Data Destruction

Information Technology and Facilities Management in a combined effort to address data security and computer asset tracking are implementing changes on how computers and digital/magnetic data disposal is handled.

Data Security

As of April 13th 2009 Facilities Management will no longer pick up computers (laptops, desktops, servers and external hard drives) that contain hard drives; all hard drives must be removed and the PC cases clearly marked that it does not contain a hard drive in order for a pick up to occur.

To document the destruction of the data on these hard drives the hard drive must be marked with the serial number/service tag of the computer that the hard drive was removed from; additionally the Property Tag needs to be removed from the PC case and taped to the hard drive. All hard drives that are properly marked are to be sent to the ATC in PLS-237 for processing, once sanitized by IT Asset Management, these drives will be sent to recycling for shredding.

Additionally all digital and magnetic media containing data; CD's, DVD's, floppy disk, zip disks, and tapes must be properly destroyed. To document the destruction of the data contained on these items the following procedure needs to be followed; delivered all CD's, DVD's, floppy disk, zip disks, and tapes to the ATC in PLS-237. At time of drop off you will need to complete a "Release for Destruction" form to release the items for destruction.

Computer Asset Tracking

To address the tracking/disposal of computer related assets, Facilities Management will no longer pick up computers, monitors or printers that have a property tags attached; these tags must be removed and sent to ATC in PLS-237prior to requesting a pickup from Facilities Management.

Comments or concerns about this process, contact John King x7301



Release for Destruction Employee Personal Electronic Media

This form is to document personal computer and/or media received from current or retired campus employees (Faculty/Staff/Management) whereby said property is transferred to the University for the sole purpose of destruction . Received from : _____ Date (NAME OF INDIVIDUAL) (ADDRESS) (PHONE) Email Addres s Authorizing Signature Received By (IT Staff Member - Print) (Extension) IT Staff - Signature _____ DESCRIPTION **EQUIPMENT** Comments Including all components parts (make, model, etc.) SERIAL No. **Destruction Instructions:** Data Wipe and Return Media Destroy Media Remove Internal Media for Destruction Other Completely Wipe and Destroy Device (Instruction s) Destroyed By _____ (IT Assets Management - Print) (Extension) IT Assets Management - Staff Signature _ _____ Date Destroyed