



## **Saskatchewan Association for Resource Recovery Corp.**

### **RECYCLING PROGRAM BRIEF**

#### **BACKGROUND**

- The Saskatchewan Association for Resource Recovery Corp. (SARRC) is a non-profit corporation formed by the oil, filter, antifreeze and diesel exhaust fluid (DEF) industry in Saskatchewan to develop, implement and maintain a single, cost-effective, province-wide Used Oil, Filter, Antifreeze and Container Recycling Program. The Board of Directors has representatives from industry, government and the public.
- As part of the program, all oil, oil and diesel fuel filter, antifreeze and diesel exhaust fluid marketers must remit an Environmental Handling Charge (EHC) to SARRC on the first sale of these products in Saskatchewan.
- The EHCs are an additional cost to these marketers in serving their customers' needs. The EHCs may flow through to consumers, but the manner in which the EHCs are handled may vary. Some retailers may show the cost separately on the shelf and on the invoice; others may simply add it into the shelf price.
- All EHCs collected by SARRC are dedicated to the collection, management and recycling of these materials through the Used Oil, Filter, Antifreeze and Container Recycling Program.

#### **PROGRAM SYNOPSIS**

- EHCs are set and collected by SARRC as part of the program to manage these materials.
- All EHCs collected are used to encourage the collection and processing of used oil and antifreeze materials through a Return Incentive (RI) program for collectors and processors of these materials. The RIs include a variable freight component that provides equal incentive to collectors throughout the province.
- The Recycling Program does not include a refundable deposit because:
  - 1) Program costs would be significantly higher
  - 2) High used oil material return rates have been achieved across Canada with Return Incentive (RI) programs
  - 3) It encourages adding contaminants to increase returned volumes
  - 4) It could create a health concern if groups like Scouts or Girl Guides and others use this for fund-raising.
- The Recycling Program encourages the development of used oil and antifreeze collection facilities for the use of consumers. In addition to the province-wide collection network of 34 Used Oil, Filter, Antifreeze & Container EcoCentres, nearly 200 independent locations also accept used oil and antifreeze materials from consumers due to the reduced cost of disposal through the Return Incentive program for collectors.

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