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Circular Energy, a non-profit organisation based in Durban that specialises in the safe disposal of unwanted electronic equipment (e-waste), has teamed up with retail shopping brand Woolworths to help dispose of compact fluorescent lamps (CLF lamps) and batteries, specifically.



For years, Woolworths stores across the country have positioned recycling and disposal points at exits, but now with Circular Energy as its e-waste partner, the retailer is highlighting the importance disposing of CLF lamps correctly. This comes after Trade & Industry minister Ebrahim Patel in March this year proposed banning the sale of fluorescent and incandescent light bulbs for general household use.

Patricia Schröder, spokesperson for Circular Energy, says, "The aim behind this collaboration is to make the process of disposing household portable batteries and lighting lamps not only easier, but also more environmentally-friendly and legally sound, encouraging greater participation in responsible e-waste recycling."

Feroz Koor, Woolworths Group Head of Sustainability, adds, "As part of our Good Business Journey and commitment to environmentally responsible practices, we have for many years provided specially designed in-store disposal bins for our customers. This way we encourage our customers to dispose of their hazardous waste items like redundant energy-saving light bulbs and batteries responsibly. Our partnership with Circular Energy will reenergise this service and encourage our customers to continue partnering with us to make a positive impact on the environment and our communities," says

To find a Woolworths near you with a dedicated battery and CFL disposal bin, visit: (http://em2.medialist.co.za/ls/click?

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