

**SAMPLE
RIPA EMPTY CONTAINER CERTIFICATION FORM**

I hereby certify that the drums/IBCs (circle one or both) in this shipment are “empty” as that term is defined in Environmental Protection Agency regulations, 40 CFR 261.7, and that they have been properly prepared for transportation under the regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation, 49 CFR 173.29. See definitions below.

Name: _____ Position: _____

Company: _____ Date: _____

Phone: (____) _____ E-mail: _____

EPA’s 40 CFR 261.7 says: “A container...is empty if: All wastes have been removed that can be removed using the practices commonly employed to remove materials from that type of container, e.g., pouring, pumping, and aspirating,

AND

“No more than 2.5 centimeters (one inch) of residue remain on the bottom of the container...”

For residues of “P-list” products specifically listed by name in 40 CFR 261.33 (e), the container is empty only if it “...has been triple-rinsed using a solvent capable of removing the product,” or has been cleaned by another method shown to achieve equivalent removal.

DOT’s 49 CFR 173.29 says that all openings on the empty container must be closed, and that all markings and labels must be in place as if the drum were full of its original contents.

Additional requirements for IBCs:

- (1) For packagings larger than 110 gallons in size, “No more than 0.3 percent by weight of the total capacity of the packaging remains....”

Example for a 275-gallon IBC: $275 \times 0.3\% = .825$ gallon

- (2) IBCs with regulated residues inside must be shipped in a properly placarded vehicle.

Title to containers does not pass to (*company name*) until containers are unloaded and verified as empty.