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CWM to host second annual Electronics Recycling Day

Now that spring cleaning's underway, Chemical Waste Management has announced the perfect opportunity for area residents still holding onto those unwanted computers or cell phones -- an Electronics Recycling Day, to be held Saturday, April 23, as part of its company-wide Earth Day celebrations.

CWM's 1550 Balmer Road facility will be open to the public from 9 a.m. to noon that day for residents of Lewiston, Porter and Ransomville to drop off their old, unwanted electronics.

"This is the second electronics recycling day that we've hosted,"

said Dick Sturges, CWM district manager. "Our main objective is to help people understand that these types of electronics do contain some hazardous metals, and it's much better to recycle them than to have them go to a solid waste landfill."

Jim Lis, lab manager at CWM, is coordinating this year's event. He pointed out that there's a good amount of hazardous materials contained in many of today's electrical items.

"Do you realize that a computer monitor or a color TV contains 2 to 8 pounds of lead?" he asked. "Hopefully most people realize that you can't just

throw these things in the trash, and so they are sitting in people's attics and garages."

In addition to TVs, such computer items as CRTs (monitors); CPUs (hard drives); keyboards; mice; and printers will be accepted. Also accepted will be cell phones, household telephones, and electrical items like stereos, radios and VCRs.

Best of all, there's no cost for residents. All they need to do is merely show up at CWM's gates where they will be directed to the drop-off point by CWM personnel.

For more information, call 754-8231.