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ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC
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2025 ANNUAL SCHEME HIGHLIGHTS

The eWASA Scheme is a comprehensive, rolling five-year action plan, collaboratively developed with stakeholders to meet producers' obligations under the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Regulations of 2020. This scheme ensures the environmentally sound management of five critical waste streams: Electrical and Electronic Equipment, Paper and Packaging, Portable Batteries, Lubricant Oils, and others. By aligning with regulatory requirements, the plan embodies eWASA's commitment to sustainability and shared responsibility in waste management.



R15.99M

**Waste Handlers
Refunds**



R75.8M

Revenue collected



R2.6M

Waste Picker Support



R8.2M

SMME development



64%

**Diverted from landfill
(recycled+reused+recovered)**



79

New jobs created

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Regulation 8(1)(c)(d)(iii), and 5A(1)(a)

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE (CONSOLIDATED)

The 2025 financial overview demonstrates a conservative and disciplined approach to budgeting, with actual expenditure remaining closely aligned to approved forecasts. A measured strategy was applied throughout the financial year, supported by prudent fiscal management to ensure organizational stability while enabling continued progress on priority initiatives.

40% of the EPR fee was allocated to waste collection and end-of-life waste handling services, in accordance with the approved EPR fee allocation. Payments to waste handlers improved, leading to better utilization of the allocated budget for end-of-life product management.

ADMINISTRATION BUDGET

EEE has currently utilised 8.18% of the actual revenue billed and is within the 12% cap as per regulations 7 (7) (a) and 7(7)(b)(iii) of the EPR Regulations.

PROJECT BUDGET

As at year-end, actual expenditure amounted to R23 163 053 in projects.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 2025 reporting year represents Year 4 of implementation of the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) framework under the National Environmental Management: Waste Act, as administered by the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment. The national diversion target for 2025 is 79,000 tonnes at industry level. eWASA’s contribution is assessed relative to volumes declared as placed on market (POM) by its registered producer members.

The 2025 results reflect the steady evolution and strengthening of the EEE scheme since implementation began.

PERFORMANCE AGAINST TARGETS

Regulation 8(1)(d)(i); 5A(1)(i)(j)(k) and (n)

The national diversion target of 79 000 tonnes is set at industry level and reflects the collective responsibility of all producers and PROs operating within the EEE sector. eWASA’s contribution is therefore assessed relative to the volumes placed on market by its registered members. The diagram below indicate year 4 performance which is assessed against the published targets.



Figure 4: Performance against targets

CONCLUSION

In Year 4 of implementation, eWASA demonstrated stable and measurable performance within the EEE sector relative to volumes placed on market by its members.

The scheme achieved substantial diversion through reuse, recycling and recovery pathways, with landfill disposal limited to a minimal residual fraction. The strong conversion of collected material into productive end uses reflects operational maturity within the downstream value chain and effective management oversight.

PROJECTS & IMPACT OVERVIEW

In line with the 2025 EPR strategy, eWASA recognized the importance of efficient and collaborative projects for identified products across its registered material streams. The Integrated project approach represented an innovative method for finding sustainable solutions that aligned with key objectives of the EPR Regulations.

WASTE PICKER INTEGRATION

Regulation 5A(1)(m) and (p)

Overview

eWASA continues to play a pivotal role in strengthening South Africa's informal recycling sector through targeted, regulation-aligned interventions. These interventions are designed to enhance the efficiency, safety, and income security of waste reclaimers involved in collection, sorting, and trading activities across the country.

In 2025, support to waste pickers was structured around three strategic focus areas:

- Infrastructure and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- support Training
- Skills Development Waste Picker Service Fee remuneration.

Training and Skills Development

eWaste remains one of the fastest-growing waste streams in South Africa and globally. While it contains valuable & recoverable materials, improper waste management presents significant environmental, health, and economic risks. Against this backdrop, eWASA continues to prioritise capacity development for SMMEs operating in the eWaste sector — both in relation to technical operations and regulatory compliance.

