

Maryland Used Motor Oil Recycling Program Newsletter

Maryland Environmental Service

Did you know?

- Since 1988, more than 8.5 million gallons of used motor oil have been collected in Maryland for proper disposal.
- For the first half of the year 2003, the Program collected 396,300 gallons of used motor oil and 18,800 gallons of used antifreeze.
- The used oil that the Program collects through US Filter is reprocessed and used as a supplemental fuel by industrial users.
- Check out the Annual Report online www.menv.com
- Need a copy of "Guidelines For Program Participants"? Email ptant@menv.com

Rain Shelter Program Update

The Maryland Used Motor Oil Recycling Program Rain Shelter Grants Project sponsored by Carroll Independent Fuel Company (CIF) through the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) has proven to be very successful. The grant funding was received from CIF for the purpose of implementing a supplemental envi-

ronmental project (SEP). The funding will assist in the construction of rain shelters to help minimize storm water accumulation in existing used motor oil recycling drop-off areas.

Nine of the ten grants have been awarded. Frederick, Calvert, Cecil counties and the Towns of Walkersville and Mt. Airy have all completed their projects and

received their grant funding. Washington and Prince George's counties and the Town of Sykesville are still in the process of completing their rain shelter projects.

There is still one outstanding grant available. If you are interested in applying for this grant—\$ 2,500. 00 maximum for materials only—please let me know.

Important Issues that need your attention—now!!!

- You are responsible for overflow situations—not MES or the Program. Please place a sticker with a local emergency response number on the tank.
- Monitor your tank daily—to prevent overflow conditions. When your tank is 3/4 full call for collection service.
- Remove all empty containers and trash. Cleanup all spills around your collection site.
- Secondary containment is a MUST!
- If your containment area is full of rain water—it needs to be pumped out! MES has a fixed price contract for material removal. But you have to pay for it—not the Program.
- Appoint an individual to be responsible for keeping the site in order.
- Program enrollment does not exempt you from State environmental rules and regulations!



Showcase of Rain Shelters



Cecil County Landfill



Reichs Ford Landfill,
Frederick



Town of
Mount Airy



Huntingtown,
Calvert County





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Maryland Environmental Service, created in 1970, is an independent agency of the State of Maryland that provides environmental management services to both public and private entities. MES is committed to protecting and improving the environment for the citizens of Maryland.

MES administers the Maryland Used Oil Recycling Act through an intergovernmental agency (IGA) agreement on behalf of the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE). With the cooperative efforts between MES and local governments and private organizations, the Program supports 162 convenient and reliable used motor oil collection locations throughout the state.

US Filter is the only contracted and authorized used motor oil and used antifreeze collection service for the Program. Report any unauthorized attempts to collect used oil or antifreeze from other vendors to Program Manager, Patricia Tantum.

Successful Third Quarter

The Maryland Used Motor Oil Recycling Program had a very successful third quarter. During the reporting period July 1 through September 30, 2003, the Program collected 233,000 gallons of used motor oil and 9,100 gallons of used antifreeze. The Program expects to achieve record collection results again this year.

Montgomery, Baltimore, Harford, Frederick, Prince George's and Calvert counties continue to collect large quantities of used motor oil. Keep up the good work.

These Program accomplishments could not have occurred without **you**. Program participants play an essential part in keeping hundreds of thousands of gallons of used oil and antifreeze from polluting our precious natural resources.

