## **LETTERS**

## Get the lead out

Where is common sense? The Penske Truck Leasing Co. was hauling 1,248 lead-lined cathode ray tubes in 1997. Penske knew the CRTs were classified as hazardous waste if they break. The truck wrecked on Interstate 35. Penske told firefighters, Department of Public Service officers and Texas Disposal Systems that it was not hazardous waste.

TDS began accepting the waste. Four hours later, Penske and Zenith alerted authorities that it is hazardous waste. TDS immediately stopped taking the waste because it is not permitted to accept it.

Penske and Zenith are 100 percent responsible for getting their hazardous waste out of TDS' facility and properly disposed of in a facility permitted for hazardous waste.

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