Training content was holistic in nature, ensuring participants understood the full scope of compliant eWaste management, including:

- Compliance requirements under the National Environmental Management: Waste Act and the Second-Hand Goods Act;
- Establishing and operating a compliant eWaste recycling business;
- Safe dismantling of electronic equipment (practical component);
- Sorting fractions and pricing for value optimisation;
- Reporting requirements; and
- Environmental, health, and safety best practices.

In 2025, 32 participants representing 27 SMMEs completed two training workshops and received certificates of participation along with post-training support resources.

EEE Training Workshops 2025:

- 12 June 2025: Kya Sands, Gauteng – 10 participants
- 26 -28 November 2026: Kya Sands, Gauteng - 22 participants

Waste Picker Service Fee

In accordance with the EPR Regulations, eWASA continued to support waste pickers through the payment of the Waste Picker Service Fee, disbursed via compliant buy-back centres affiliated with eWASA.

In 2025:

- R 278.48 in EEE waste Picker Service fee paid.
- Payments facilitated through 2 registered buy back centres.

Registered Buy Back Centres included: Top Recyclers, and PPM Plastics Management.

Municipal Support

Regulation 5A(1)(l)(n)(o)(q) and (r)

eWASA is committed to the spirit and letter of the EPR Regulations with respect to collaborating and cooperating with Municipalities across the country to achieve support and advance the Waste Management Economy. eWASA collaborated with various municipalities including including Geroge Local Municipality, Nelson Mandela Bay Metro Municipality, Namakwa District Municipality City of Johannesburg through PikitUp, . In 2025, new MoUs were signed with Danhausser Local Municipality, Umngeni Local Municipality, Emadlangeni Local Municipality, Iepelle-Nkumpi Municipality, Nkomazi Local and Municipality Bergrivier Municipality. Through these partnership, we have seen a steady growth in waste picker intergration programmes, delivery of seperation at source initiatives, training and public awareness programmes.

2025 eWaste Imbizo Highlights

Nkomazi, Mpumalanga	
	1 829.10 kg of eWaste collected
	R 3 980 in incentives paid
	Local SMME supported: Green Guru Solution
Vhembe District, Limpopo	
	12 112.25 kg of eWaste collected
	R 54 505.13 in incentives paid
	Local SMME supported: Green Star eWaste Recyclers
Ekurhuleni, Gauteng	
	2 293.66 kg of eWaste collected
	R 10 483.56 in incentives paid
	Local SMME supported:

GOVERNANCE REPORT

PRODUCER BOARD MEMBERS

*As per Regulation 11, the board is made up of producer members' representatives.

Name	Position
Keith Anderson	Founder & CEO
Andre Venter	Non-Executive Director
Marc Black	Non-Executive Director
Stephen Muli	Non-Executive Director
Micheline Locke	Non-Executive Director

Figure 10: eWASA's Board of Directors

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Africa Surge (Pty) Ltd	Distech Business Solutions t/a Vape Machine	Jungheinrich South Africa (Pty) Ltd	Samsung SA Electronics (Pty)
African Resonance Business Solutions (Pty) Ltd	Eaton Electric South Africa (Pty) Ltd	KLB Engineering (Pty) Ltd	Scentworks (Pty) Ltd
Alphawave Mobile Network Products (Pty) Ltd	Ebike Tec (Pty) Ltd	Kyocera Document Solutions	Sir Vape (Pty) Ltd
Amazon Data Services (Pty) Ltd	Enlight Energy Solutions (Pty) Ltd	L&G Tools and Machinery	Specialised Electronic
Andreas Stihl (Pty) Ltd	Empros Trading (Pty) Ltd	L'Oréal South Africa	STI Investments (Pty) Ltd
Becton Dickinson (Pty) Ltd	Epson Middle East FZCO – South Africa	Melbro Wholesale (Pty) Ltd	Sunfor Technologies
BMW South Africa (Pty) Ltd	EXB Electric (Pty) Ltd	MercedesBenz South Africa	Surgical Innovations
Boxer Superstores	Fluidra Waterlinx	MiX Telematics International	Telkom SA Ltd
British American Tobacco South Africa	Foschini Retail Group (Pty) Ltd	MKopa South Africa	The Scientific Group
Canon South Africa	Garmin Southern Africa	Musco Lighting South Africa (Pty) Ltd	The Scottish Dragon (Pty) Ltd
Cardio Tech t/a Cardaxes	HashTag Vapes (Pty) Ltd	Multichoice (Pty) Ltd	The Spar Group Limited
Cummins South Africa	Hive IoT (Pty) Ltd	New Clicks South Africa	The Steam Masters (Pty) Ltd
Core Computer Business (Pty) Ltd	Holdsport Group (Pty) Ltd	New Lab Industries (Pty) Ltd	Toyota South Africa
Adagin Technologies (Pty) Ltd	Dashpay Proprietary	Nortech Systems Africa	Vaperite (Pty) Ltd
Jaguar Land Rover SA & SSA	Samsung Electronics South Africa	Omron Electronics (Pty) Ltd	RS South Africa
PowerOptimal (Pty) Ltd	PowerOptimal (Pty) Ltd	PBSA (Pty) Ltd	Philip Morris South Africa (Pty) Ltd
Roche Products (Pty) Ltd			

