

“Assured Destruction” Ensures Proper Disposal of Pharmaceutical Wastes.

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Pharmaceutical products must be manufactured under tightly controlled conditions to ensure consistent quality and safety. Likewise, the disposal of pharmaceutical waste must be done via processes that are highly systematic and monitored to ensure the safety of both the general public and the employees of the waste services provider.

Schering-Plough is one of America’s leading manufacturers of both prescription and over-the-counter (OTC) pharmaceuticals. Headquartered in Kenilworth, New Jersey, the company manufactures a broad line of products ranging from allergy and respiratory medications to cardiovascular drugs and veterinary products. Its consumer and OTC brands include Coppertone, Bain de Soleil, Solarcaine, Claritin and Coricidin D.



program in early 2000 to include special waste from eight company locations, including facilities in Puerto Rico. Today, Waste Management manages all of Schering-Plough’s pharmaceutical waste handling in the United States.

Wheelabrator’s “assured destruction” service, which involves thermally destroying wastes in special furnaces at temperatures up to 2,500 degrees F, offers significant benefits to Schering-Plough, including:

- Indemnification and liability protection
- Detailed documentation, including manifesting and certificates of destruction
- Assurance that off-spec and/or out-of-date products will not reach consumers
- The peace of mind that comes from Wheelabrator’s superior environmental and safety record

Because Waste Management also continues to handle its solid waste collection and disposal, Schering-Plough benefits from a consolidated billing report and the efficiencies of a single point-of-contact.

When it comes to handling the challenges associated with pharmaceutical waste, Wheelabrator is strong medicine.

From everyday collection to environmental protection, Think Green. Think Waste Management.

“We look forward to the continued expansion of our business relationship based upon quality services, competitive pricing and continuous improvement.”

**Robert Pernel
Strategic Sourcing
Manager
Schering-Plough**

Since the mid 1990s, Waste Management has been providing solid waste collection and disposal services to Schering-Plough’s New Jersey offices and manufacturing facilities. In the late 1990s, the company asked Waste Management to also handle the special waste generated at its New Jersey locations, including off-spec and expired consumer packaged goods, prescription

products and production waste. Requiring special handling and documentation, these wastes were taken to Waste Management’s Wheelabrator waste-to-energy plant in Baltimore, Md., for high-temperature thermal destruction.

Impressed with Waste Management’s professionalism and the “assured destruction” the Wheelabrator process provides, Schering-Plough expanded its



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