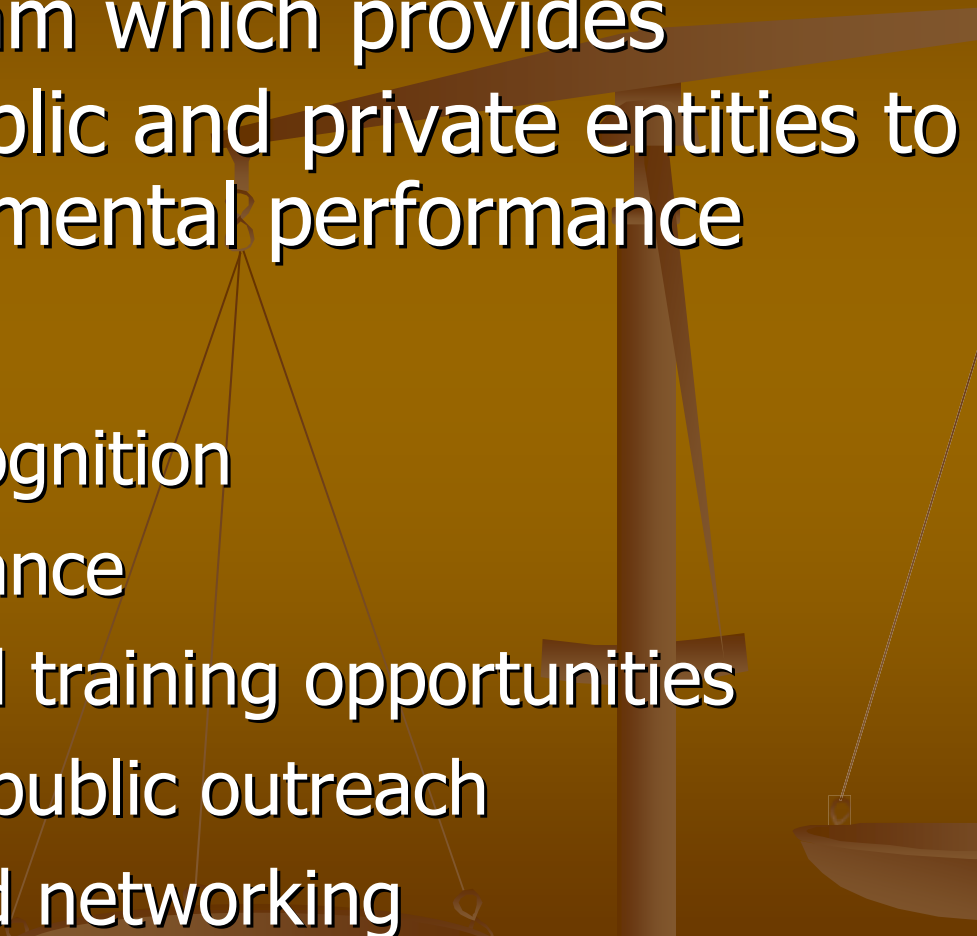




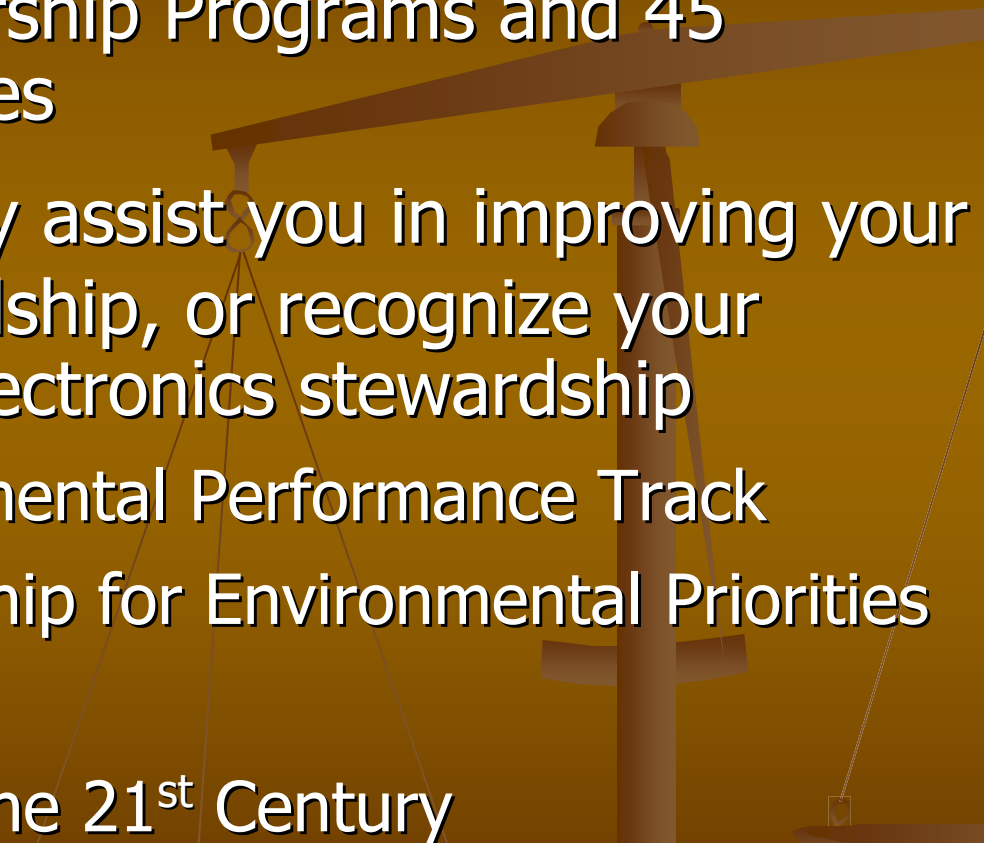
Leveraging FEC Accomplishments within Other EPA Partnership Programs

Federal Electronics Challenge
Partner Teleconference
March 6, 2008

What is a “Partnership Program”?

- Voluntary program which provides assistance to public and private entities to improve environmental performance
 - Benefits
 - Awards and recognition
 - Technical assistance
 - Conferences and training opportunities
 - Assistance with public outreach
 - Case studies and networking
