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As the world pivots from planet-warming fossil fuels to renewable energy, a new pollution problem is rearing its head: what to do with old or worn-out solar panels.

We explore the four key risks involved with solar panel disposal and recycling, including (1) Legal risk, (2) Reputational risk to the generator, (3) Reputational risk to the original equipment manufacturer ...

Last year, fears that toxins would leach out of solar panels and contaminate soil and groundwater helped kill an Ohio solar project. In other communities, this narrative is fueling efforts to ...

A report by International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), 2016 estimated the generation of 78 million tons of e-waste from solar panels. These solar panels contain carcinogenic ...

PV panels contain toxic materials, like lead, that can cause environmental pollution, yet many are dumped in landfills when they die. They also contain valuable materials that could be reused to make ...

The coming surge in photovoltaic panel waste is tiny compared to other categories, and most health concerns about solar equipment are unfounded.

More than 85% percent of a solar photovoltaic (PV) module is made of materials we already know how to recycle, like aluminum and glass. However, solar panel recycling--and ...

The International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) predicted in 2024 that by 2030, up to 8 million metric tons of solar panel waste could accumulate globally. Recycling rates for solar ...

PV modules are new to many people, so increasing PV deployment has led to growing concerns about the quantity of waste that may arise from decommissioning them (if they are not ...

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This review has examined the growing challenge of solar PV waste through the lens of uncertainty, highlighting how technological, market, and regulatory drivers shape environmental, ...

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