

## **Alkaline Batteries**

In 2004, the Mercer County Improvement Authority (MCIA) notified the Township in writing that they were doing away with the battery recycling program. Since Mercury is no longer used in the production of batteries, they no longer pose a threat to the environment and can be thrown away with your household trash.

## **Button Cell Batteries**

Most button cell batteries still contain mercury. These batteries can be brought to Robbinsville Township Public Works, Senior Center, and Tax Office or to the Mercer County Chemical Waste Disposal Day or a battery drop-off site.

If you believe you are in possession of a battery that contains Mercury or have additional questions about the program, please contact the MCIA at 609-278-8100.

## **Batteries that are rechargeable are recyclable.**

- .Nickel Cadmium (Ni-Cd)
- .Nickel Metal Hydride (Ni-MH)
- .Lithium Ion (Li-ion)
- .Nickel Zinc (Ni-Zn)
- .Small Sealed Lead (SSLA-Pb)
- \*Weighing less than 11lbs. each\*

Rechargeable batteries can be found in cordless power tools, cellular and cordless phones, laptop computers, digital cameras, two-way radios, camcorders, and remote control toys. These batteries sometimes look like regular alkaline batteries. The label on the battery will indicate if it is rechargeable.

## **Preparing Batteries for Recycling**

For increased safety when transporting rechargeable batteries, the Federal Department of Transportation (DOT) has enacted new regulations which require special preparations before batteries are transported. **Residents must either individually bag each battery or place a piece of tape on each of the terminal ends.**