

## Update from the Product Re-Life Centre; March 2007

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This is the first newsletter from the Product Re-Life Centre, established with Defra support by Oakdene Hollins Ltd to promote remanufacturing and other reuse options. Through this newsletter we hope to reach all those who are interested in keeping abreast of current developments in remanufacturing by providing them with up-to-the-minute news and information on remanufacturing worldwide.

Further information on the items below and many other current reports and news items can be found on our website [www.remanufacturing.org.uk](http://www.remanufacturing.org.uk)

### Centre News:

#### Remanufacturing Stakeholder Event on 23rd January 2007 at University of Bristol

Oakdene Hollins held its first Stakeholder Event of the Defra Remanufacturing Pilot on 23rd January 2007 at the University of Bristol. In all, around forty people from government, academia and industry attended the event which represented the first serious attempt to coordinate supporting activity across the sector. The ultimate purpose of the event was to produce an action plan for next year's work that met the needs of remanufacturing stakeholders and the outcomes are available to read by all registered users on our website. We have already received some interesting feedback on the day but would like to hear from any delegates who have not yet let us have their views.

#### Where next?

The Product Re-Life Centre is funded by Defra to investigate, build the case for, and assist companies to promote and exploit reuse and remanufacturing options. You may have already read the priority areas from our workshop, but expect further communications from us regarding events of interest, initiatives and alerts to opportunities to get involved in next year's action-based projects. In the meantime keep visiting [www.remanufacturing.org.uk](http://www.remanufacturing.org.uk) for the latest news.

#### Reports on product areas

Reports on remanufacturing in nearly twenty product areas are now available on our website. We would like to hear from you if you know of an area of remanufacturing not covered so that we can add to these.

**Remanufacturing Business Survey:** If you haven't already taken the short survey, conducted on our behalf by University of Bristol, please take a couple of minutes to describe your activities and views at [www.survey.bris.ac.uk/engdesign/remansurvey](http://www.survey.bris.ac.uk/engdesign/remansurvey)

## **Industry News:**

### **Remy International agrees to sell diesel remanufacturing business to Caterpillar Inc.**

Remy International, Inc. has announced the signing of an agreement for the sale of its light and medium truck diesel engine and component remanufacturing business to Caterpillar Inc. for a cash purchase price of US\$150 million. [more.](#)

### **LDA invests 3 million in recycling & remanufacturing**

The London Development Agency is investing £3 million in the recycling sector in London, through its 'Enhance' business support programme. Enhance will now support larger companies that are looking to expand their operations as well as continuing to develop and assist small and medium-sized enterprises and social enterprises. [more.](#)

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