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Notice

To: All Interested Parties

Subject: Redemption of the “Plastic Can” Beverage Container

The Department of Conservation (Department), Division of Recycling (Division) has been advised that recyclers are concerned about redemption of the “plastic can.” This beverage container is primarily made of PET plastic with a film wrapper and with a bonded aluminum top. The Division has determined that it is a #7 Other plastic beverage container.

Recycling centers must accept any “plastic can” labeled with “California Redemption Value” in the normal manner and pay the appropriate refund value rate for #7 plastic beverage containers under the provisions of the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act.

All recyclers should consult with their processor(s) regarding any special handling required for these containers as the aluminum top may be a contaminant to plastic loads and may cause loads to be rejected.

Processors are required to accept these beverage containers from recyclers as #7 Other plastic beverage containers.

To review notices of changes impacting participants in the beverage container recycling program, please visit the Division’s home page on the Internet at www.consrv.ca.gov/dor/index.htm or call the Division of Recycling at (800) RECYCLE.

If you have any questions relating to completion of the DR-6, please contact the Recycler Training and Review Section at (916) 323-3008.

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