



## CANADIAN EPR UPDATES

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PAC NEXT presents the third quarterly issue to provide members with updates on Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) legislation for Printed Paper and Packaging (PPP) in Canada.

### **Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment (CCME) Release 2014 Progress Report**

In October 2009, The CCME approved a Canada-wide Action Plan for Extended Producer Responsibility (CAP-EPR) where jurisdictions committed towards the development of EPR legislation across Canada. The 2014 [Progress Report on the CAP-EPR](#) highlights commitments, including Packaging and Printed Materials in Phase 1 by 2015, as well as some challenges, including the issue of harmonization, delays in implementation of EPR programs and slow progress in certain categories. The communique released by ministers after the meeting said, "Governments will also continue to implement extended producer responsibility as agreed under the Canada-wide Action Plan for Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) adopted by ministers in 2009." The report also concludes, "EPR as one approach to increase waste diversion will continue to play an important role in Canada in the years to come."

### **Industry-Financed Curbside Recycling Programs Launched in More BC Communities**

On May 19, 2014, MMBC assumed responsibility for residential curbside, multi-family, and depot recycling programs in many areas across BC as a result of changes made to the provincial Recycling Regulation to shift responsibility for end-of-life management of packaging and printed paper from governments and their taxpayers to the businesses that produce these materials. In the past few months, communities that now accept MMBC materials have expanded to include Anmore, University Endowment Lands, Prince George, Smithers and Area, and depots in Tofino and Ucluelet. Stay tuned for more updates [here](#).

### **Membership Agreement for Multi-Material Stewardship Western Now Available**

The MMSW program officially launches on January 1, 2015. MMSW continues its preparations with municipal partners and is reviewing stewards' reports and calculating 2015 fees. Check out their new website [here](#) for updates.

### **Multi-Material Stewardship Manitoba Releases Annual Report for 2013**

Multi-Material Stewardship Manitoba (MMSM) is a not-for-profit industry-funded organization that develops, implements and operates waste diversion programs for designated packaging and printed paper in Manitoba. Industry stewards are responsible for 80% of the net costs of efficient recycling programs in Manitoba. In their latest [annual report for 2013](#), MMSM reports that the province has achieved a 46.7% reduction in the number of plastic bags used annually since 2010. MMSM also reports an impressive 11.7% increase of recycling tonnage collected in 2013.



### **Stewardship Ontario Encourages Residents to Recycle More Paper**

Stewardship Ontario is encouraging residents to recycle more paper products through a new advertising campaign. Their aim is to capture more materials such as cardboard toilet paper rolls and boxboard packaging for items such as toothpaste or soap, which are often neglected as residents tend to leave these in the bathroom garbage instead of bringing them to their blue box. Click to listen to their radio ads for the [toilet paper roll](#) and [toothpaste tube box](#).

## Éco Entreprises Québec (ÉEQ) Makes Revisions to the Financing Formula

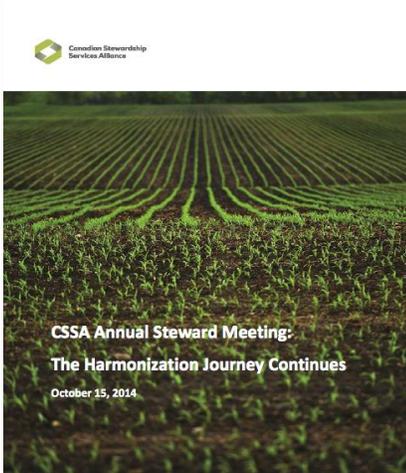
The September 30<sup>th</sup> deadline has passed for company report submissions according to ÉEQ's Schedule of Contributions, which can be found [here](#).

ÉEQ is in the process of [revising the financing formula](#) and continues to follow a participatory process by meeting with government authorities, packaging manufacturers and European eco-organizations.



## Canadian Stewardship Services Alliance to Hold Second Annual Steward Meeting

On Wednesday, October 15, the CSSA will hold their second Annual Steward Meeting via webinar or in-person at International Plaza Hotel & Conference Centre in Toronto, Ontario. CSSA and its family of recycling organizations, Multi-Material BC (MMBC), Multi-Material Stewardship Western (MMSW), Multi-Material Stewardship Manitoba (MMSM), and Stewardship Ontario (SO), will provide updates on stewardship activities in Canada over the last year, present the fee schedules for 2015, and give the opportunity for attendees to have their questions answered. The CSSA has made available a [pre-read document](#) in preparation for the meeting. Click [here](#) to register.



## HELPFUL LINKS

BC

<http://multimaterialbc.ca/notices-archive>

Alberta

<http://esrd.alberta.ca/waste/>

<https://www.recycle.ab.ca/public-policy>

Saskatchewan

<http://www.mmsk.ca/notices-alerts>

Manitoba

<http://stewardshipmanitoba.org/mmsm/whats-new/>

Ontario

<http://www.stewardshipontario.ca/latest-news/>

<http://www.wdo.ca/news/>

<https://www.rco.on.ca/wra-overview--timeline>

Quebec

<http://www.ecoentreprises.qc.ca/news-and-events>

Nova Scotia

<http://www.novascotia.ca/nse/waste/>

Canadian Stewardship Services Alliance

<http://www.cssalliance.ca/latest-news>

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