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# **Li-Cycle Inc Boulter Storage Facility Eastman Business Park – Spoke 2 Facility Waste Management Procedures**

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# Boulter Storage Facility

# Town of Webster, Monroe County

## September 2020



# Industrial Park Rural Setting

~37,000 SF Storage  
~1/3 of Existing Space



# Boulder Storage Facility

- Receive and store lithium-ion batteries/components
  - 5,000 mt/year based on Spoke 2 capacity
- Ship lithium-ion batteries to Eastman Business Park location for processing
- Receive products from Eastman Business Park location
- Large Quantity Handler of Universal Waste
  - Notification and EPA ID
  - Storage < 1 year
  - Appropriate Containers
  - Proper Labeling
  - Spill Management
  - Training – UW Management and Emergency Procedure
  - Transport of UW to Handler, Destination, Export
  - Records – Three years all UW shipments sent and received



# Battery Materials Accepted

Li-Ion Batteries and Battery Components from approved customers US/Canada

- Small Format – consumer electronics/tools
- Large Format – vehicles and high voltage energy storage
- Unassembled battery components/manufacturing scrap

Batteries are accepted in the following containers:

- 55 gallon open top steel drums – small format
- Cubic Yard Gaylord Boxes - components
- Shrink wrapped/palletized - components
- Manufacturer-specific containers – small/large format



# Materials Pre-Acceptance Procedures

## Approved Supplier Prior to Shipment

- Shipping Checklist
  - SDS/Material Description
  - Manufacturer Instructions
  - Documentation/photos of container and interior packaging
    - Proper Labeling
    - Container Lining/packing materials
    - Battery Packaging



# Materials Acceptance Procedures

- o Containers Screened for Condition/IR Thermometer
- o Containers Inspected for Proper Shipping Materials/Labels
- o Shipment Logged into Inventory Management System/Weighed
- o Contents Compared to Shipping Documents

## Rejected Materials

- o Materials are not Lithium-Ion Batteries/Components
- o Rejected Back to Supplier, Documented in Report



# Materials Storage Procedures

Full-Time Warehouse Staffing

Daily Inspections of Containers (Visual and Temperature)

- o Documentation of Inspections
- o Single Level Storage Currently/No Racking
- o Palletized Drums/Gaylord with Aisle Space
- o Damaged/At Risk Materials Isolated



# Emergency Response Procedures

## Initial and Annual Facility Training Plan

- o UW Requirements, Spill Response, Emergency (Fire)

## Emergency Response

- o Primary Emergency Coordinator
- o Webster Volunteer Fire Department





# Fire Protection

- o Fire Detection System
- o Alarm Systems
- o Fire Suppression (Sprinklers) Throughout Facility
- o Available Class ABC and Class D Fire Extinguishers
- o Access to Water for Submerging Batteries



# Eastman Business Park – Spoke 2 Facility

## March 2021

Town of Greece, Monroe County  
Large Industrial Park

Residential to North



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The Home Depot

Seneca Park Zoo

104

390

1.00 mi

2.00 mi

2.85 mi

W Ridge Rd

Lake Ave

Maplewood Dr

Mt. Read Blvd

Ridgeway Ave

Ridgeway Ave

Lake Ave

104

Bridge View Dr

MAPLEWOOD  
HISTORIC DISTRICT

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Maplewood Dr

# EBP Spoke 2 Facility

- Receive Lithium-Ion Batteries from Boulter Storage Location
- Receive Hazardous Waste Directly – Damaged Batteries
- Processing of Lithium-Ion Batteries for Material Recovery – 5,000 mt/year
- Universal Waste Destination Facility
  - Notification and EPA ID
  - Manifesting, Recordkeeping, Reporting
  - Permitting – Part 373
  - No Storage Prior to Processing (Same shift, 1-3 days)
  - Management of Other Wastes – Part 360 Solid Wastes



# Materials Pre-Acceptance/Acceptance Procedures

## Approved Supplier Prior to Shipment – Damaged Batteries

- o Shipping Checklist
- o Hazardous Waste Manifest
- o Shipment Screening
- o Damaged Battery Shipments Processed Upon Receipt
- o Rejected Materials Follow Hazardous Waste Manifest Procedures





# Materials Processing Procedures

## Materials Manually Removed from Containers

- o Non Lithium-Ion Battery Materials Removed

Pb Acid, NiCd, NiMH, Li Metal, Consumer Electronics

- o Rejected Materials Returned per Shipment

## Process is Closed Loop Wet Crushing

- o Plastics, Foils, Black Mass
- o Gravity Feed to Supersacks



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# Moving Forward

- o Morris Industrial Fire – June 29-30, 2021

184,000 lbs of Li Batteries, Residential Evacuations

[Site Profile - Morris Lithium Battery Fire - EPA OSC Response](#)

- o Li-Cycle Response
- o Hub Operations
  - o Hydrometallurgical Recovery of Metals - EBP
- o Town of Greece Bi-Weekly Meetings
  - o Greece, NYSDEC, Li-Cycle/Consultant
- o International Fire Code - Lithium Battery Storage





# Thank You

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