

## RE: JEA Dental Amalgam Best Management Practices (BMP) One-Time Certification

Dear Dentist/ Dental Office Manager:

In accordance with the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Dental Amalgam Rule which went into effect **July 14, 2020**, JEA has implemented the *JEA Best Management Practices (BMP) for Mercury Waste Management in Dental Offices*. This program outlines proper amalgam/mercury handling and disposal practices required for dental offices to prevent the introduction of hazardous mercury containing materials into the environment through the wastewater collection system. This program requires a one-time certification statement of how mercury containing materials are handled in your practice. As long as the rule is applicable to your practice, you will be required to keep the certification statement on file and make it available for inspection by authorized JEA personnel. Facilities must also retain all maintenance records and waste manifests associated with amalgam for a period of three (3) years.

JEA understands that many dental facilities no longer utilize or regularly handle mercury in the form of dental amalgam. If you are a new facility in the JEA service territory you are required to submit a one-time compliance certification form within 90 days of your first discharge. All new facilities must comply with the EPA's Dental Amalgam Rule and JEA BMP prior to initial discharge.

- Please note that this form is separate from the similar JEA Silver CMP Certification which covers X-ray and photographic chemical disposal.
- Affected Materials under this program: dental amalgam, mercury waste, and/or amalgam contaminated filter traps
- If a disposal event occurred in calendar year, include with the certification statement a legible copy of the waste disposal manifest showing disposal facility, disposal date, and amount of material disposed.
- Allowed Signatory: Dental practice owner, or an authorized office manager.
- Submission Method: mail or email (see bottom of form for details).

The entire JEA best management practices program may be reviewed on our website: https://www.jea.com/About/Wastewater/Industrial\_Pretreatment/Mercury\_Waste\_Management\_in\_Dental\_Offices.aspx

Should you have any questions concerning the compliance requirements for the JEA *BMP for Mercury Waste Management in Dental Offices* program, please call me at 904-665-6716 or email WALDZW@JEA.com

Sincerely,

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