

RADIO GUESTING AT 95.9 RADYO TOTOO DWAL FM: OCTOBER 15, 2018

On October 15, 2018, EMB CALABARZON Region joined the live airing of Radyo Totoo, DWAL FM 95.9 hosted by Mr. Renz Belda and Ms. Carissa Hornilla in Batangas City to celebrate the International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week 2018.

Ms. Marie Junn Cuasing, Chemical and Hazardous Waste Permitting Chief, enlightened the listeners about where lead is commonly found and what specific law regulates use of lead. According to Ms. Cuasing, one of the main sources of lead in CALABARZON Region is found in used batteries.

"Pursuant to Chemical Control Order for Lead and Lead Compounds issued in 2013, the use of lead shall be strictly prohibited in the production/manufacturing of packaging materials for food and drink, fuel additives, toys, school supplies, cosmetics and paints," Ms. Cuasing said.

Proper disposal and harmful effects on the other hand were discussed by Engr. John Christopher Emalada, Engineer I. "Lead Acid Batteries must be disposed on treatment storage and disposal facilities with DENR permits," said Engr. Emalada. He also said that oral ingestion and inhalation of lead can cause brain damage, kidney damage and heart damage.

The objective of International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week is to raise awareness about the effects of lead poisoning and to reduce and eliminate risks from use of lead.

Engr. Emalada also took the opportunity to encourage listeners to practice proper disposal of lead to avoid harmful effects in our bodies and to the environment while Ms. Cuasing reminded listeners to be responsible in disposing their waste materials.

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Mr. Renz Belda and Ms. Carissa Hornilla with Engr. John Christopher Emalada and Ms. Marie Junn Cuasing.

