

**** MEDIA ALERT ******“Spring Green” Your Home During Environment Week!**

Happy spring greening! In time for Environment Week, the Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation (RBRC) provides the following tips to help Canadians spring clean their home – and become more eco-conscious in the process.

1. Start by finding all the old rechargeable batteries and cell phones you have lying around your house. Recycle them through the **Call2Recycle™** program – find a participating location at www.call2recycle.org or call toll-free 877-2-RECYCLE.
2. Free up some closet and shelf space by hosting a garage sale or donating unwanted items to your local community support organization. There are also many sites on the internet that will help you find a new home for your no-longer-needed treasures.
3. Wipe down surfaces with a heavy-duty microfiber towel to pick up maximum dirt, dust and crumbs and save paper towels. Just throw it in the washing machine after each cleaning and it's ready for the next round.
4. Use vinegar as a household cleaner instead of commercial alternatives. Mixed in equal portions to water, it can be used to clean most surface areas. Baking soda is also another great homemade cleaning product - it deodorizes, as well as scrubs away dirt and grime.
5. When you arrive home, take off your shoes and rest them on top of newspaper: It'll absorb all the excess dirt and germs you've dragged in from outside.

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