

ISO Packaging and the Environment Standards – What Do They Mean?

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Recap

- Six standards, Two Technical Reports
 - Umbrella
 - Packaging Optimization
 - Reuse
 - Recycling
 - Energy Recovery
 - Organic Recycling
 - Chemical Recovery
 - Report on substances and materials which may impede recycling



Background

- Why did we get involved?
 - Provide corrugated and U.S. perspectives
 - Needed to participate to influence standards
- How were we involved?
 - Deeply involved in development of packaging optimization and recycling standards; recycling impediments TR
- Limitations
 - Must impact standards during development, as the U.S. only receives one vote – many votes for E.U members



Approach

- Not Prescriptive
- Provides a framework for self-assessment
- Provides a method of documenting that the requirements have been met



Impact on Corrugated Manufacturers

- Standards are expected to be used by our customers
- Corrugated Manufacturers may incorporate these standards into design process to assure compliance
- Not a large burden – merely documenting what many already do in the normal design process
- No major issues for corrugated manufacturers anticipated

