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PAINT/CHEMICAL/HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY OPENS FOR SEASON

On Friday, April 1st, the Oneida Herkimer Solid Waste Authority's Household Hazardous Waste Facility (HHW) will open for its 24th season.

Unlike the Authority's Recycling Center and Eastern Transfer Station, which are open year-round, the HHW Facility operates April 1st to September 30th each year. These facilities are located at the end of Leland Ave in North Utica and are open to Oneida and Herkimer County Residents Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and on Saturdays from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There is no charge for residents to deliver paint, chemicals, or other household hazardous waste to the facility. No appointments are necessary for households.

The HHW Facility was designed to accept waste products from homes that can cause problems for our environment when discarded improperly. Examples of wastes accepted include oil-based and latex paints, pesticides, oven cleaners, and photographic chemicals. Some items, such as electronics, motor oil, propane cylinders (under 100 lbs.) and fluorescent light bulbs, are accepted year-round. There is no charge for residents to drop off these items.

Households are limited to 14 wet gallons and/or 20 dry pounds per trip. Only liquid paint is accepted. Empty paint cans or cans with hardened paint should be placed in the garbage with the lids removed.

Certain businesses may also qualify to use the facility. To obtain approval, please call Superintendent of Waste Collection William Schrader, at 733-1224 ext. 1100.

For a brochure with a list of acceptable wastes and a map to the facility, please call the Authority office at 733-1224 or visit the website at www.ohswa.org. The Authority also encourages residents and businesses to visit www.AmIRecyclable.com, which provides users with a tool to quickly search thousands of items for proper recycling and disposal methods.

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