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NOTICE

TO: Recycling Centers and Certified Processors

SUBJECT: Glass Cleaning Application

Pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 2425(h), recycling centers or certified processors receiving loads of glass beverage container material (BCM) with greater than ten percent (10%) by weight of contamination, and the loads of glass are otherwise eligible for refund value, shall request an alternative methodology of preparing the shipping report for payment (i.e., Glass Cleaning Application).

If you are receiving loads of glass BCM with greater than ten percent (10%) by weight of contamination and do not have an approved Glass Cleaning Application, please submit an application to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle), Division of Recycling (Division) describing your method of cleaning glass BCM to ten percent (10%) or less by weight of contamination, or the name of the facility that will clean glass BCM to ten percent (10%) or less by weight of contamination on your behalf. The Glass Cleaning Application can be found on our website at http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/BevContainer/CertOperator/AltMethod/.

The Division shall consider each proposed alternative methodology and issue a written approval or denial within forty-five (45) calendar days. You may also resubmit an application if you wish to make any changes to your existing approved alternative method. Any change to your methodology not consistent with your approved Glass Cleaning Application is a violation of Section 2425(h).

Recycling centers and certified processors cleaning their own glass BCM to ten percent (10%) or less by weight of contamination may use the percentage derived from their own approved cleaning methodology to reduce for shrinkage when claiming on shipping reports. Recycling centers and certified processors who authorize another facility to clean glass BCM on their behalf shall use the shrinkage percentage provided by the facility they have authorized when claiming on shipping reports. In either case, recycling centers and certified processors are required to maintain all documents supporting their shipping report claims.

If you are cleaning your own glass BCM and claiming ten percent (10%) or less shrinkage on your shipping reports and you do not have a Glass Cleaning Application approved by the Division, we will conduct a visit to your facility to validate your claim that you are meeting the glass cleaning requirements.

As always, please maintain all records supporting your shipping report claims. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Bill Castillo at (916) 323-2271.