

Joint authority for dual systems:

System operators agree further optimisation of privately organised dual disposal of packaging waste - implementation of LAGA M 37 and monitoring of the volumes from brokers and commercial enterprises

New volume clearing contract of system operators implements the revised draft of LAGA Directive M 37 and regulates the monitoring of volume registrations from brokers and commercial enterprises / Further contribution of the system operators to optimising and securing privately organised near-household packaging disposal.

The dual system operators have supplemented their volume clearing contract in two important current issues yesterday:

With the new volume clearing contract, the system operators are, on the one hand, implementing the revised draft of Directive No. 37 of the German Federal Working Group on Waste (*Bund/Länder-Arbeitsgemeinschaft Abfall* or LAGA, M 37). LAGA M 37 puts in concrete terms, among other things, the duties of system participation, the requirements for sector solutions, the duties of filing a declaration of completeness and the requirements to keep volume flow records. In particular, LAGA M37 contains the statement that fixed-price volume discounts are not permitted.

Within the context of the signing of the new volume clearing contract, the system operators have now acknowledged the rulings of the LAGA M37 as being binding.

The new volume clearing contract also regulate the monitoring of volume registrations both from so-called brokers as well as also from commercial enterprises, who are active as commissioned third parties by industrial companies. The extension of the monitoring duty is intended to ensure that the standards which the system operators are subject to are implemented as effectively as possible and also observed by other important market participants. The new volume clearing contract, and therefore also the monitoring duty, first comes into effect in performance year 2016.

Dr Mirko Sickinger, CEO of the joint authority, emphasises that with the new volume clearing contract, the system operators are making a further contribution to the optimisation and safeguarding of privately organised close-to-home packaging disposal. The system operators and the joint authority are thereby proving their readiness for action to solve pending issues, assures Sickinger.

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