Empty Hazardous Chemical Container Flowchart

For a hazardous chemical container to be considered empty:

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<th>Liquids</th>
<th>No liquid can drain from the container when tilted in any direction.</th>
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<td>Solids</td>
<td>The walls of the container must be scraped clean and cannot contain any adhered or encrusted materials. Solids include powder, sludge, grease, thick resin, crystals, etc.</td>
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<td>Aerosols</td>
<td>Must have the contents and pressure completely dispensed, the spray mechanism in place and functional.</td>
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Disposal of hazardous materials and waste using sinks, drains, intentional evaporation, or as regular trash is against the law.

Follow the flowchart to appropriately manage your empty containers.

Did the container hold an acutely or extremely hazardous material?

- No
- Is the container greater than 5 gallons?
  - No
  - Is the container a full or partially full aerosol spray can?
    - No
    - Is the container a lecture bottle or a non-refillable cylinder?
      - Cross out the chemical name and any hazard warnings with a permanent marker, write the word “EMPTY” on the container and dispose of the container in the trash.
      - Refillable cylinders must be returned to the manufacturer.
    - Yes
      - Dispose of the container as a hazardous chemical waste. Submit a Text a Pickup or Chemical Waste Collection.