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**BMP** Grounds #14

**TITLE:** SPENT AUTOMOTIVE AND LEAD ACID BATTERY RECYCLING

**Regulatory Citation:** 6 NYCRR Part 374-3

**Applicability:** Spent automotive batteries generated in Grounds; lead acid batteries

**Purpose:** Proper handling, storage and recycling of automotive batteries.

**Person or  
Department Responsible:** Grounds Supervisor (629-7565)

**Schedule:** As needed

**Procedures:** Spent automotive batteries will normally be returned to the vendor as replacements are purchased. Abandoned batteries will be transported by Grounds to the battery storage unit, labeled "Universal Waste – Batteries" located in the Cogan hazardous waste storage shed. Any batteries showing evidence of potential leakage will be placed in a covered container before moving to the Cogan shed. A label will be put on the battery and it will be placed on the pallet in the shed. The label will be dated when the battery is put on the pallet.

At least once per year, the Physical Plant staff will transport the batteries to the approved recycling vendor in quantities of not more than 500 lbs. They will obtain a signed receipt for the batteries and give this to the Director of EHS.

The Director of Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) is responsible for submitting notification to the State Dept of Environmental Conservation under 371.1(c)(7) of our intent to use the scrap metal exemption. If the disposal/recycling vendor changes, the Executive Manager of Physical Plant will notify the Director of EHS so that an updated notification can be filed.

**Record keeping:** Battery receipts

**Record Location:** Physical Plant Office, EPA files

**Current vendor:** Freedman's, Green Island, NY  
Capitol Scrap Metal Company, Albany, NY  
Hudson River Recycling, Albany, NY  
Nathan Kelman Recycling Center, Cohoes, NY

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