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EPA Partnership Programs

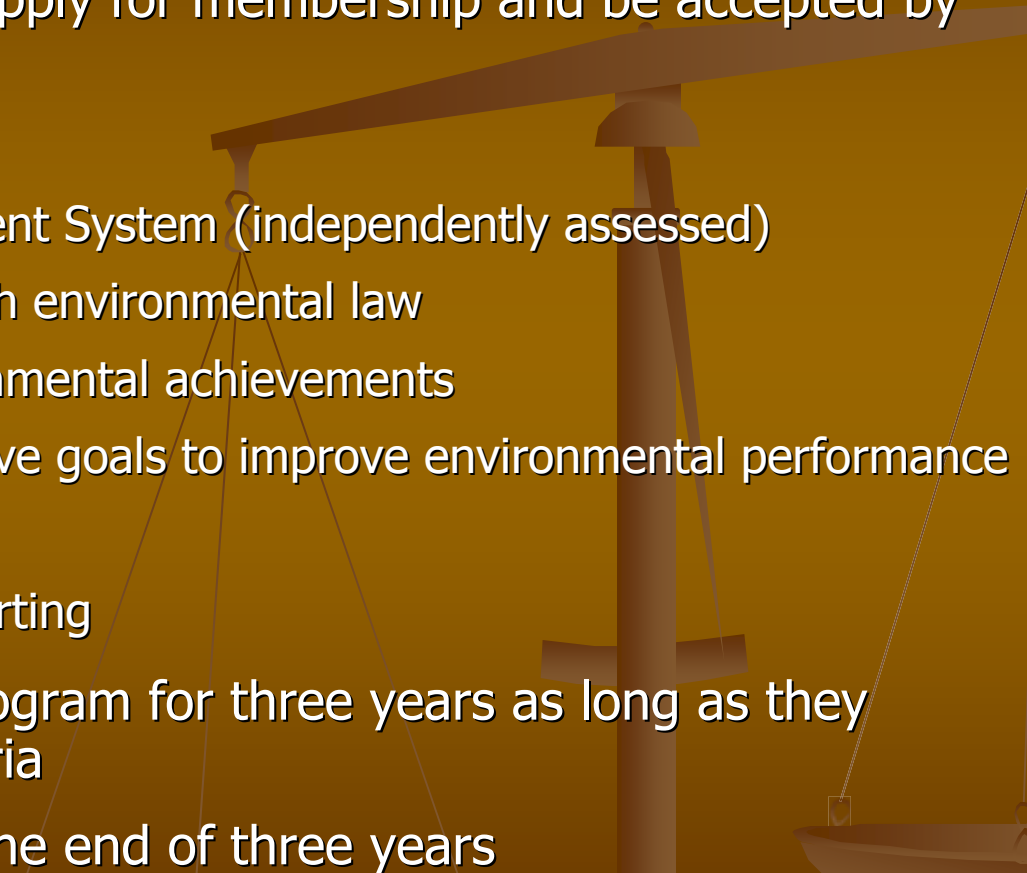
- EPA has 53 Partnership Programs and 45 partnership activities
 - Four programs may assist you in improving your electronics stewardship, or recognize your ongoing work in electronics stewardship
 - National Environmental Performance Track
 - National Partnership for Environmental Priorities
 - WasteWise
 - Laboratories for the 21st Century
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National Environmental Performance Track