eWASA subscribes to stringent governance ethos and practices in its EPR Programme. This governance involves the system of processes, principles, and values that direct how eWASA implements its EPR obligations in its own right and when it interacts with its network of Producers, Recyclers, etc. across the five Waste Streams, viz Paper and Packaging, Lighting, Electrical and Electronic Equipment (EEE), Portable batteries and Lubricant Oils. Our governance model ensures that we meet our own obligations as a PRO and that our members and stakeholders are beholden to EPR regulations and comply with same.

Our strong corporate governance structures promote accountability, transparency, and ethical conduct. To this end we have put in place effective management systems, policies, and procedures that enable us to manage our operations in compliance with the EPR regulations. We have a thorough member onboarding process that ensures all legislative requirements are met including registering on applicable government portals like SAWIC, paying the applicable levies based on what members put out into the South African Market – and submitting interim and annual reports as they become due. Our PRO Scheme is audited every year by a team of External Auditors as required by the regulations. In addition to this, we also audit our members every year to make sure that they are compliant with the EPR regulations and all other applicable legislation. We require all our members to meet all their legal obligations as far as their operations and EPR measures are concerned.

A pivotal element of our governance is managing the product value chain effectively and to determining who is responsible for the EPR compliance, to what extent and the EPR fees applicable. This requires and necessitates that we work collaboratively with manufacturers, retailers, importers, brand owners and other stakeholders to ensure that waste is collected, recycled, and disposed of in an environmentally responsible and sustainable manner that creates jobs, empowers communities and saves the environment.

Our governance encompasses robust reporting and disclosure mechanisms that enable stakeholders to monitor the performance of product responsibility organizations in meeting their EPR obligations. We report to our members in various fora and to government on how we spend EPR Funds. The amount we spend on Administration falls within the limits and prescripts set by the EPR regulations i.e., not more than 12% in year 4 of the regulations. The majority of EPR funds are channeled to specific EPR and Waste Management Programmes which include some of the following:

- Payment of waste pickers
- Waste Pickers Integration & support
- Waste Education and Awareness Campaigns at Schools and Communities
- Waste Equipment and Infrastructure
- Recycling Activities
- Beneficiation of Waste
- Waste to Art Initiatives
- Municipal Waste Projects
- Secondary End-Market Development
- Research and Development
- Public relations
- Employment creation ventures

Our governance includes regular statutory reporting on waste volumes, recycling rates, and compliance with regulatory requirements. We require our members to meet the reporting obligations timely with consequences for non-submission which result in members losing their compliance status.

Ultimately a strong governance framework is critical for us if we are to successfully implement the EPR regulations in the South African context for electronic waste, lighting, paper and packaging, and portable batteries sectors. Such governance enables us to promote sustainable and sound waste management practices, that not only protect the environment for future generations but creates jobs and opportunities now

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