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STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES					
SUBJECT: Used Vehicle Battery Disposal at MassDOT Highway Division Facilities				DISTRIBUTION: A	
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## **PURPOSE**

To ensure that used vehicle batteries (including lead/acid and hybrid vehicle batteries) are handled and disposed of consistent with environmental regulations (310 CMR 30, DEP Policy #BWP-95-005).

## **RESPONSIBILITY**

It is the responsibility of the District Maintenance Engineer (DME) or their designee to ensure that this SOP is adhered to.

The Environmental Management System Compliance Coordinator (ECC) will report findings from their facility inspection to the District Maintenance Engineer.

## **POLICY**

Used batteries shall be stored indoors on spill containment pallets or containers, or outdoors in an approved shelter. Batteries shall be returned to the stockroom or delivered to a qualified battery recycler, making sure to obtain a receipt.

\*CAUTION: Cracked batteries may leak corrosive or reactive substances. Proper protective equipment must be utilized when handling to avoid personal injury. Any leaking battery must be contained and disposed of as a hazardous waste.