- Recognizes and rewards private and public facilities that demonstrate strong environmental performance that goes beyond legal requirements, and have implemented high-quality environmental management systems



Performance Track Membership

- Interested facilities must apply for membership and be accepted by the program
 - Standard criteria
 - Environmental Management System (independently assessed)
 - Sustained compliance with environmental law
 - Demonstrate past environmental achievements
 - Commit to four quantitative goals to improve environmental performance
 - Public outreach
 - Annual performance reporting
 - Members remain in the program for three years as long as they continue to meet the criteria
 - Members may reapply at the end of three years
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Performance Track and Electronics Stewardship

- Required environmental performance goals may address a variety of environmental indicators
 - Material procurement
 - Energy use
 - Waste
 - Improvements in electronics stewardship may lead to benefits that can help members achieve their goals
 - Purchasing EPEAT-registered products
 - Enabling power management features
 - Recycling obsolete electronics
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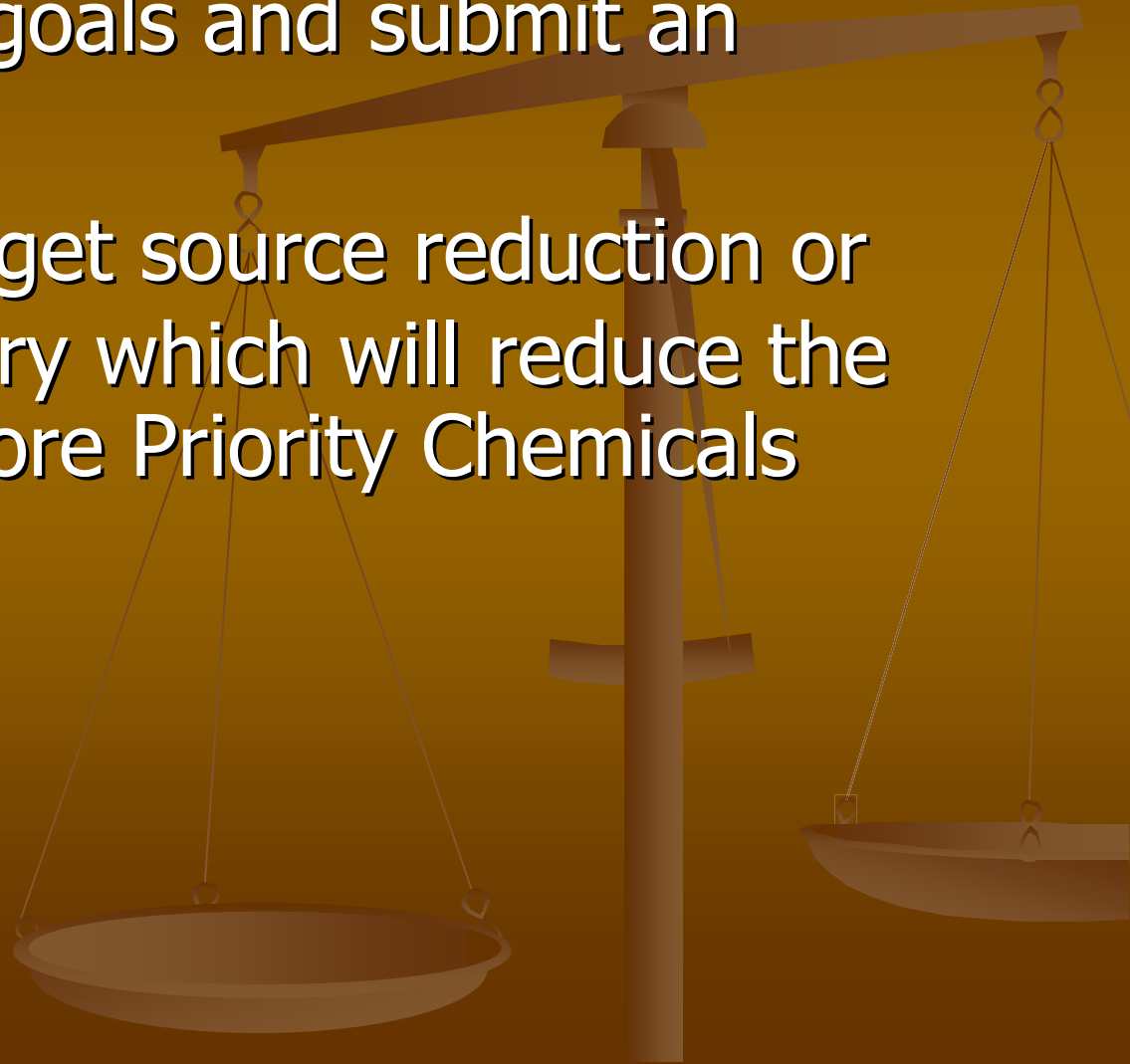
National Partnership for Environmental Priorities (NPEP)

