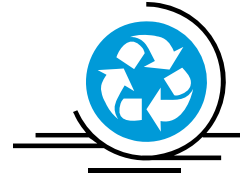


# Crandall Customer Alert

## **NC Landfill Ban Effective October 1, 2009**



The NC General Assembly has enacted a statewide landfill ban on several materials with the goal of enhancing recycling efforts, protecting the environment, and improving economic conditions in the state. The state of NC is running out of room in their landfills, and some of the materials currently being disposed of can be recycled into a wide range of products that can boost economic conditions in the state. Recently, the ban has been widened to include used vehicle oil filters, plastic bottles, and wooden pallets.

### **Currently Banned Materials:**

- Used Oil
- Yard Trash- except in approved facilities
- White Goods
- Antifreeze
- Aluminum Cans
- Whole Scrap Tires
- Lead-Acid Batteries

### **Materials Banned as of October 1, 2009:**

- Motor Vehicle Oil Filters
- Wooden Pallets- except for construction and demolition debris
- Plastic Containers

### **Materials Banned After January 1, 2011:**

- Discarded Computer Equipment
- Discarded Televisions

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## **Materials Banned October 1, 2009**

**Motor Vehicle Oil Filters:** NC generates approximately 14.3 Million oil filters each year. Each filter contains approximately 8 oz of residual oil. This residual oil adds up to 156,000 to 625, 000 gallons released into NC Landfills each year. Companies must make arrangements with private filter recycling facilities. Many of these companies also pick up used oil or other automotive recyclables. The filters are ultimately crushed and the residual oil is collected and burned for fuel or recycled into reprocessed oil. The metal is recycled as well.

**Plastic Bottles:** The ban applies to plastic bottles that have a neck smaller than the container, a method of closure (snap top, screw top, etc), and are embossed with the recycling symbol. This ban EXCLUDES plastic containers used for the sale and distribution of motor oil and other automotive fluids. It also excludes plant pesticide bottles. Many plastic containers that are used in detail departments would have to be triple-rinsed before they can be sent to the recycler.

**Wooden Pallets:** NC generates up to 250,000 to 300,000 tons of waste pallets annually. Pallets can be reused and/or recycled for mulch and fuel. Pallets can be donated to trucking/warehouse facilities, or recycled by a third party facility.

### **Enforcement**

NC is approaching the ban with the attitude of education rather than enforcement. NCDENR is strongly encouraging the citizens and businesses of North Carolina to realize the benefits of recycling and choose to do the right thing! Enforcement will not likely take place at individual dealerships or facilities, but it WILL be monitored at landfills and transfer stations. A wide range of penalties may be issued for ban violations. The only way to ensure compliance and the success of the landfill bans is to start a recycling program!

For more information or discuss recycling options please contact your Crandall Compliance Specialist at 1-800-248-4801. Please visit <http://www.p2pays.org/BannedMaterials/index.asp> for additional information.