

Letter to Associates Rigid Plastics Recycling - Program Announcement

Beginning Date Here our store will begin Piloting a new additional recycling practice to demonstrate how we can easily recycle rigid plastic containers and lids primarily from deli, bakery and seafood departments, as well as pharmacy, where applicable.

The new Pilot will be referred to as Rigid Plastics Recycling. The purpose of the Pilot is to help us understand potential new benefits for our company - should we decide to move forward and roll out to all stores at the conclusion of the Pilot.

Advantages to the company are many, including reduced waste disposal costs, potential new recycling revenue combined with higher recycling rates for the store - key to helping achieve our waste reduction goals.

What's in it for our store? In addition to above economic benefits:

- Communities benefit from reduced waste going to disposal sites
- Rigid plastic buckets, and certain bottles are valuable to recyclers and supermarkets generate many containers each week
- "Doing the right thing" complements our sustainability commitment

Thank you for supporting this important effort to Pilot recycling of "Rigids."