- Encourages public and private organizations to form voluntary partnerships with EPA aimed at reducing the use and/or release of any of 31 Priority Chemicals



NPEP Membership

- Partners define goals and submit an enrollment form
- Goals should target source reduction or recycling/recovery which will reduce the use of one or more Priority Chemicals



NPEP and Electronics Stewardship




- List of Priority Chemicals includes cadmium, lead, and mercury, heavy metals commonly found in electronic products
- Required goals must address source reduction or recycling/recovery
- Improvements in electronics stewardship may lead to benefits that can help members achieve their goals
 - Purchasing EPEAT-registered products
 - Recycling obsolete electronics

WasteWise

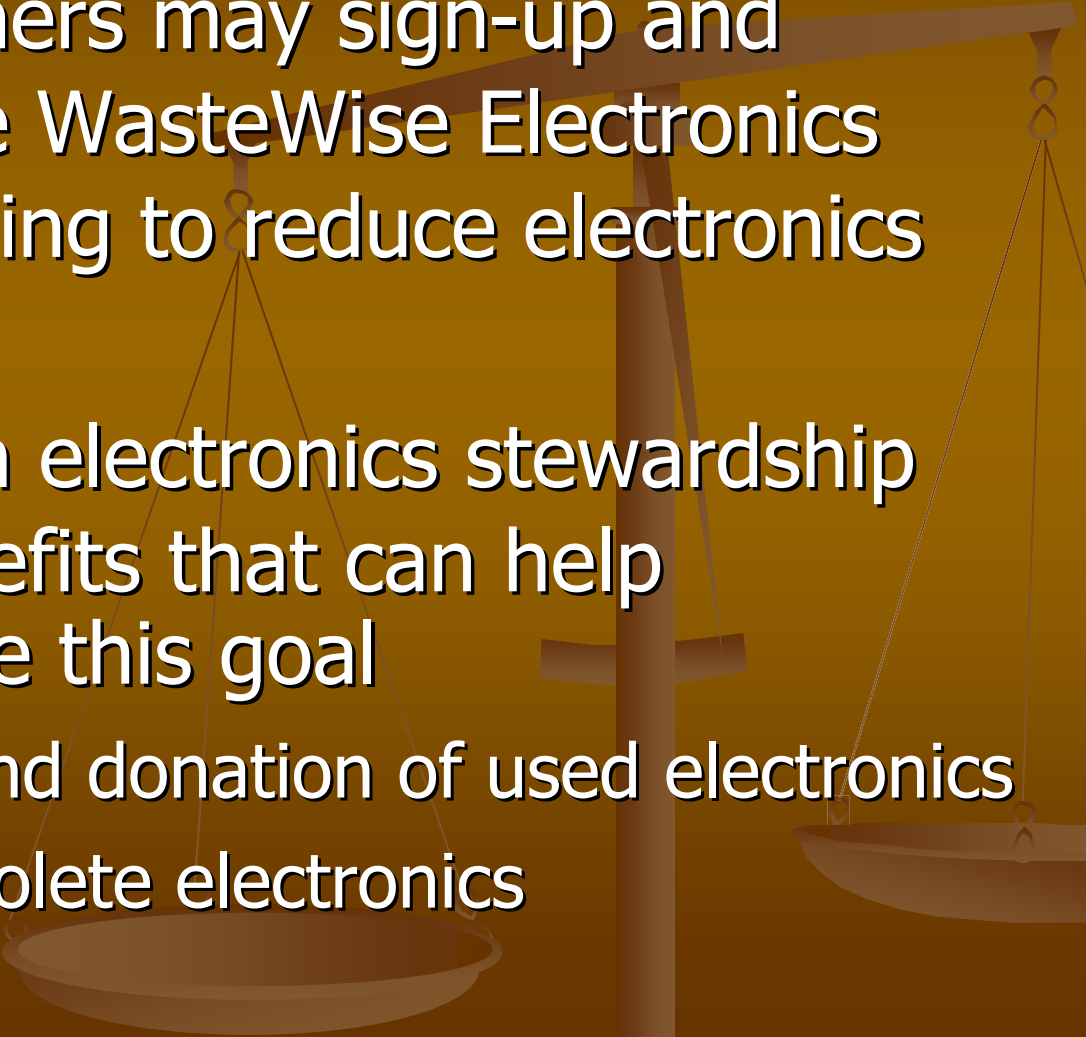
