#### Fortune favours the bold Komāia, ko angitu June, 2025 - Christchurch





Recycling for our future

## Yes, we are here to talk about batteries

and yes, when recycled with Phoenix, they are being recycled into raw materials for new batteries or to be used in other applications

We are not going to show you an image of a fire...

Just tell you what we are doing about it



#### Why is Phoenix different from other NZ battery recyclers?

Compliance driven with specialist EPA permits

Nationwide : 19 : 100,000+sqm

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240 staff - we own our own fleet, 50 DG drivers (DG-9)

Data led; 5 Years voluntarily carbon emissions reporting Tracking emissions to deliver the circular economy locally and globally



## Our industry weighs everything

We never estimate our volumes; every product type is sorted 100's of metallic specifications are made for sustainable manufacturing

A new Phoenix record!

457,889

loads separately sorted and weighed for recycling in FY25

46,437

different organisations, businesses and individuals recycled with us in FY25



#### Why is Phoenix here?

We have been recycling batteries for a very long time

50+%

of New Zealand's recycled Lead Acid battery volume Averaging 40+ 20' containers per month

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## All Phoenix's sustainability data is independently audited

We have been voluntarily carbon reporting our sustainability journey for 5 years with Toitu Environcare since 2021

Delivering sustainability data reporting for our customers for climate related disclosures.

4 years in and we are achieving reductions in certain emission factor categories!





#### THE ONLY GREENWASHING YOU'LL CATCH US DOING





## FY24 Sustainability highlights

In our 5<sup>th</sup> year of verification within carbon reduction programme



#### **Advancing Local and Global Circularity**



#### **Protecting the Environment within NZ**



emissions

Category 1 (Fuel)



Category 2 (Energy) emissions 34%

ZERO

Category 4 (Waste) emissions decreased Electrifying

37%

increase in kWh

Empowering our People 3,176

hours of employee training

**Offshore Transportation** 

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33%

Category 3 (indirect transport emissions)

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# Are they your batteries or ours to manage?

Why are we blaming the waste industry for fires?

Why are we blaming the scrap metal industry for fires?

We as an industry have ended up with them, but we all buy them and use them everyday



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## Do you think they are imported labelled correctly?

Is it regulated?

How is NZ collecting data to determine size of our Hazardous Waste issue?



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# Can you tell the difference?

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STREET, S.M.

and yes, it matters

## How many types?

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is it changing all the time?



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## What are we going to do about it?

There has not been time to wait, fortune follows the bold.

Something needed to be done, so we did it.

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# How many types of batteries have you seen on these slides?

Our team knows!



Energizer













## **Big and small**

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LITHIUM ION BATTERY - 51.8V - 20Ah - 10.5kg HANDLING Never open, disassemble the battery pack or bepass any safety device

Do not crush, pierce, short (+) and (-) battery terminals with conductive (Le. metal) objects

Do not charge the battery sack above +45°C and below 0°C

he battery pack above +40°C or below +15°C

Do not expose the battery pack to open flame or fire

## The legacy has a long tail.....

Let's act now





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## They just keep on coming.....

We are all transitioning our energy sources





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## **Fortune favours the bold** Jasmine Faulkner

WASTEMINZ AWARDS FOR

## EXCELLENCE 2025

in the Waste & Resource Recovery Young Professional of the Year category

finalist

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The energy sector is propelling huge growth in the global battery market. Today, batteries are the fastest growing clean technology



#### **Global Lithium Battery demand**

Batteries are an essential part of the global energy system today and the fastest growing energy technology on the market

Despite the continuing use of lithium-ion batteries in billions of personal devices in the world, the energy sector now accounts for over 90% of annual lithium-ion battery demand



#### NZ's National Battery Recovery Data

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Phoenix has been building New Zealand's record of battery recycling recovery data for the last 4 years



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#### Phoenix's expanding volume, month on month: Inception April 2021

