SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

HARMONISATION

- Action 1: Clear, straight forward and nationally consistent regulations for storage and transport of all used batteries
 - ⇒ Standardised approach for all batteries (WA as a good model D221 covers all batteries)
- Action 2: Digital single point used battery movement reporting

CIRCULAR ECONOMY

- Action 3: Government funding for applied research (Grants / accelerated depreciation / loans)
- Action 4: Government infrastructure investment
 - → Local energy storage with end of life plans
 - Pilots for de-centralised pre-processing
 - → All government infrastructure projects to include end-of-life plan for batteries
 - Funding for ABRI to promote path forward & solutions nationwide
- Action 5: Government focus on circular economy success stories in media communications

BATTERY STEWARDSHIP

- Action 6: A blanket ban on batteries to landfill
- Action 7: Continued support for the Battery Stewardship Scheme
 - Light regulation to engage free-riders
 - Commitment to regulate if an industry led scheme is not successful
 - Government procurement priority for brands participating in the BSC

BEST PRACTICE EDUCATION & INNOVATION

- Action 8: Investment in understanding emerging occupational, health and safety risks
 - Safe transport / containerization
 - Control of airborne nano-particulates
 - Handling charged materials
 - Management of electrolytes & organic solvent
- Action 9: Funding to create guidance and educate
 - Collection and storage best practices
 - Facility management
 - Safe treatment of EV batteries
 - Safe collection containers
 - Fire reduction measures and equipment

EFFICIENCY & ENFORCEMENT

- Action 10: Review of import/export permitting process
 - Review of permit fees (cost recovery & enforcement)
 - → ABRI can be a helpful resource
- Action 11: Increased resources for the Department of Environment & Energy
 - Enable enforcement of the Hazardous Waste Act
 - Review & improvement of the Product Stewardship Act
- Action 12: Require government investments (e.g. Arena) to require projects to have an end of life plan for batteries

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