- Encourages organizations to eliminate municipal solid waste and select industrial wastes, benefiting their bottom line and the environment



WasteWise Membership

- Partners register and identify priorities
 - Partners set up WasteWise programs to address their priorities
 - Management support
 - Waste assessments
 - Employee education
 - Measurement and reporting
 - Program maintenance
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WasteWise and Electronics Stewardship



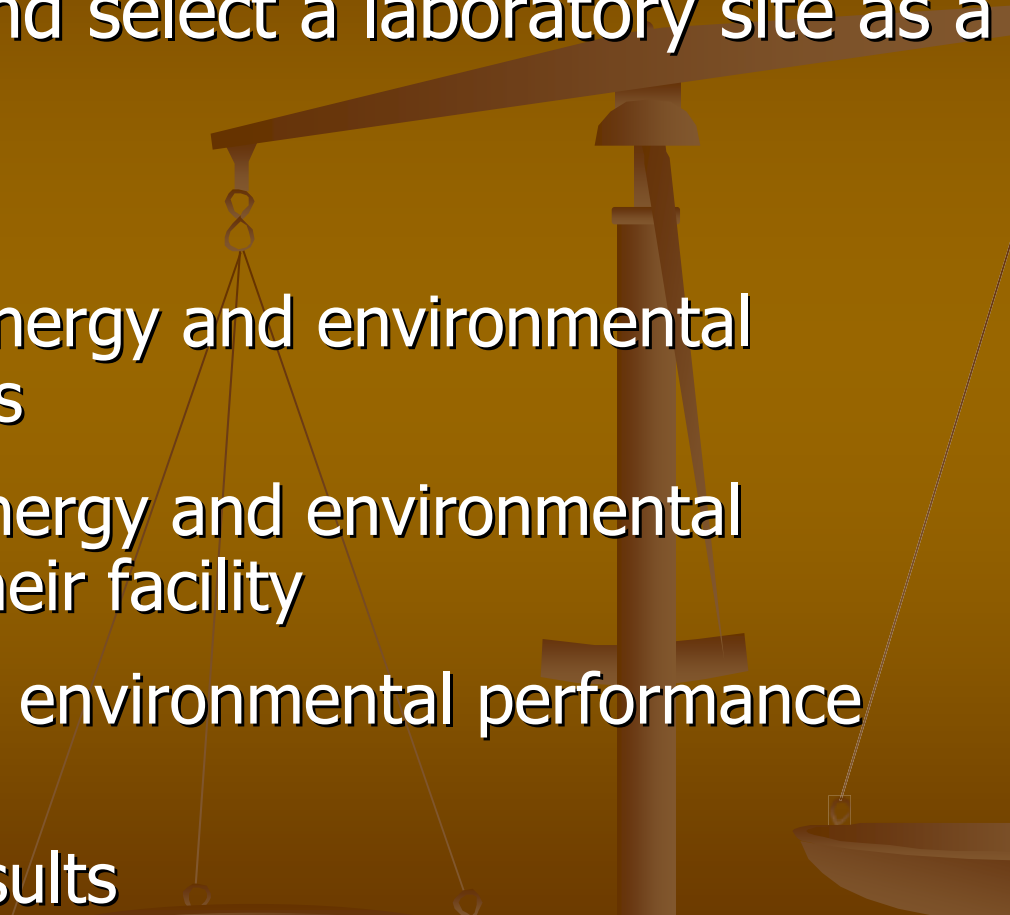
- WasteWise partners may sign-up and participate in the WasteWise Electronics Challenge, pledging to reduce electronics waste
- Improvements in electronics stewardship may lead to benefits that can help members achieve this goal
 - Internal reuse and donation of used electronics
 - Recycling of obsolete electronics