We track everything, every type

## A new record - 503,121 kgs recycled so far!

Lithium, Alkaline, Nickel Metal Hydride, Nickel Cadmium

WE'VE RECYCLED

**284,842 KG** ALKALINE BATTERIES WE'VE RECYCLED

42,816 KG NICKEL-CADMIUM BATTERIES WE'VE RECYCLED

**67,007 KG** NICKEL-METAL HYDRIDE BATTERIES WE'VE RECYCLED

108,456 KG LITHIUM BATTERIES





#### **Before Phoenix launched their solution**

Outside of our solution following global international best practice meeting Basel Convention for Hazardous Waste, we currently we know of others operating in:

an unregulated industry

Using open buckets, IBC's and drums, stored inappropriately

Uninsured or self insured

Collection units un -monitored, or only on 24 hour loop

Illegally, unmarked, un-monitored facilities





#### **Before Phoenix launched their solution**

The status quo was a completely unregulated market with bespoke unconnected services, with un-verified downstream recycling

> Finding large scale stockpiles and dumping of industrial/commercial batteries

> > Lithium batteries stored in garages and living rooms in residential areas

What should the public do if they see something suspicious? Contact your local FENZ Fire District Team and/or submit a <u>"Fire Hazard Assessment Report</u>"



## **Before Phoenix launched their solution**

Large scale dumping of household, industrial and commercial batteries

Completely unregulated market with bespoke unconnected services, un-verfiied downstream recycling





Hybrid packs delivered 17.10 by a customer. State is very poor, poses an electrocution threat potentially. Pieces of car panel and all



Description:





#### Permit to export hazardous waste

under clause 11 of the Imports and Exports (Restrictions) Prohibition Order (No 2) 2004

Permit Number:	EPA00900075589D	
Permit holder's legal name:	Phoenix Metal Recyclers NZ Limited	
Type of hazardous waste:	Mixed battery waste	
Destination:		
Importer:		
Processing Facility:		
Permit valid from	1 A ugust 2023	
Permit expires:	09 June 2026	
New Zealand Tracking number:	NZ012/23	
Metric tonnes:	1,500 metric tonnes	
Shipments:	Single Single	
Copies:	Copies of this permit will be accepted by New Zealand Customs.	

#### Consent to export:

A permit to export hazardous waste as set out above is hereby granted to the permit holder under clause 11 of the Imports and Exports (Restrictions) Prohibition Order (No 2) 2004, based on the information set out in the permit application and the declaration provided to the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) by the permit holder on 14 March 2023, and any additional information provided to the EPA by the permit holder, and in accordance with the conditions set out below and any conditions on consent set by

Delegated Authority:	Miriam Robertson, Manager, New Organisms Applications, Hazar Substances and New Organisms	
Signature:		
Date:	01/08/2023	

#### Verified Downstream - What a permit looks like

To legally recycle other waste batteries within NZ law you must have a specific permit

We hold multiple international permits to export hazardous waste, which have been verified with the Environmental Protection Authority NZ, in accordance with the Basel Convention

These permits validate every step of the supply chain to deliver the batteries for recycling

If you haven't sighted one of these specifically made out to the organization you or their partner are contracted to; then your battery recycling collection partner is not likely verified to receive batteries for recycling.

New Basel Convention regulations in effect Jan 1 2025 on E-Waste



#### Responsible Recycling Phoenix has end-to-end insurance cover for our entire local supply chain to global recycling partner

**Public & Products Liability** 

**Contractor's Pollution Liability** 

**MV** Insurance

Marine Cargo Insurance

Asset Replacement/ Protection Insurance

Currently cost to insure borne by Phoenix rather than the consumer or the manufacturer

Why is Product Stewardship not a priority?



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## So where are they going if they don't pass through Phoenix's solution?

Where are they going?

Dumped?

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Stored?

Traded in a un-regulated market?

Shipped mis-declared?

## **ALL OF THE ABOVE**





PHOENIX **PHOENIX FLEET** PHOENIX RECYCLING GROUP **PHOENIX SORTING, PACKAGING SERVICES Protection Authority** Te Mana Rauhī Taiao **TO GLOBAL RECYCLING PARTNERS UNDER EPA** 

> PHOENIX RECYCLING GROUP

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Phoenix's

Battery Recycling

End-to-end

to Recyclers gate

solution

#### **2025 - PHOENIX BATTERY RECYCLING PROCESS DIAGRAM**



#### Nationwide ratepayers are contributing

240+ locations collecting

100+ organisations contributing responsibly

30+ Councils now involved in our solution

over 100 public facing locations can be found on our map, to make it easy for the public to recycle batteries

our map can be found at: https://www.phoenixrecycling.co.nz /battery-recycling-locations



