



AEROSOL CANS CLASSIFIED AS UNIVERSAL WASTE BY THE EPA

The EPA has finalized a streamlined system for managing hazardous waste aerosol cans that the Agency estimates this change will save at least \$5.3 million annually in regulatory costs.

"Today's rule will benefit approximately 25,000 facilities across numerous industries such as the retail, construction, and manufacturing sectors" said EPA Administrator Andrew Wheeler. "The simplified structure of the universal waste program will help improve regulatory compliance, make aerosol can collection more economical, and facilitate the environmentally sound recycling of this common waste stream."

The EPA anticipates that this final rule will promote greater consistency for the regulated community as several states already include aerosol cans in their universal waste programs. The final rule offers a more uniform, nationwide handling system and furthers our effective partnerships with states and tribes by making it easier for states to add this waste stream to their universal waste programs.

With this rule, the EPA is adding hazardous waste aerosol cans to the list of materials that can be managed under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act's universal waste management system. This system was established to streamline hazardous waste management for certain categories of hazardous waste that are commonly generated by a wide variety of establishments. Hazardous waste batteries, certain hazardous waste pesticides, mercury-containing equipment, and hazardous waste mercury lamps are the other federal universal wastes.

This change is expected to benefit the wide variety of companies generating and managing hazardous waste aerosol cans, including the retail sector, by providing clear, practical standards for handling discarded aerosol cans and protecting human health and the environment. The rule is expected to:

- Ease regulatory burdens on retail stores and others that discard hazardous waste aerosol cans
- Promote the collection and recycling of aerosol cans
- Encourage the development of municipal and commercial collection programs to reduce the quantity of these wastes going to municipal solid waste landfills or combustors
- Save the regulated community between \$5.3 million to \$47.8 million annually.

(Environmental Resource Center - 11-17-19)



Join Our Mailing List!

DIRECTORY

Corporate Headquarters
215 West Church Road
King of Prussia, PA 19406
Phone: (610) 265-1510 / FAX: (610) 265-0687

New Jersey
Pureland Complex, Suite 202
510 Heron Drive, P.O. Box 521
Bridgeport, NJ 08014
Phone: (856) 467-2276 / FAX: (856) 467-3476

Southwest Pennsylvania
2001 Waterdam Plaza Drive, Suite 205
Cannonsburg, PA 15317
Phone: (724) 206-0348 / FAX: (724) 206-0380

E-mail: RTENV@RTENV.COM
World Wide Web: [HTTP://RTENV.COM](http://RTENV.COM)
24 HOUR URGENT LINE SERVICE 800-725-0593

Directory

Corporate Headquarters

215 West Church Road
Suite 301
King of Prussia, PA 19406
Phone: (610) 265-1510
FAX: (610) 265-0687

New Jersey

510 Heron Drive
P.O. Box 521
Suite 202, Pureland Complex
Bridgeport, NJ 08014
Phone: (856) 467-2276 FAX:
(856) 467-3476

Southwest Pennsylvania

2001 Waterdam Plaza Drive
Suite 205
Cannonsburg, PA 15317
Phone: (724) 206-0348
FAX: (724) 206-0380

E-mail: RTENV@RTENV.COM / World Wide Web: [HTTP://RTENV.COM](http://RTENV.COM)

24 HOUR URGENT LINE SERVICE: 800-725-0593

RT Environmental Services, Inc., 215 W. Church Road, King of Prussia, PA 19406

[SafeUnsubscribe™ {recipient's email}](#).

[Forward email](#) | [Update Profile](#) | [About our service provider](#)

Sent by lcarr@rtenv.com