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**The Pesticide Stewardship Alliance Releases
Mini Bulk/IBC Container Collection and Recycling Contacts on Website**

St. Louis, June 30, 2014 – As a service to pesticide users, The Pesticide Stewardship Alliance (TPSA) has compiled a list of companies currently collecting Mini Bulks / Intermediate Bulk Containers for recycling. The information is now available on the TPSA site: [Container Collection and Recycling Resources](#).

This web page is a one-stop resource providing contact information on 14 companies engaged in Mini Bulk / IBC recycling programs across the U.S. The companies include container manufacturers, reconditioners and recyclers. Users can search companies conveniently by container type and by state. This page also includes contact information for 20 pesticide manufacturers and distributors engaged in the collection and recycling process.

For easy download, also included are lists in pdf formats, of the container companies, pesticide manufacturers and distributors. TPSA invites participation in the container collection and recycling process, please send updates or requests to be added to these lists to Bonnie McCarvel, Operations Manager, TPSA bonnie@tpsalliance.org

TPSA recommends that the plastic from pesticide Mini Bulks / IBCs is handled according to the American National Standards Institute/American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (ANSI/ASABE) Standard S596, *Recycling Plastic Containers from Pesticides and Pesticide-Related Products*. TPSA further recommends that the recycled plastic be used in North America to produce end use products identified in the ANSI/ASABE standard, such as marine or bridge pilings, field drain pipe or fence posts. The full list of acceptable end use products for the plastic and other information about the ANSI/ASABE standard can be found at [Container Collection and Recycling Resources](#).

TPSA does not endorse any of the companies listed and recommends that pesticide users conduct due diligence of potential container collectors, processors and recyclers. The web page provides some questions that will serve as a starting point.

TPSA's [Mini Bulk / IBC Management page](#) provides additional helpful information for recycling these containers, including guidance and a video on how to rinse IBCs, definitions of commonly used container terms, information on complying with EPA's pesticide container regulations, and links to container and recycling presentations from recent TPSA conferences.

About TPSA

The Pesticide Stewardship Alliance, founded in 2000, is an organization of federal, state and local governmental agencies, educational and research institutions, public organizations, private corporations and individuals that are actively involved in different aspects of pesticide stewardship. The goals of TPSA are to increase the effectiveness, efficiency and longevity of various pesticide stewardship efforts. Check the TPSA web site for more information.

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