Labs for the 21st Century

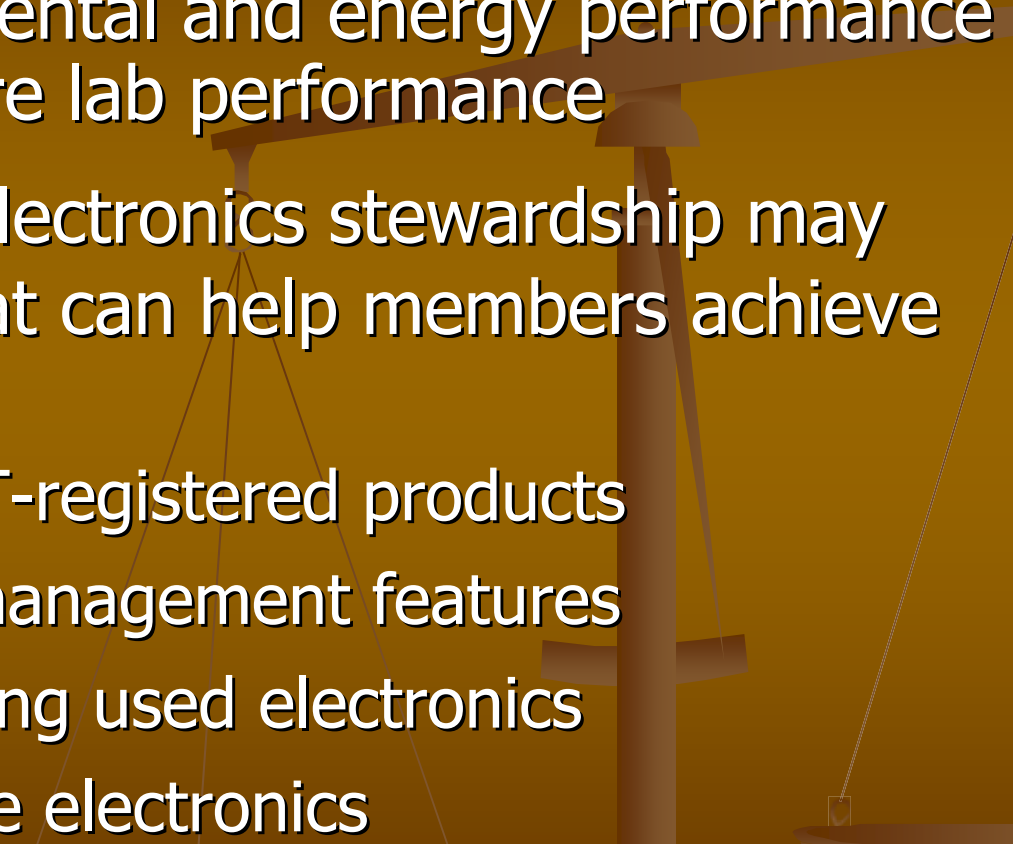
- Encourage the development of sustainable, high performance, and low-energy laboratories nationwide



