Welcome to DES
&
to Today’s Workshop
“Universal Waste, Part II”
WHY THIS WORKSHOP?

Universal Waste, Part II

• Provide you with more practical information on UW
• Reaffirm the concepts you learned in Basic Training
• Offer information on what is going on with the current market for CRTs
TODAY’S AGENDA

• Universal Waste 101
• Activity
  • Managing Your Batteries
  • Why can’t CRTs go into the Landfill
  • Mercury: Spills and the Basics
• Cathode Ray Tubes
• Debrief on the Training
GROUP ACTIVITIES

Group 1 (a,b,c)
• Following this intro stay in the Auditorium
• Break
• Report to:
  • 1a: Room 110 (Batteries)
  • 1b: Room 112 (CRTs)
  • 1c: Room 114 (Mercury)
• Report back to Auditorium

Group 2 (a,b,c)
• Following this intro report to:
  • 2a: Room 110 (Batteries)
  • 2b: Room 112 (CRTs)
  • 2c: Room 114 (Mercury)
• Break
• Report to the Auditorium
Universal WASTES...

- Certain Pesticides
- Cathode Ray Tubes
- Automotive Antifreeze
- Certain Batteries
- Mercury-containing Devices
- Certain Lamps
WHAT DOES “UNIVERSAL WASTE” MEAN FOR YOU?

• This stuff might be hazardous, or it might not.

• Options:
  • Take the time to **prove** it isn’t hazardous, or
  • Just assume it’s a hazardous waste and call it a universal waste
    • Easier regulations
    • Must be recycled
HAZARDOUS WASTES

“Typical” Hazardous Wastes
Managed under Env-Hw 500

Universal Waste
Hazardous, but usually managed under Env-Hw 1100
Easier!
HOUSEHOLD UNIVERSAL WASTE

- Made by...households!
  - Not regulated by hazardous waste folks

- When a non-household accepts it, they become regulated

- The receiving party (Solid Waste Facility) becomes a “universal waste handler”
BUSINESS UNIVERSAL WASTE

• UNLIKE other hazardous wastes, you can legally accept universal waste from a business
  • Is it a good idea?
    • What is the recycling market?
    • Will taxpayers support it?
    • Will management support it?
  • Also a “Handler”
WHAT/WHO IS A “HANDLER”?

• Someone who receives universal waste at their facility
• Someone who makes universal waste
• Someone who stores universal waste
• Someone who sends universal waste to another party
• Except Households
CLASSES OF HANDLERS

- “Small Quantity Handler”
  - Less than 11,000 pounds
- “Large Quantity Handler”
  - Between 11,000 and 50,000 pounds
- “VERY Large Quantity Handler”
  - More than 50,000 pounds
- Don’t count lead-acid batteries
THINGS HANDLERS CAN’T DO

• Dispose of it
• Treat it – such as crushing lamps on purpose
• Give it to someone who isn’t going to handle it legally
THINGS HANDLERS MUST DO
RULES FOR ALL UNIVERSAL WASTES

1. Any containers that hold universal waste must be:
   - Closed
   - Compatible with the universal waste it’s holding
   - In good condition so it won’t leak
WHEN IS A CONTAINER NEEDED?
Leaking or damaged batteries
Leaking or damaged mercury devices
When glass vials are removed from mercury devices
Intact or broken lamps
BROKEN CRTs (Glass)
All Automotive Antifreeze
2. STORAGE TIME REQUIREMENT

• Must store for 1 year or less
  ▪ Date container, or
  ▪ Date the item, or
  ▪ Maintain an inventory

• More than one year only if it is necessary to allow proper recovery, treatment, disposal
  ▪ Contract to prove it
  ▪ Dating materials
FOR ALL UNIVERSAL WASTES

3. Outside storage must be covered
4. **Respond to leaks and other releases**

- Immediately contain
- Clean up in 24 hours
- If human health or the environment are threatened, notify local fire company and NHDES (271-3899)
ALL UNIVERSAL WASTES

