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Hello,

Thank you for the background information in advance of EPR Producer Exemption hearings next month. This information is helpful.

For your consideration, I offer an additional source of background information.

[Management Standards for Hazardous Waste Pharmaceuticals \(and Amendment to the P075 Listing for Nicotine\)](https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2019/02/22/2019-01298/management-standards-for-hazardous-waste-pharmaceuticals-and-amendment-to-the-p075-listing-for-nicotine)

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Aug 21, 2019, the Environmental Protection Agency made effective this final rule to improve regulatory clarity and reduce regulatory burden associated with the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA).

Among other things, the rule eliminates the dual regulation of RCRA hazardous waste pharmaceuticals that are also DEA controlled substances by finalizing a conditional exemption.

It also defines when a pharmaceutical container is empty.

Since December's meetings will include pharmaceutical product packaging, I thought you may find this information relevant.

Respectfully,

Tom Pizzuto

Related links:

[CFR Title 40: Protection of Environment](https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CFR-2012-title40-vol27/xml/CFR-2012-title40-vol27-part261.xml#seqnum261.7)

<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CFR-2012-title40-vol27/xml/CFR-2012-title40-vol27-part261.xml#seqnum261.7>

[Residues of hazardous waste pharmaceuticals in empty containers](https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CFR-2021-title40-vol29/pdf/CFR-2021-title40-vol29-sec266-507.pdf)

<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CFR-2021-title40-vol29/pdf/CFR-2021-title40-vol29-sec266-507.pdf>

PART 266 – Standards for the management of specific hazardous wastes and specific types of hazardous waste management facilities

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