

EPA's Responsible Appliance Disposal Program Honors PPL Electric Utilities

Utility's recycling program lauded for work in 2019

ALLENTOWN, Pa. (Oct. 29, 2020) -- PPL Electric Utilities' appliance recycling efforts in 2019 recently earned it high honors in the U.S. EPA's Responsible Appliance Disposal (RAD) Program.

PPL received a Champions Award for having one of the highest rates of insulation foam recovery in the RAD Program last year. Foam contains substances that are potent greenhouse gases that may, depending on the age of the unit, deplete the ozone layer.

"Our RAD partners have increased appliance recycling by employing best environmental practices, which reduces emissions, saves energy and builds strong partnerships in our communities," said Anne Austin, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator for EPA's Office of Air and Radiation. PPL was one of 14 companies across the country that received awards for outstanding program achievements in appliance recycling, according to the EPA.

Since joining the RAD program in 2017, PPL has recycled nearly 40,000 refrigerant-containing appliances, which in greenhouse gas terms is the equivalent of taking more than 61,000 vehicles off the road for a year. More than 138,000 appliances have been recycled since PPL started its appliance recycling program more than a decade ago.

"This honor reflects how much PPL and its customers believe in and support a cleaner, greener planet through appliance recycling," said Mary Ann Kelly-Merenda, program manager for PPL's residential energy efficiency programs. "We're proud to partner with our customers and other stakeholders."

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, PPL's appliance recycling program is currently suspended. However, customers can choose to be added to a waitlist and will be contacted once the program resumes. To be placed on the waitlist or for any questions, please contact customer service at 1-877-486-9204 between 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. To learn more about PPL's appliance recycling program, and keep current on any changes, visit ppllectric.com/recycle. To learn more about the federal government's RAD Program, visit: epa.gov/rad.

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