#### We are the trusted NZ battery recycler >>>>



## What is in Phoenix's Smart\_BIN?

Over 30 Councils are now recycling batteries with us; many are using Smart Bins

These bins are 'Smart' because they contain:

IOT: API integration , talks directly to the alarm monitoring

Heat sensors installed in every unit, samples are taken every minute, with data uploaded every hour

Fire suppression installed in every unit

UN certified fire resistant hardware within each unit

A system that can be installed inside to mitigate the many risks of recycling batteries and also manage unit damage, theft and security





#### UN certified - Global best practice solution for NZ

We are not here to re-invent the wheel, but provide a practical best practice solution

UN certified fire resistant liners, within a DG rated carton



#### New Smart\_BINS heading out to Councils under our Council special

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Want to know more?

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Come see us at Booth #4 in Exhibition Hall 3 on the ground floor

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#### **Council Leaderboard**

FY25 Top 20

We have over 30 Councils working with us

If you are a Council and not working with us; please ensure your downstream battery partner is Permit verified

Otherwise batteries are being managed safely or potentialy legally

This is a resource, a commodity, that bears a cost to recover. If recovered; we can reduce risk, fires and contamination of this emerging hazardous resource stream



Palmerston North CC	3,554
Waimakariri DC	3,352
Hastings DC	3,225
Timaru DC - Enviro NZ	2,726
Queenstown Lakes DC	2,141
Invercargill City Council	1,671
Napier CC	1,583
Taupo DC	1,461
New Plymouth DC	1,427
Gisborne DC	873
Whanganui DC	816
South Taranaki DC	718
Hurunui DC	687
Matamata-Piako DC	603
Whakatane DC	466
Western Bay of Plenty	457
Tararua DC	231
Rotorua Lakes Council	172

Christchurch CC

Selwyn DC

4,248

#### **FY25 TOTAL** 48,486 kilos!

15,677

#### Celebrating amazing work

## 15,677 kgs!

FY25 award - Christchurch City Council are an amazing example of what a "Great Scheme" looks like when the public are provided a practical means to recycle their

batteries safely





Christchurch City Council



**Celebrating enthusiasm** 

## FY25 - 4,248 kgs diverted!

Selwyn District Council

4 Sites in Total

Hosts a DCU at NewWorld Lincoln

Hosts a DCU at NewWorld Rolleston

Hosts a DCU in Darfield Library

Customised Smart\_BINs







Recycle your batteries

here

## Phase 1

#### Onshore:

- Establish supply chain volume through contracts
- Site network
- Collection service
- DG transportation
- Hand sorting

#### **Offshore:**

- Insured marine cargo transportation
- Specialist EPA waste battery permits to global recycleing Partners
- All chemistries, all weights/sizes




#### Lithium

Nickel Cadmium



Nickel Metal Hydride

Alkaline

### Challenges in the <5kg sizes

They look the same

Sorted manually to ensure no lithium contaminates a load, we have a 0.0225% accuracy rate

Can't risk missing 1 lithium battery making it through into the wrong pile

They are manually sorted again by our global recycling partners





ESCRP

### >>> What if your battery is large and weighs over 5kg?

We can recycle them!!

SOC - Why it is important

DG rated Stillages available

Transportation

Packaging

DG rated drivers



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### Global Product Stewardship returning Big Auto EV and Hybrid batteries to global car manufacturer

Toyota is leading the way trialing for the world with Aotearoa NZ as their first test market; Phoenix as the collaborating partner

Will disrupt unregulated secondary battery refurbishment market

De-risks ensures Warranty, IP, Insurance of product is kept with Manufacturer and is fit for purpose of it's original manufactured use







# Big Auto EV battery stockpiles

What do we do with large damaged and charged batteries?

