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Good Morning

We support the scheme in general as an Importer of Cordless Power Tools, that are battery operated.

However we believe it would be more efficient, ensure a 100 % fee collection rate and avoid possible distortion of competition due to some importers not participating in the scheme and therefore not paying the levy, if the levy would be collected by the Customs Department at point of the batteries coming into the country.

While the reputable importers and well know brands will participate in the scheme and will be monitored, we are concerned that a lot of companies, who bring in cheap products into the country under numerous "no-name"-brands, may not adhere to the scheme and might be hard to track down, once the batteries are in the market.

Also suppliers of replacement batteries for tools, that operate online without any retail presence may fall into this category.

So collecting the money at point of entry rather than relying on information supplied by members in our opinion would be the preferred option or a levy collection.

Best Regards

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