment that are purchased for future or speculative use, but that		
6	have not been installed in the equipment for which they were purchased.		
7	[(13) "Personal property" means equipment that is used by a business that is not permanently affixed to		
8	real property.]		
9	(13)[(14)] "Tax certification" means a certification issued by the Department of Environmental		
10	Quality certifying that the Department has determined that the real or personal property listed on		
11	the certification document meet the requirements of the rules of this Section to qualify for		
12	certification as a recycling or resource recovery facility or as recycling or resource recovery		
13	equipment for the purpose of special tax classifications or treatment in accordance with G.S. 130A-		
14	294(a)(3) to be eligible for exclusion from the tax base as set forth in G.S. 105-275(8)(b).		
15	[(15) "Tax collector" means the tax collector for the taxing unit] as defined in G.S. 105-273 for the		
16	requested property.]		
17	(a) A resource recovering facility is a building, or buildings, or parts thereof, and includes any equipment exclusively		
18	and integrally used therein for obtaining material or energy resources from solid waste. The facility also includes land		
19	occupied by the buildings and equipment.		
20	(b) Facilities used to collect, sort, or otherwise prepare solid waste for reuse or recycling are resource recovering		
21	facilities.		
22	(c) Incidental or supportive facilities and equipment as defined in .1506(a) of this Section do not qualify for special		
23	tax treatment as resource recovering facilities.		
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25	History Note: Authority G.S. 130A-294(a)(3);		
26	Eff. June 2, 1976;		
27	Readopted Eff. December 5, 1977;		
28	Amended Eff. December 6, 1991.<u>1991;</u>		
29	<u>Readopted Eff. March 1, 2021.</u>		

REQUEST FOR TECHNICAL CHANGE

AGENCY: Department of Environmental Quality

RULE CITATION: 15A NCAC 13B .1502

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The Rules Review Commission staff has completed its review of this Rule prior to the Commission's next meeting. The Commission has not yet reviewed this Rule and therefore there has not been a determination as to whether the Rule will be approved. You may call our office to inquire concerning the staff recommendation.

In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following technical changes be made:

Were the changes that were made to this Rule post-publication in the Register due to public comment?

What is the purpose of Paragraph (a)? It seems clear to me that the Department does not administer or have input into Article 3C of Chapter 105. Was there concern individuals would be confused by this?

In (c)(1), line 18, as well as (g), Page 3, line 1, please replace "e-mail" with "email" to be consistent with the term as used elsewhere in the Rule.

In (c)(6)(B), line 34, please insert a comma after "personal property"

In (c)(6)(G), Page 2, line 4, please hyphenate "off-site"

In (c)(8), line 17, what do you mean by "resolved" here? Will you regulated public know?

In (c)(10), so that I'm clear – the Department will request from the applicant the copy of a Department-issued permit?

In (e), lines 31-32, what is "feedstock"? And who determines whether a majority is accepted here?

In (h), Page 3, consider either making the language on lines 6-7 into a three-part list or two sentences. If you chose sentences, state "... return the application to the applicant, with a written statement of the reasons the application is not in compliance with this Rule. The Department shall also provide a copy ..."

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

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15A NCAC 13B .1502 is readopted with changes as published in 35:09 NCR 928 as follows:

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3	15A NCAC 13E	3.1502 RESOURCE RECOVERING EQUIPMENT APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS
4	(a) The rules of	this Section shall apply only to the qualification of personal property, such as equipment, or for real
5	property, such a	s areas within a building, land area, or portions thereof in accordance with G.S. 105-275(8)(b) and
6	<u>G.S. 130A-294(</u>	a)(3). Nothing in the rules of this Section shall interpret or establish requirements or qualifications
7	under Article 30	C of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes.
8	(b) The rules o	f this Section shall not apply to the certification of real and personal property that is required by a
9	permit issued by	y the Department's Division of Water Resources or the Division of Air Quality or the Division of
10	Energy, Mining,	and Land Resources for the purpose of pollution abatement.
11	(c)[(a)] An appl	icant for a tax certification for real and personal property used in recycling or resource recovery shall
12	submit one elect	ronic copy of an application to the Department. The applicant shall submit a copy of the application
13	to the <mark>[tax-collec</mark>	tor] county assessor in accordance with the requirements of the [tax collector.] county assessor. The
14	applicant shall p	rovide a copy of the application to the person responsible for management, operation, and maintenance
15	of the request	ed property. The application form may be obtained from the Department's website at
16	https://deq.nc.go	w/about/divisions/waste-management/solid-waste-section/tax-certification. An application for tax
17	certification shall	Il contain the following information:
18	<u>(1)</u>	the applicant name, address, phone number, and e-mail address;
19	(2)	the name, address, and phone number for the location of the requested property;
20	<u>(3)</u>	the name, phone number, and email address for the person responsible for management, operation,
21		and maintenance of the requested property;
22	<u>(4)</u>	the name, phone number, and email address of the person filling out the application;
23	<u>(5)</u>	a description of facility operations, including the following information:
24		(A) the types of business conducted at the facility location, such as manufacturing, retail, solid
25		waste management, recycling, or resource recovery;
26		(B) the type and source of recyclable material that is received at the facility for resource
27		recovery, or recovered material that is received at the facility for recycling;
28		(C) a description of the recycling or resource recovery process showing the steps involved the
29		process, which may be in the form of a flow chart or a narrative; and
30		(D) the intended destination of any solid waste, recovered material, or new material leaving the
31		facility:
32	(6)	the following information for each item of personal property for which certification is requested:
33		(A) name, make, and model number;
34		(B) a unique identification number that is affixed to the personal property such as a serial
35		number, vehicle identification number, or asset number;
36		(C) the cost or value at the time of acquisition;
37		(D) the year of acquisition, provided as the last two-digits of a four-digit year;

1		<u>(E)</u>	a description of how the personal property is used for recycling or resource recovery;
2		<u>(F)</u>	the percent of time the personal property is used for recycling or resource recovery; and
3		<u>(G)</u>	the vehicle registration or the invoice from the purchase of the personal property if the
4 personal property is a vehicle, tr			personal property is a vehicle, trailer, or container that will be in use off site at the time of
5			inspection by the Department. If an invoice is required to be submitted and the trailer or
6			container has no serial number that can be matched to the invoice, the invoice number from
7			the purchase of the trailer or container may be used as the unique identification number
8			required by Part (B) of this Subparagraph;
9	(7)	the foll	owing information for the real property for which certification is requested:
10		<u>(A)</u>	a facility drawing and aerial map outlining the recycling or resource recovery areas,
11			including the measurements of these areas;
12		<u>(B)</u>	a description of the real property, including the parcel number of the land and the requested
13			square footage of the facility space and the acreage of the land areas; and
14		<u>(C)</u>	a description of how the areas are used for recycling or resource recovery;
15	<u>(8)</u>	a copy	of any notice of violation issued by the Department for violations of G.S. 113A, 130A, or
16		<u>143, or</u>	r the rules adopted under G.S. 113A, 130A, or 143 that are under the authority of the
17		<u>Departi</u>	ment to administer or enforce, that have not been resolved at the time of application submittal;
18	(9)	if the re	eal or personal property is under a lease agreement, the contact information for the lessor and
19		lessee s	stated in the agreement, the expiration date of the lease agreement, and a copy of the executed
20		<u>lease a</u>	greement and amendments signed by the lessor and lessee; and
21	<u>(10)</u>	a list of	f permit numbers for permits issued by the Department, or a unit of local government under
22		<u>delegat</u>	ed authority by the Department, in accordance with G.S. 113A, 130A, and 143 and the rules
23		adopted	d under G.S. 113A, 130A, and 143. The Department may request a copy of the permit if it is
24		necessa	ary to determine compliance with the rules of this Section.
25	<u>(d)[(b)] The app</u>	olication	shall be signed by the applicant and the person receiving the benefit of the tax exemption.
26	[(c) The rules c	o <mark>f this Se</mark>	ction shall not apply to the certification of real and personal property that is required by a
27	permit issued by	<mark>/ the De</mark> j	partment's Division of Water Resources or the Division of Air Quality or the Division of
28	Energy, Mining,	and Lan	d Resources for the purpose of pollution abatement.]
29	(<u>e)[(d)] The De</u>	partment	's Division of Waste Management may return an application if the Department determines
30	<u>that the real or p</u>	ersonal p	property is required to be submitted in an application for pollution abatement property to the
31	Division of Wat	er Resou	rces because the real or personal property is located at a facility where the majority of the
32	feedstock accept	ed at the	facility is excluded from the definition of a solid waste pursuant to G.S. 130A-290(35).
33	(f)[(e)] Reques	ted prope	erty that is owned under a lease agreement shall be listed on a separate application from
34	requested proper	ty that is	not owned under a lease agreement. A separate application shall be required for each separate
35	lease agreement.	<u>unless t</u>	he lessor, lessee, and expiration date for the lease agreements are the same.
36	(g)[(f)] The Der	partment	may request additional information if it is necessary to determine compliance with the rules
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37 of this Section, G.S. 105-275(8)(b), or G.S. 130A-294(a)(3). If the Department requests additional information, the

