



### Who We Are

Strong Pharmaceutical Services, a division of Strong Environmental, Inc. (a Stericycle company), is the leading provider of destruction services to the pharmaceutical industry. Our experienced professionals manage and ensure the appropriate witnessed destruction of DEA controlled substances, as well as proper disposition of RCRA hazardous and non-hazardous finished goods and manufacturing wastes. When we take control of waste materials at your shipping dock, they become our full responsibility.

### Strong Pharmaceutical Services: Secure Pharmaceutical Destruction Solutions

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### Case Studies

## DEA C-I Controlled Substance Destruction

#### PROBLEM

A Fortune 100 company was faced with closure of one of its manufacturing facilities. It was determined one of the materials held in inventory was C4 Free Amine (2,5-Dimethoxy-Alpha-Methyl Benzeneethanamine), a C-I controlled substance. DEA required destruction of the material within five days of facility closure.

#### SOLUTION

DEA C-I controlled substances are materials for which there is no medicinal value, or are classified as an illegal drug. Unfamiliar with the stringent C-I regulatory requirements, and under recommendation from DEA, the manufacturer contacted Strong to provide experience and expertise in managing the destruction of the material. Strong's status as a Reverse Distributor, as authorized by the DEA, allows us to take ownership of and destroy C-I materials.

### Conquering Obstacles

After a review of the MSDS and other documents, Strong determined that the material requiring destruction was not only a C-I controlled substance, but was also classified as EPA acutely toxic. Extensive services provided included:

- Classifying waste according to EPA, DOT, and DEA standards.
- Profiling the waste into the incinerator for rush approval.
- Preparing Forms 222 and Controlled Substance Transfer Schedule Forms 41.

- Scheduling logistics with a DEA- and DOT-approved transporter.
- Mobilizing to customer location, and subsequently to incinerator for witnessed destruction.
- Working as the liaison between the customer and DEA to ensure that proper protocol was followed.

### Destruction Process

The SPS team of trained professionals arrived on site within 24 hours of initial notice. Due to the highly toxic nature of this material, and processing constraints of the incinerator, repackaging of the material into one liter containers was required for direct incineration.

- Packaging requirements were completed and reviewed.
- Legal ownership transfer of the C-I from the customer to SPS took place at the time the transport vehicle was loaded.
- SPS provided secured transportation of the material directly from the manufacturer's site to the incinerator.
- Witnessed destruction of the material began once the transporter arrived at the incinerator with the product.
- The entire process was digitally recorded from beginning to end, as part of Strong's normal protocol.

### Successful Conclusion

SPS worked closely with the customer, DEA, DOT, and EPA to effectively transfer ownership, transport, and incinerate this product promptly and efficiently.