5. Ship in compliance with DOT
   • Use a bill of lading
   • Not required to use a registered hazardous waste transporter

6. Handlers must be trained to recognize risks of waste, be familiar with waste handling and emergency procedures
FOR ALL UNIVERSAL WASTES

7. If you have ≥11,000 pounds of universal waste on-site
   • Tell NHDES
     • 271-2921
     • Don’t include the weight of batteries
   • Keep shipping records for 3 years
PESTICIDES
PESTICIDES ARE THE TOUGHEST UNIVERSAL WASTE TO MANAGE

• Designed to intentionally kill
• In a form that can easily get:
  • Moved
  • Inhaled
  • Ingested
  • Dissolved
PESTICIDES ARE THE TOUGHEST UNIVERSAL WASTE TO MANAGE

• More likely to be destroyed than recycled
• Rules are designed more for large-scale collections
  • Major recalls
RULES FOR CERTAIN PESTICIDES

Which Ones?
RULES FOR CERTAIN PESTICIDES

Which ones?

Those that are suspended or recalled under “Federal Insecticide Fungicide Rodenticide Act” (EPA’s FIFRA)

Contact NH Dept. of Agriculture for most up-to-date list

- 271-3550
RULES FOR CERTAIN PESTICIDES

1. Must be in a container (closed!)
RULES FOR CERTAIN PESTICIDES

2. Label with:
   • The label originally on the package **AND**
   • “Universal Waste Pesticide” or
   • “Waste Pesticide”
PESTICIDE STORAGE

2. Stored on an impervious surface
   • Secondary containment near floor drains or manholes
RULES FOR CERTAIN PESTICIDES

4. Equipment required near pesticides

- Fire control equipment
- Spill control equipment
- Decontamination Equipment
RULES FOR CERTAIN PESTICIDES

5. Adequate aisle space
   • to respond to emergency
   • To find problems
RULES FOR CERTAIN PESTICIDES

6. Telephone posting

- Local fire dept., 911, or both
- Local police, 911, or both
- DES (271-3899)
- DOS (223-4381)
- Local response team #
- Steps to take in an emergency
RULES FOR CERTAIN PESTICIDES

7. Outdoor Storage Requirements

- A barrier (fence, wall) surrounding waste
- Controlled (gated) entry
- Posting that says:

  “Danger – Unauthorized Personnel Keep Out”
RULES FOR CERTAIN PESTICIDES

8. Personnel Training!!!

- A formal –written training plan that tells who, what and when
- Trained in hazardous waste management within 6 months
- Can’t handle pesticides until trained
- Receive training again every 6 months
- Strict documentation of training records
RULES FOR CATHODE RAY TUBES

1. Broken/damaged cathode ray tubes that could release glass particles must be in a container that is closed, impermeable, and prevents releases.

2. DO NOT BREAK OR CRUSH on purpose.

Cathode Ray Tubes (CRTs) contain lead.
CATHODE RAY TUBES

3. Label:

- “Universal Waste – Cathode Ray Tubes”
- “Waste Cathode Ray Tubes”
- “Used Cathode Ray Tubes”
NOTICE OF CONTRACT

COMMODITY: Electronic Waste Removal & Recycling

CONTRACT NO.: 8001834

NIGP: 926-7700

VENDOR: Electronix Redux Corp.  
282 Dedham St.  
Unit 2  
Norfolk, MA 02056

VENDOR #: 226720

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EFFECTIVE FROM: July 28, 2015  
Through: September 30, 2018

TERMS: Net 30

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RULES FOR AUTO ANTIFREEZE

1. Store in a container or tank (closed!)

2. Label the container or tank:
   - “Universal Waste Antifreeze”
   - “Waste Antifreeze”
   - “Used Antifreeze”

May contain heavy metals and cancer-causing benzene
THROUGH USE ANTIFREEZE BECOMES CONTAMINATED.
RULES FOR CERTAIN BATTERIES
BATTERIES

Nickel-Cadmium (Ni-Cd)

