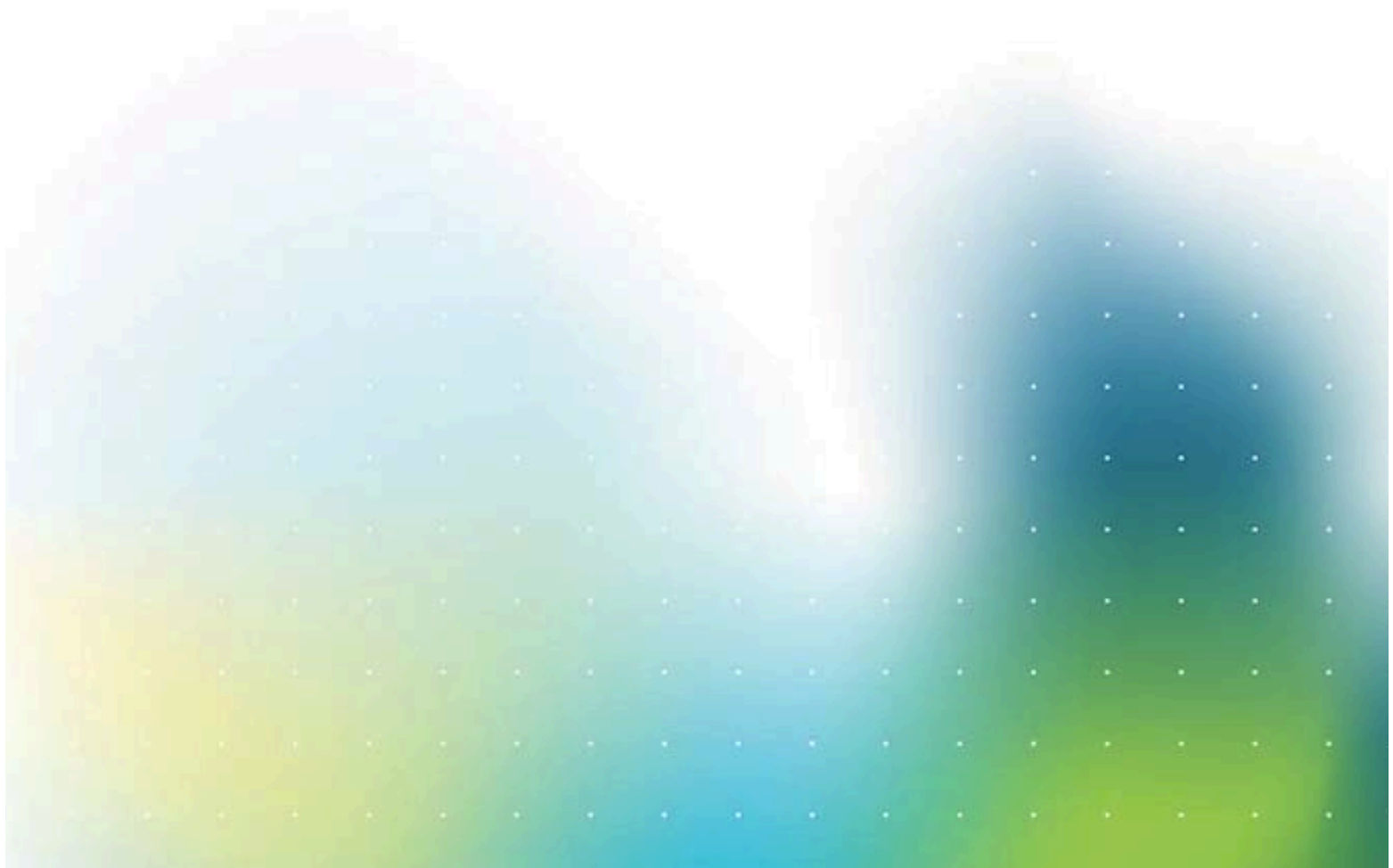




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INTRODUCTION

PAC NEXT is proud to present this second quarterly issue to provide members with updates on Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) legislation for Printed Paper and Packaging (PPP) in Canada.