Working with education provider to write first to market EOL systems for dismantling of large EV and energy storage batteries

The cost to recycle vs landfill vs stockpiling = risk fires

200-400+kg = challenging handling

The difference between an auto-wrecker and a scrap metal recycler





### Collaboration with the Waste Industry

Waste vs Recoverable Resource

Collaboration with the Waste Industry and responsible Waste Management providers has been KEY to ensuring diversion at scale for recoverable resources ex NZ

# TOTAL DIVERTED FOR FY25

# 38,247 kilos!



# Phase 2

Continuous large volume feed stock via contracted supply

### Continuously assessing:

- tipping point for investment in onshore processing of Lithium Ion and LiFePO4 chemistries to (pre-processing or black mass) - inert
- This will remove Landfill requirement for encapsulating Damaged Lithium Ion / LiFePO4
- Sub-categories of chemistries evolving so fast
- Technological advancement of recycling facilities





Risk / Site Assessments



Group member since 2018



Li-on WasteMINZ Group member

### Collaborating with Key Stakeholders



Carbon emissions reporting for the circular economy



HANGA-ARO-RAU Manufacturing, Engineering and Logistics Workforce Development Council

Resource Recovery Advisory Group Member Resource Recovery Qualifications



### Our relationship with Fire Emergency New Zealand (FENZ)

Our Collaboration with FENZ is <u>key</u> in our endeavors to provide this service to NZ

Transfer Stations, Recycling yards, high risk facilities - work with your local FENZ District!

Request site and risk assessments

Review Emergency response and Evacuation procedures

What can you do if they see something suspicious? Submit a Fire Hazard Assessment Request OR Contact your Local FENZ District Team





NEW ZEALAND

### Phoenix Recycling's where to recycle your batteries map

Responsible battery recycling, at over 100 public facing locations, https://www.phoenixrecycling.co.nz/ battery-recycling-locations

Phoenix's collection partner network is the only NZ map of public drop-off locations with verified battery recycling downstreams

The batteries you drop off to recycle are collected and recycled with Phoenix's multiple international permits to export hazardous waste, which have been verified with the Environmental Protection Authority NZ, in accordance with the International Basel Convention

This recycling solution also strictly adheres to NZ's laws and regulations. We recycle all battery types



#### ng.co.nz/battery-recycling-sites

#### **BATTERY RECYCLING SITES**

Phoenix has partnered with these sites nationwide, providing collection units for your old unwanted batteries.



Alexandra Transfer Station

60 Boundary Road, Alexandra 9383

**Cromwell Transfer Station** 

79 Barry Avenue, Cromwell 9384

Papanui Mitre 10 54 Harewood Road, Papanui, Christchurch 8053

Bromley Ecodrop Transfer Station 40 Metro Place, Bromley, Christchurch 8062

Redwood Ecodrop Transfer Station 76 Styx Mill Road, Casebrook, Christchurch 8051

Wigram Ecodrop Transfer Station

25 Parkhouse Road, Wigram, Christchurch 8042

Eco Shop 191 Blenheim Road, Riccarton, Christchurch 8041

Ferrymead Mitre 10 1005 Ferry Road, Ferrymead, Christchurch 8023

Clutha District Council -Public Reception Office 1 Rosebank Terrace, Balclutha 9230

Owaka Community Library

10 Campbell Street, Owaka 9535



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### What does success look like?

All 78 councils participating

Mandatory Product Stewardship, to share cost burden of insurance and recycling

As many retailers who sell batteries into the market participating

Waste industry with verified downstream also on our map

Reliable Data to assist with Market size (update NZ's working Tariff Document)

Shared central comms on educating the public nationwide what to do with their used batteries

Strategic collaboration with all OEMs





# What can you do?

- Responsible Recycling: Verify your battery recycler's downstream Partner. Sight the EPA permit.
- Join us, so we can recycle more for Aotearoa
- When purchasing, think and query with supplier about EOL process.



### **Solar Panel Recycling**

Recycling for our sustainable renewable future, finding solutions to legacy products powering our future

Like batteries, we need constant volume feedstock to move to a Phase 2 onshore solution

Need all landfill operators to participate in this diversion

98% of the panel's materials are recovered

We have resources to recover!

What other products does the future bring?





# We want everyone to experience the now and the future - responsibly

Have fun; and recycle

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HERE

1,413 kgs of batteries recycled at the Coldplay Concerts

for Eden Park Trust



### 100+ reasons to Recycle

# WE'RE FOR LANDF.L

### Go circular.

