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COLUMBUS, OH (May 30, 2018) - On December 21, 2017, Ohio EPA added paint wastes, antifreeze and aerosol cans to the list of materials that can be managed under less-stringent universal waste (UW) requirements.

- Paint and Paint-Related Waste includes hazardous waste paints that meet the following three
  criteria: contains a pigment (can also be unpigmented), contains a binder and contains an adhesive,
  as well as hazardous materials contaminated with paint. Examples include, but are not limited to:
  - Used/unused paint and ink;
  - Spent solvents used in painting (combination of thinner and paint, lacquer or varnish);
  - PPE, gloves, rags and debris (contaminated with paint);
  - Booth filters, stripping and masking materials, paint sludge from water-wash curtains;
  - Cleanup from paint spills, residues and removal activities;
  - Sand blasting media (contaminated with paint).
- Antifreeze includes propylene glycol or ethylene glycol, including aggregated batches of propylene
  glycol or ethylene glycol, used as a heat transfer medium in an internal combustion engine; heating,
  ventilating and air conditioning units; and electronics cooling applications, or used for winterizing
  equipment.
- Aerosol cans are non-opening, non-refillable containers that holds a substance under pressure and
  that can release the substance as a spray, gel or foam by means of a propellant gas. The waste codes
  typically associated with this waste would be ignitable and may include numerous listed commercial
  chemical products depending on the product in the container.

## More Information:

http://epa.ohio.gov/

## **OSHA Publishes Proposed Extension of Some Beryllium Standard Compliance Dates**

WASHINGTON D.C. (May 31, 2018) - OSHA announced on May 31, 2018 that a proposed rule that would extend the compliance date for certain ancillary requirements of the general industry beryllium standard to December 12, 2018. This extension applies to all processes, operations, or areas where workers may be exposed to materials containing beryllium that fall under the scope of the general industry standard.

The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) for a Limited Extension to Select Compliance Dates for Occupational Exposure to Beryllium in General Industry was published in the Federal Register on June 1, 2018. The extension allows OSHA to complete a planned NPRM that is designed to clarify the standard and to simplify compliance. This proposal will benefit employers covered under this regulation to avoid

potential confusion and ensure employers implement necessary and appropriate requirements to protect workers.

OSHA has also issued a memorandum stating that the ancillary requirements that are affected by this rulemaking will not be enforced until June 25, 2018. Any provisions for which the standard already establishes compliance dates in 2019 (change room and showers) and 2020 (engineering controls) are unaffected by this rulemaking.

The public may participate in this rulemaking by submitting comments during the 30-day comment period. Click <a href="here">here</a> for information on submitting comments on the proposed rule.

More Information:

https://www.osha.gov/news/