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Regional Collection Facility Paint Program Ended

Macomb, Illinois, November 9, 2009 – Due to budget restraints and fund sweeps the IEPA has notified the Regional Collection Facility that the Partners For Waste Paint Solutions program will end this 2009 year. The Regional Facility ended its paint collections in October 2009, BUT, continues to look for a solution for collecting paint during the winter months and will make an announcement in Spring of 2010 as to the results for finding an alternative for the collection of unused residential paint. The Facility staff met with local legislators Senator Sullivan and Representative Myers and pleaded the case to reinstate funding to this environmentally sound program. The legislators have asked to hear from YOU! Please email or write them asking for their help to keep this program and all the other IEPA programs alive.

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The Facility's drop-off sites in Fulton, Hancock, Henry, Knox, Mercer, Warren and Schuyler counties have also closed.

The Regional Collection Facility is sponsored in part by the Tri-County Resource & Waste Management Council (TCR&WMC), the Western Illinois Regional Council, and area public and private partnerships.

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