

Tentative Specification for 'Trash Bags'

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Background

In April of 2018 a tentative specification for Trash Bags was approved by the Interagency Committee. Comments on the tentative specification were received from Underwriter's Laboratory (UL), suggesting a link update, an updated UL EcoLogo definition, and recommending that we list UL 126 as strong or preferred.

In response to these comments, the following changes were made to the specification:

- The link to the UL EcoLogo-certified product webpage on pages 2 and 5 were corrected.
- The UL EcoLogo language in the "Standard Setting and Certification Programs" section was revised to incorporate language offered in UL's comments.

Regarding the recommendation to include UL Ecologo 126 as a strong or preferred certification, we did not make changes. The specification merely encourages procurement of products where recycled content, and environmental/health attributes have been verified by an independent entity. The UL Ecologo 126 is referenced as an example of an independent entity along with several others. Since this provision is merely an encouragement we do not see the need to include these entities in categories of strong or preferred.