1	Department sha	ll request the information in writing via e-mail at the e-mail address provided in the application in	
2	accordance with	Subparagraph (c)(4) [(a)(4)] of this Rule. The applicant shall provide the requested information within	
3	15 days of the re	equest.	
4	(h)[(g)] The De	epartment shall review the application to determine if the application complies with the requirements	
5	of this Rule. If the Department determines that the application does not comply with this Rule, the Department shall		
6	return the applic	cation to the applicant; and shall state in writing the reasons why the application is not in compliance	
7	with this Rule, a	and shall also provide a copy of this notice to the county assessor. [tax collector.]	
8	Resource recov	ering equipment is equipment exclusively and integrally used in the actual process of recovering	
9	material or ener	rgy resources from solid waste. To qualify, the equipment need not be specially designed for the	
10	resource recover	ry process.	
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12	History Note:	Authority G.S. 130A-294(a)(3);	
13		Eff. June 2, 1976;	
14		Readopted Eff. <u>March 1, 2021; D</u> ecember 5, 1977.	

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What is the purpose of Paragraph (a)? Is it to clarify the Department's limited role in this taxation arrangement?

In (c)(4), line 21, as well as (d)(5), Page 2, line 7, who determines "necessary" here?

In (d)(3), Page 2, line 2, I suggest you replace "shall comply" with "complies" to be consistent with the language in (c)(2), Page 1, line 16.

In (m), line 36, and elsewhere in the Rule, you refer to "applicant" you mean the person who submitted the application initially, as defined in Rule .1501(1)?

In (p), line 13, what is "equivalent" here?

In (p)(2), so that I'm clear – this will only apply to real property, not personal property?

In (q), line 24, please replace "... Paragraph (p) of this Rule, except Subparagraph (p)(4) of this Rule," with "... Subparagraphs (p)(1) through (p)(3) of this Rule,"

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1 15A NCAC 13B .1503 is readopted <u>with changes</u> as published in 35:09 NCR 928 as follows:

3 15A NCAC 13B .1503 RECYCLING FACILITIES STANDARDS FOR QUALIFICATION FOR TAX 4 CERTIFICATION

•	CERTIFICATION			
5	(a) This Rule establishes only qualification for tax certification by the Department. Nothing in this Rule shall establish			
6	or supersede requirements for tax exemption application established or enforced by the [tax collector.] county assessor.			
7	(b) When the Department receives an application for tax certification that complies with Rule .1502 of this Section,			
8	the Department	shall conduct an inspection, investigation, or verification of the requested property to confirm that it		
9	qualifies as a rec	cycling or resource recovery facility or as recycling or resource recovery equipment for the purpose		
10	of special tax cla	assifications or treatment in accordance with G.S. 130A-294(a)(3) and the requirements of this Rule.		
11	(c) Real propert	ty shall qualify as a recycling or resource recovery facility in accordance with G.S. 130A-294(a)(3) if		
12	the following co	nditions are met:		
13	(1)	the real property was included in the application for tax certification submitted to the Department in		
14		accordance with Rule .1502 of this Section;		
15	(2)	the person that will receive the benefit of exclusion from the property tax base for the real property		
16		complies with G.S. 113A, 130A, and 143 and the rules adopted under G.S. 113A, 130A, and 143		
17		that are under the authority of the Department to administer or enforce;		
18	(3)	the real property shall not be used at any time for a purpose other than the following:		
19		(A) recycling or resource recovery; or		
20		(B) transportation or storage for recycling or resource recovery;		
21	<u>(4)</u>	the real property shall be necessary for recycling or resource recovery to occur;		
21 22	<u>(4)</u> (5)	the real property shall be necessary for recycling or resource recovery to occur; the real property shall not be incidental or supportive facilities;		
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22	<u>(5)</u>	the real property shall not be incidental or supportive facilities;		
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22 23 24	<u>(5)</u>	the real property shall not be incidental or supportive facilities; the real property shall not be used for handling, storing, packaging, or transportation of new materials, production scrap, or solid waste intended for disposal; [handling or storing production		
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22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34	(5) (6) (7) (8) (d) Personal pr 294(a)(3) if the f (1)	the real property shall not be incidental or supportive facilities; the real property shall not be used for handling, storing, packaging, or transportation of new materials, production scrap, or solid waste intended for disposal; [handling or storing production scrap;] the buildings, structures, improvements, or permanent fixtures on land shall be constructed prior to the effective date of the tax certification; and the land itself shall not be located beneath any area of a building or structure that does not meet the requirements of Subparagraphs (1) through (7) of this Paragraph. coperty shall qualify as recycling or resource recovery equipment in accordance with G.S. 130A- following conditions are met: the personal property was included in the application for tax certification submitted to the Department in accordance with Rule .1502 of this Section; the unique identification number required to be included in the application in accordance with Rule		