Industry-Financed Recycling Services Begin Across BC



On May 19th, a [milestone was reached for recycling](#) in the province of British Columbia as organizations, collectors and communities worked to deliver a blue box residential recycling to service 88 communities comprised of 1.25 million households, totaling 185,000 tonnes of packaging and printed paper material after it has been collected from curbside households, multi-family buildings and depots across the province. The aim is to increase recycling rates from 53% to 75%, as twenty communities including 13 BC First Nations will be receiving curbside blue box recycling for the first time.

Green by Nature EPR (GBN), the organization responsible for managing the processing and marketing of PPP materials, [engaged nearly 30 subcontractors](#) - leaders in recycling in their local communities - to be part of the team to manage the post-collections system for Multi-Material BC's (MMBC) residential packaging and printed paper recycling program.

Beginning on May 2nd, MMBC launched an advertising campaign to educate people about the new program and the new materials that can be recycled, including milk cartons, plant pots, aluminum foil packaging, aerosol containers, and plastic and paper take-out drink cups. Advertisements appear in local newspapers, on radio and TV, and online. Residents are encouraged to visit <http://www.RecyclingInBC.ca> to find out more about what they can recycle in their local community.

Membership Agreement for Multi-Material Stewardship Western Now Available

As a business resident or a voluntary steward in Saskatchewan, wanting to participate in MMSW's approved packaging and printed paper program requires to sign a membership agreement with Multi-Material Stewardship Western (MMSW). MMSW has made the Membership Agreement available on their [website](#). MMSW held a webinar on June 6th to provide reporting guidance for Saskatchewan businesses and help stewards prepare their material reports. The webinar recording, Q&A and [presentation](#) are available [here](#).

Stewardship Ontario Releases Program Performance and 2013 Annual Report

Stewardship Ontario [released numbers for their program performance](#) and funding, as well as expenses. In 2013, Stewardship Ontario's Blue Box program collected over 890,000 tonnes of recyclables. Businesses pay 50% of the costs of the Blue Box Program for residential recycling, and in 2013 alone, they contributed nearly \$140 million towards recycling programs in Ontario. For more information, or to review the achievements of Stewardship Ontario in 2013, read their Annual Report, available at <http://2013.stewardshipontario.ca>.



Waste Diversion Ontario (WDO) agreed to Stewardship Ontario's request to submit to a formal dispute resolution process (the "DRP") with respect to Stewardship Ontario's Management Services Agreement with Canadian Stewardship Services Alliance (CSSA). Read the letter from the WDO CEO to the Stewardship Ontario Managing Director that outlines the next steps in the DRP [here](#).

Latest News from Éco Entreprises Québec

ÉEQ [announced](#) that they will take part with researchers from CREATE (Centre de Recherche en économie de l'Environnement, de l'Agroalimentaire, des Transports et de l'Énergie) regarding a comparative study on the effectiveness of deposit vs. the curbside recycling systems relating to the recovery of drink containers. ÉEQ recently updated their website and also received first prize in the Innovation category in the Entreprises citoyennes competition organized by Novae for the creation of their [OptimEco.ca](#) portal. According to ÉEQ's Schedule of Contributions, reporting for 2014 begins this month where dates can be found [here](#).

Nova Scotia Environment Proposes Changes to Solid Waste Regulations



Nova Scotia Environment is proposing changes to the provincial solid waste regulations to keep the programs efficient and sustainable, to provide a high level of environmental protection and to create economic opportunities in the province. The public discussion paper titled, 'Revising Our Path Forward: A public discussion document' can be accessed [here](#). Comments on the proposed changes can be made via their [online consultation form](#) and will be accepted until **August 1, 2014**. Note that PAC NEXT has provided input and in particular, highlighted the principles of the PAC NEXT Way - see video link [here](#).

Canadian Stewardship Services Alliance Provides Useful Tools to Submit Reports

The Canadian Stewardship Services Alliance (CSSA) provided [key dates](#) to submit reports for the various stewardship programs across Canada. In addition to the [National Material List](#) and [Portal User Guide](#), the CSSA developed the [National Guidebook](#) titled, 'A Guide to Help Businesses Meet Their Packaging and Printed Paper Recycling Obligations in Canada' to provide helpful hints and tips for reporting.

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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