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**BMP** EOC #1

**TITLE:** SPRAY CANS & EMPTY CONTAINER STORAGE/DISPOSAL

**Regulatory Citation:** Not Applicable.

**Applicability:** Empty liquid chemical containers & spray cans

**Purpose:** Proper handling and storage of empty containers.

**Person or**

**Department Responsible:** Program Coordinators, Asso. Coord of Business Services

**Schedule:** As needed

**Procedures:** All drainable liquids must be removed from the containers. No chemical liquids are poured directly down drains. Waste liquids can be added to other waste containers if they are compatible – for example latex paint can be added to a latex paint waste container (see paint disposal BMP #3)

All hazard warning labels must be removed from the containers or defaced. If possible, empty containers will be returned to the container supplier. Prior to transport off-site the container must be stored inside. However, if containers must be stored outside they must be stored with their lids sealed tight. If lids are not available then the containers must be stored on their sides to prevent the accumulation of rainwater. If return to the supplier is not possible, then dispose in regular trash.

**Aerosol spray cans:** if empty, dispose in regular trash; if still contains product, follow procedures for disposal of off specification chemicals in BMP #2.

**Record keeping:** Not Applicable.

**Record Location:** Not Applicable.

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