Lithium

Button cell

Lead-acid

Dangerous for Heavy Metals, fire hazard, and sometimes acids
In 1996, Federal law is adopted (Mercury Containing and Rechargeable Battery Act) that prohibits addition of mercury to batteries (except for button cells).
LITHIUM BATTERIES
HOW LITHIUM BATTERIES ARE MADE

• [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GKvqj3wOL7E](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GKvqj3wOL7E)
LITHIUM-ION BATTERY CONSTRUCTION

- “jelly roll”
- “+” side coated with lithium electrolyte
- “-” side coated with lithium electrolyte too
- High-tech separator in between two layers
LITHIUM-ION

• Safety concerns
  • Potential for fire from overheating
    • Shorting, cheap charger, damaged separator, damaged regulating circuit
  • Storage of large numbers together create a greater hazard
LITHIUM-ION

• Safety Concerns

• Some Lithium batteries look like lead-acid batteries and end up in lead-acid recycling system

• Bad news.
LITHIUM-ION

- Recycling Concerns
  - Changing technology – resistance to start up company if technology will change
    - The parts of the battery most valuable for recovery may be phased out in favor of better, but less valuable ones
  - Burning, leaching to recover Cobalt
    - Lithium in slag – not recovered!
RECYCLING ALKALINE BATTERIES

- Vendors will take them for you – for a price
- Ask for documentation that they are truly recycled and not disposed of
RULES FOR UNIVERSAL WASTE BATTERIES

1. Any battery leaking, or at risk of leaking, goes into a container (closed! And compatible with the stuff that’s leaking!)

2. Label containers holding batteries:
   - “Universal Waste Batteries”
   - “Waste Batteries”
   - “Used Batteries”
LEAD ACID BATTERIES
ANOTHER OPTION!

May be managed under the Universal Waste Rule (Env-Hw 1100) or Env-Hw 809
Requirements for Collectors (handlers)

“Store in a manner designed to ensure that the battery housings do not break or leak acid onto the soil or into any ground-waters or surface water”
ENV-HW 809

- Transporters
- Load and brace to prevent damage or short circuits
- Comply with State and Federal shipping regulations
LEAD-ACID BATTERIES

• Additional Best Management Practices
  • Stack on leak-proof surface
    • On pallet advised
  • No more that 5 layers high
  • Stored inside or under cover
  • Keep any container lids loose to prevent build-up of dangerous gases or fumes
  • Store away from sparks or flames
LEAD-ACID BATTERY CLEANUP

• Put on acid-proof gloves and eye protection at a minimum
• Put leaking battery in a 5-gallon bucket
  • Put baking soda or lime in bucket to neutralize acid that leaks out
    • Do NOT put baking soda or lime directly on battery
    • May spatter (“AAA”)
• Recycler will probably still accept it with advanced notice
LEAD-ACID BATTERY CLEANUP

- Neutralize acid on ground with baking soda
- Collect neutralized acid and put in a compatible container
  - Still has lead in it
- Save contaminated soil and debris for HHW event
MERCURY-CONTAINING DEVICES

- What are they?
MERCURY-CONTAINING DEVICES

1. Put any leaking devices into a closed & compatible container
2. Do not remove glass vials except in compliance with Env-Hw 1111.03(b)
3. Label:
   - “Universal Waste” – Mercury-containing Devices”
   - “Waste Mercury-containing Devices”
   - “Used Mercury-containing Devices”
LAMPS

Which Ones?

