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Notice

To: All Interested Parties

Subject: Redemption of the “Plastic Can” Beverage Container

The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) wants to remind recyclers about how to redeem the “plastic can,” which is described as a container primarily made of PET plastic with a film wrapper and a bonded aluminum top. This container material type is considered “Plastic #7 – Other.”

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

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 “Plastic #7- Other” beverage containers.

To review notices regarding changes that impact participants in the Beverage Container Recycling Program, please visit CalRecycle’s home page at www.calrecycle.ca.gov or call the Division of Recycling at 1 (800) RECYCLE.

Should you have any questions relating to the completion of shipping reports, please contact the Technical Assistance and Review Unit at (916) 323-3008.

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**This notice is a reissue of the December 28, 2004 notice issued while the Division of Recycling was with the Department of Conservation.**