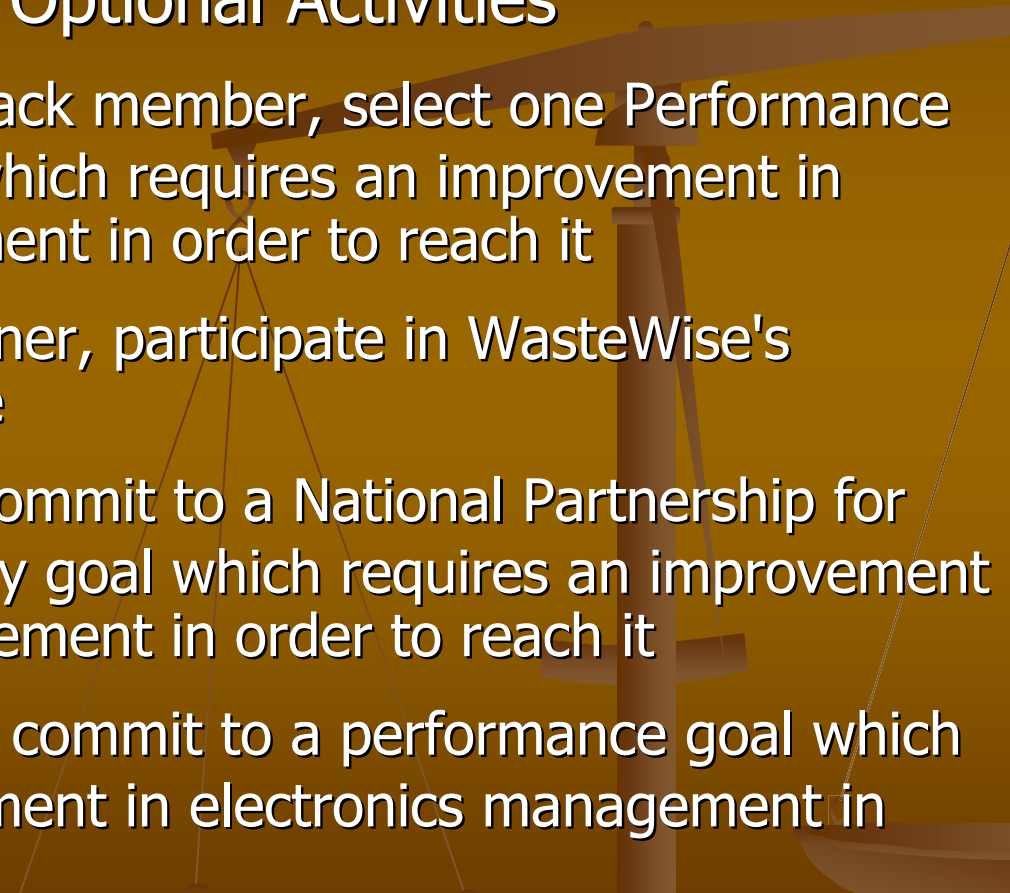
Labs21 Membership

- Partners register and select a laboratory site as a Labs21 Project
 - Projects must
 - Set measurable energy and environmental performance goals
 - Benchmark the energy and environmental performance of their facility
 - Share energy and environmental performance results
 - Report project results
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Labs21 and Electronics Stewardship

- Required environmental and energy performance goals address future lab performance
 - Improvements in electronics stewardship may lead to benefits that can help members achieve their goals
 - Purchasing EPEAT-registered products
 - Enabling power management features
 - Reusing or donating used electronics
 - Recycling obsolete electronics
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Leveraging Electronics Stewardship Accomplishments

- FEC Annual Awards, Optional Activities
 - As a Performance Track member, select one Performance Track commitment which requires an improvement in electronics management in order to reach it
 - As a WasteWise partner, participate in WasteWise's Electronics Challenge
 - As a NPEP partner, commit to a National Partnership for Environmental Priority goal which requires an improvement in electronics management in order to reach it
 - As a Labs21 partner, commit to a performance goal which requires an improvement in electronics management in order to reach it
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