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## HP INDIGO INKS AND RECYCLING : INFORMATION FOR PRINTERS

The use of HP Indigo inks has grown significantly since its launch, reflecting the technical advantages and flexibility of use offered by this technology which is in line with the growing trend of printing on demand.

As of 2010, the constantly increasing presence of printing waste containing this type of ink in the types of paper to be recycled collected directly from printers, even in small quantities and/or in a diffuse manner, **has led to difficulties during the de-inking process performed by paper producers, disrupting the recycling of this waste in the graphic sector and for certain packaging uses.**

In order to meet the growing environmental expectations of customers and consumers, the recyclability of inks is a fundamental element to be taken into account in the life cycle of printed products.

Recognizing the importance of the innovation represented by HP Indigo inks, and the need to direct them towards suitable recycling routes, **COPACEL, FEDEREC, UNIIC and HP call on printers to implement a separate collection of waste and scrap from HP Indigo technology prints** so that their recycling can take place in a process where these prints do not disrupt deinking. This separation of flows at source is the condition that will make it possible **to maintain the quality and guarantee the recycling value of the different types of production waste.**