Mercury vapor
Fluorescent
High Pressure Sodium
Metal halide
Neon – not red

THEY ALL CONTAIN MERCURY!
METAL HALIDE AUTOMOTIVE LAMPS “XENON”

- Blue tinted light
- Three older models had mercury
  - “D1”
  - “D2”
  - “9500”
HOW FLUORESCENT TUBE LAMPS ARE MADE

• https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=diltf327LKU

10:30 min
FLUORESCENT LAMP RECYCLING

• Step 1. lamps are sent into a breaking machine under a vacuum-controlled atmosphere
FLUORESCENT LAMP RECYCLING

• Step 2. Heavy parts (glass and metal end caps) fall down a chute and move to the next step. Dust from the breaking, which contains phosphor and much of the mercury, goes up to a dust collection system.
FLUORESCENT LAMP RECYCLING

• Step 3. The dust is collected using a baghouse filter and carbon collection. This material is sent to a separate facility to recover the phosphor (which has value) and mercury it contains.
**FLUORESCENT LAMP RECYCLING**

- Step 3a. The heavier solids that fell out previously travel through a rotating drum with holes of various sizes. As the material enters the drum, physical tumbling and abrasion knock off more of the phosphor/mercury which falls through the first small holes.
FLUORESCENT LAMP RECYCLING

- As the remaining material travels through the rotating drum, the glass is broken into increasingly smaller pieces until it falls through the second set of holes (medium sized)
Finally, at the other end of the drum, the metal end caps are collected.
FLUORESCENT LAMP RECYCLING

- The phosphor/mercury collected here is also sent to a separate facility for recovery.
Rotary Tumbler Unit

- Medium – broken glass
- Small – remaining phosphor powder
- Big – metal end-caps
FLUORESCENT LAMP RECYCLING

• The broken glass is sent to a facility that uses it in aggregate
FLUORESCENT LAMP RECYCLING

- The metal end caps go for metal recycling
CONTRACT: SERVICES-RECYCLE LAMPS, BALLASTS, DRY CELL BATTERIES AND MERCURY DEVICES

CONTRACT NO.: 8001660

NIGP CODE: 926-7777

CONTRACTOR: COMPLETE RECYCLING SOLUTIONS, LLC. ID# 169536 B001
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FALL RIVER, MA 02720

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HOW YOU HANDLE LAMPS

1. Intact and broken lamps stored in CLOSED containers

2. DO NOT CRUSH THE LAMPS
   Permit required
LAMPS

- Label:
  
  “Universal Waste – Lamps”
  “Waste Lamps”
  “Used Lamps”

- Do not tape lamps together
LED LAMPS

• Not considered universal wastes
• Some versions have regulated lead and arsenic in them
  • Majority don’t
  • Don’t know if they would fail the test for hazardous waste
That’s all folks! Thanks for watching! Any questions?
Cathode Ray Tubes

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CRT Components

They consist of:

- Panel Glass
- Funnel Glass/Frit
- Casing/Stand
- Yoke/Ray Gun

Dismantled CRT

Panel Glass

Funnel Glass Contains Lead

Yoke/Ray Gun
Unwanted CRTs

- **CRTs vs. Flat Screens TVs**
  - Customers enjoy the sleeker design and higher resolution

- People may not know how to dispose of them
  - CRT funnel glass contains lead
  - Cannot be managed as solid waste
Management of CRT Waste

- CRTs are regulated both by the federal and state government
- CRTs are required to be managed similarly to hazardous waste
Downstream Management

• Electronic components are recycled

• Panel glass is non hazardous and managed as nonlead glass

• Funnel glass and frit go to:
  • Smelters
  • Tile Manufacturers
  • CRT Manufacturers
  • Concrete Manufacturers
  • Mineable Cell
  • Recovery of Lead

Market Crash

• In the past two years the commodities market has decreased

• This lead to increased disposal costs and stockpiling

• Increased disposal cost also lead to companies like Best Buy abandoning their free take back program this year
What DES Has Seen

- Very few businesses want CRTs
- CRTs are the bulkiest/heaviest of the universal wastes
- Widespread non-compliance
Impact

• The following factors make the proper disposal of CRTs difficult:
  • High and continuing demand for disposal
  • Limited disposal options
  • The cost of disposal

• These factors lead to people abandoning CRTs and trying to dispose of them as solid waste

• This also leads to the improper management of CRTs by businesses that handle them
Looking Forward

• Through education we can prevent CRTs from being mismanaged

• CRTs are not going away anytime soon

6,200,000 tons
Questions