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1	(3) the person that will receive the benefit of exclusion from the property tax base for the equipment
2	shall comply with G.S. 113A, 130A, and 143 and the rules adopted under G.S. 113A, 130A, and
3	143 that are under the authority of the Department to administer or enforce;
4	(4) the personal property shall not be used at any time for a purpose other than the following:
5	(A) recycling or resource recovery; or
6	(B) transportation or storage for recycling or resource recovery:
7	(5) the personal property shall be necessary for recycling or resource recovery to occur;
8	(6) the personal property shall not be incidental or supportive equipment;
9	(7) the personal property shall not be used for handling, storing, packaging, or transportation of new
10	materials, production scrap, or solid waste intended for disposal; [handling or storing production
11	serap;] and
12	(8) the personal property shall be installed prior to the effective date of the tax certification.
13	(e) If the Department determines that none of the requested property in an application qualifies for exclusion from
14	the property tax base in accordance with this Rule, the Department shall notify the applicant and the county assessor
15	[tax collector] of the reasons for this determination in writing.
16	(f) The tax certification shall be effective upon the date of signature by the Department.
17	(g) The tax certification shall list the qualifying property.
18	(h) The Department shall provide a copy of the tax certification to the applicant and to the office of the county
19	assessor. [tax collector.]
20	(i) The applicant shall be responsible for maintaining records of all tax certifications issued to the applicant.
21	(j) Unless an expiration date is provided on the tax certification, the tax certification shall remain valid until there is
22	a change in use, ownership, or lease agreement of the qualifying property.
23	(k) Tax certifications are not transferrable. If there is a change in ownership or lease agreement or if the facility
24	changes locations of qualifying property after the Department issues a tax certification, then the real or personal
25	property shall no longer qualify for exclusion from the property tax base. The new owner, lessor, or lessee of the real
26	or personal property that was previously listed on a tax certification may apply for a new tax certification in accordance
27	with Rule .1502 of this Section.
28	(1) If there is a change in the use of the qualifying property after the Department issues the tax certification, and the
29	new use does not comply with the requirements of Paragraphs (c) or (d) of this Rule, then the real or personal property
30	shall no longer qualify for exclusion from the property tax base.
31	(m) If the person receiving the benefit of exclusion from the property tax base ceases to be in compliance with G.S.
32	113A, 130A, or 143 or the rules adopted under G.S. 113A, 130A, or 143 that are under the authority of the Department
33	to administer or enforce after the Department issues the tax certification, the Department may determine that the real
34	or personal property no longer qualifies for exclusion from the property tax base and revoke the tax certification if the
35	person does not comply by the deadline for compliance required by the Department. If the Department revises or
36	revokes a tax certification, the Department shall notify the applicant, the person receiving the tax benefit, and the
37	county assessor's [tax collector's] office of the determination in writing. The applicant may submit a new application

