

# Developing the Amended Blue Box Program Plan: In Discussion with Ontario Waste Management Industry

As current subcontractors to Ontario local governments and as future collection subcontractors and post-collection processors of collected residential recycling, your feedback and suggestions are essential as we develop our proposal for an amended Blue Box Program Plan (a-BBPP).

On Friday, October 27, please join us to review and discuss proposed a-BBPP features that will specifically pertain to the waste management industry.

We are dedicated to ensuring the a-BBPP proposal is developed in a consultative and collaborative manner that fosters two-way conversation. Over the coming months, waste management companies will be invited to provide feedback on the features of the plan that pertain to them.

The October 27 meeting will be an opportunity for us to gather your initial feedback and discuss:

- Requirements from the <u>Minister's Letter</u> that will be of special interest to waste management companies and details about the consultation process.
- The proposed transition process and timelines, including Stewardship Ontario's proposed methods to ensure a fair competitive market.
- The proposed criteria for setting a standardized list of targeted materials for collection.
- The proposed material specific management targets, along with the proposed measurement approach.
- The proposed approach to expanding services, including multi-family units not currently serviced by municipalities, and consideration of new communities and public space recycling.
- The proposed collection and management standards.
- And more ...

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**Date:** Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017

#### Time:

10:00 – 12:30 p.m. Eastern 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. Central

## Location:

Online via webcast or in-person at the Best Western PLUS Toronto Airport, 5825 Dixie Rd., Mississauga, ON L4W 4V7.

#### **Background**

On August 14, 2017 the Ontario Minister of Environment and Climate Change, Hon. Chris Ballard issued a <u>letter</u> pursuant to s.13 of the *Waste Diversion Transition Act, 2016 (WDTA)* directing the Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority (the Authority) and Stewardship Ontario to prepare an a-BBPP by February 15, 2018. The amended Plan will transition the program from its current shared cost model to full producer responsibility. For more information on the a-BBPP initiative, <u>click here</u>.

The discussion and feedback gathered from this meeting will help Stewardship Ontario draft a proposal for an a-BBPP. The draft a-BBPP proposal will be sent out to waste management companies in December for further review and feedback, before being finalized and submitted to the Authority for approval. The final proposal, if approved by the Authority, will then be submitted to the Minister before the February 15, 2018 deadline.

If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer James at jjames@stewardshipontario.ca.

Kind regards, Stewardship Ontario