Number 1 Plastics — PET or PETE (Polyethylene Terephthalate)

Examples: Soda and water bottles; mouthwash bottles; peanut butter containers; salad dressing and vegetable oil containers; etc.

Recycling: Plastic containers with a recycling symbol are collected in your blue recycling container.

Recycled Into: Polar fleece fiber, tote bags, furniture, carpet, paneling, and occasionally made into new plastic containers.

Number 2 Plastics — HDPE (High Density Polyethylene)

Examples: Milk jugs, juice bottles; bleach, detergent and household cleaner bottles; shampoo bottles; some trash and shopping bags; motor oil bottles; cereal box liners; etc.

Recycling: Plastic containers with a recycling symbol are collected in your blue recycling container, EXCEPT PLASTIC BAGS, please do not place plastic bags in your blue curbside recycling can.

Recycled Into: Detergent bottles, recycling containers, floor tile, drainage pipe, benches, picnic tables, fencing

Number 3 Plastics — PVC (Polyvinyl Chloride)

Examples: Window cleaner and detergent bottles, shampoo bottles, clear food packaging, wire jacketing, medical equipment, siding, windows, piping; etc.

Number 4 Plastics — LDPE (Low Density Polyethylene)

Examples: Squeezable bottles; bread, dry cleaning and shopping bags; tote bags; carpet; etc.

Number 5 Plastics — PP (Polypropylene)

Examples: Syrup bottles, ketchup bottles, straws, medicine bottles; etc.

Number 6 Plastics — PS (Polystyrene)

Examples: Disposable plates and cups, meat trays, egg cartons, carry-out containers, aspirin bottles, compact disc cases; etc.

Number 7 Plastics — Other

Examples: 3 and 5 gallon water bottles, ‘bullet-proof’ materials, sunglasses, DVDs, iPod and computer cases, signs and displays, nylon; etc.

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