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1	for tax certification in accordance with Rule .1502 of this Section when the person receiving the benefit complies with		
2	G.S. 113A, 130A, and 143 and the rules adopted under G.S. 113A, 130A, and 143 that are under the authority of the		
3	Department to administer or enforce.		
4	(n) The Department may revoke a tax certification if the Department discovers that false information was provided		
5	in the application for tax certification submitted in accordance with Rule .1502 of this Section. If the Department		
6	revokes a tax certification, the Department shall notify the applicant, the person receiving the tax benefit, and the		
7	county assessor's [tax collector's] office of the determination in writing.		
8	(o) The Department shall not be required to verify or confirm the cost or value of requested property that is provided		
9	by the applicant. The Department may include the cost of requested personal property provided by the applicant or		
10	the tax certification for ease of reference. Any change in cost or value shall not change the qualification status of the		
11	real or personal property.		
12	(p) Real or personal property that was listed on a tax certification issued prior to the readopted effective date of this		
13	Rule, and equivalent real or personal property purchased to replace such property within five years of the readopted		
14	effective date of this Rule, shall be deemed qualifying property for the purpose of this Section if the following		
15	conditions are met:		
16	(1) the use of the real or personal property has not changed;		
17	(2) the person that is receiving the benefit of exclusion from the property tax base for the real property		
18	complies with G.S. 113A, 130A, and 143 and the rules adopted under G.S. 113A, 130A, and 143		
19	that are under the authority of the Department to administer or enforce;		
20	(3) the real or personal property has not changed ownership since the tax certification was issued; and		
21	(4) any expiration date on the tax certification has not passed.		
22	(q) If an application meeting the requirements of Rule .1502 of this Section is submitted within five years of the		
23	readopted effective date of this Rule for requested property that was previously certified under a lease agreement, the		
24	requested property that meets the requirements of Paragraph (p) of this Rule, except Subparagraph (p)(4) of this Rule		
25	shall be deemed qualifying property for the purpose of this Section.		
26	(a) A recycling facility is a building, or buildings, or parts thereof, and includes any equipment exclusively and		
27	integrally used in a process by which recovered resources are transformed into new products in such a manner that the		
28	original materials lose their identity. Recovered resources are materials that have been recovered from solid waste		
29	The facility also includes the land occupied by the buildings and equipment.		
30	(b) Incidental or supportive facilities and equipment as defined in .1506(a) of this Section do not qualify for specia		
31	tax treatment as recycling facilities.		
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33	History Note: Authority G.S. 130A-294(a)(3);		
34	Eff. June 2, 1976;		
35	Readopted Eff. December 5, 1977;		
36	Amended Eff. December 6, 1991.<u>1991;</u>		
37	<u>Readopted Eff. March 1, 2021.</u>		

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     15A NCAC 13B .1504 - .1508 are repealed through readoption as published in 35:09 NCR 928 as follows:
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     15A NCAC 13B .1504
                           RECYCLING PROCESS
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     15A NCAC 13B .1505
                           RECYCLING EQUIPMENT
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                           INCIDENTAL OR SUPPORTIVE FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT
     15A NCAC 13B .1506
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     15A NCAC 13B .1507
                           OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT
7
                           APPLICATION FOR TAX CERTIFICATION
     15A NCAC 13B .1508
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     History Note:
                    Authority G.S. 130A-294(a)(3);
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                    Eff. June 2, 1976;
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                    Readopted Eff. December 5, 1977;
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                    Amended Eff. December 6, 1991; September 1, 1990; July 1, 1985;
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                    Repealed Eff. March 1, 2021.
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1	15A NCAC 13B .1510 is repealed as published in 35:09 NCR 928 as follows:		
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3	15A NCAC 13B	3.1510 SEVERABILITY	
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5	History Note:	Authority G.S. 130A-294(a)(3);	
6		Eff. June 2, 1976;	
7		Readopted Eff. December 5, 1977;	
8		Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9,	
9		2018. 2018;	
10		<u>Repealed Eff. March 1, 2021.</u>	

1	15A NCAC 13B .15121513 are repealed through readoption as published in 35:09 NCR 928 as follows:			
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3	15A NCAC 13B	.1512	FACILITIES FOR REDUCING HAZARDOUS WASTE GENERATED	
4	15A NCAC 13B	.1513	EQUIPMENT FOR REDUCING HAZARDOUS WASTE GENERATED	
5				
6	History Note:	Authoria	ty G.S. 130A-294(a)(3);	
7		Eff. Oct	ober 1, 1983;	
8		Amende	d Eff. December 6, 1991; September 1, 1990.<u></u> 1990;	
9		<u>Repeale</u>	<u>d Eff. March 1, 2021.</u>	

1 15A NCAC 13B .1514 is repealed through readoption as published in 35:09 NCR 928 as follows:

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3	15A NCAC 13B	.1514	APPEALS PROCEDURE
4 5	History Note:	Author	ity G.S. 130A-294(a)(3);
6		Eff. Fe	bruary 1, 1987;

7 Amended Eff. September 1, 1990. <u>1990;</u>

8 <u>Repealed Eff. March 1, 2021.</u>