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Call for public consultation on Nordic Ecolabelling criteria for Primary batteries

We would highly appreciate your input during the revision of the criteria for Primary batteries, generation 5. Your comments are **very** important in the development of a both ambiguous environmental as well as market based criteria for Primary batteries.

We have identified the following areas of interest in the revision:

- Use of resources in batteries and packaging
- Corporate Social Responsibility regarding the sourcing of “conflict-free” mineral, critical raw materials and working conditions
- Battery capacity, durability, safety and quality

The consultation is therefore divided into three sub processes each dealing with the specific topic listed above. You are requested to comment on each of them. Based on the feedback from the three consultation periods, Nordic Ecolabelling will draft a proposal of criteria for Primary batteries during a final public consulting period.

If you wish to join us in developing the next generation of Nordic Ecolabelling criteria for primary batteries, **please register here:** <http://www.nordic-ecolabel.org/criteria-revisions/primary-batteries#skjema> Registration ensures that you will receive project status updates via email.

You are also invited to a Nordic Ecolabelling webinar on **June 12, 2018** where the first draft criteria for primary batteries, generation 5, will be presented. Please register via email to primarybatteries@nordicecolabel.org if you plan on attending. Specification and meting materials will be distributed via email and posted on <http://www.nordic-ecolabel.org/criteria-revisions/primary-batteries>

Nordic Ecolabelling welcomes stakeholder suggestions on any issues to be considered during revision of generation 5 and in particular on those topics listed above. Please submit any comments to primarybatteries@nordicecolabel.org

Deadline for commenting on the first sub process, *use of resources in batteries and packaging*, is **April 15, 2018**. Documents on the first sub process is located here: <http://www.nordic-ecolabel.org/criteria-revisions/primary-batteries>

Comments submitted by registered stakeholders are published on the same webpage.



To track the progress on this revision, please visit the product development website
<http://www.nordic-ecolabel.org/criteria-revisions/primary-batteries>

All enterprises, institutions, or persons interested in the development of the criteria for Nordic Swan Ecolabelled Primary batteries are entitled to submit comments. We kindly ask you to spread the information about this consultation to anyone interested in the proposal.

Please contact me, Thomas Christensen, at tc@ecolabel.dk or Ove Jansson at Ove.Jansson@svanen.se with questions or concerns. Thank you for your continued support of the Nordic Ecolabelling criteria for Primary batteries.

Best Regards,
Nordic Ecolabelling

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