



DATE: April 17, 2020
TO: Depot Network
RE: **Hand Sanitizer Containers**

The BCMB would like to thank depots for your efforts to continue operating, where possible, during the COVID-19 pandemic. Your hard work in supporting your communities and ensuring the safest possible environment as Albertans return their beverage containers is appreciated.

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to be a threat, some manufacturers are using their beverage manufacturing lines to manufacture hand sanitizer. The hand sanitizer is being put into the same containers that would normally hold beverages. These containers are marked with the word “sanitizer” and will have not had a deposit or CRF paid on them as they are not part of the beverage container system.

Due to the type of container the hand sanitizer is in, you may see the containers being returned to your depot. Depot staff should be as vigilant as possible in identifying these containers as non-deposit containers. They are not eligible for a refund and have not been registered with the BCMB.

We greatly appreciate your efforts to continue to protect Alberta’s beverage container deposit system during this unprecedented time.

If you have any questions, please direct them to Melissa Malin, Registrations Administrator II, at 780-424-3193 x234 or 1-888-424-7671, or by email mmalin@bcmb.ab.ca .

