

August 30, 2018

Dear Members:

**Re: Solid Waste Management Strategy & Regulations Red Tape Review**

The Ministry of Environment, in its 2018/19 Operational Plan, made a commitment to implementing a solid waste management strategy in collaboration with the solid waste advisory committee, partners and stakeholders. The Ministry is also slated to undertake a red tape review of *The Municipal Refuse Management Regulations* (MRMR) and present options to the Red Tape Committee in February 2019 on how to reduce red tape barriers for clients, and implement measures to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of the regulations.

In early summer 2018, the Minister of Environment established the Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee – please see the attachment for members and their associated biographies. The Advisory Committee has been tasked with leading the development and implementation of a public consultation plan with a representative sample of relevant stakeholders to inform the direction of the strategy and identify potential changes to MRMR, taking into consideration the work that has already been done to date by the Ministry. The work of the Advisory Committee will culminate in the submission of reports with recommendations to the Minister to inform – (1) the finalization of the strategy; and (2) the reduction of red tape related to the MRMR.

As part of this process, the Advisory Committee will be engaging with a representative sample of municipalities, regional waste management authorities, private sector and recycling organizations to gain their perspectives, feedback and input on the draft Solid Waste Management Strategy. If your municipality would like to provide feedback through a written submission, please contact Rachelle Holterman at [rholterman@mncair.ca](mailto:rholterman@mncair.ca) for the form.

In addition, we are asking municipalities to participate in providing their feedback regarding the red tape review on *The Municipal Refuse Management Regulations*. To complete this survey, please click on the link below.

<https://ca.surveygizmo.com/s3/50034032/Municipal-Refuse-Management-Regulations-Red-Tape-Review>

Through this process, we look forward to sharing recommendations with the Minister in March 2019.

Sincerely,



Richard (Porky) Porter  
Chair, Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee

## SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### **RICHARD (PORKY) PORTER – CHAIR:**

Richard (Porky) Porter, has held a variety of committee and advisory positions which brings strong experience and perspective to the Advisory Committee table in his role as Chair. Porky held the roles of Reeve and Councillor of the RM of Canwood for 15 years. During his time as Reeve, he led the development of the Highway 55 Waste Management Corporation and regional landfill. He supported developing the only Specific Risk Material (SRM) pit in Saskatchewan. Porky has been a SARM director in the past and a part of numerous committees dealing with strategic provincial issues including Advisory Committee Chair for the Saskatchewan Scrap Tire Management Program Review, Chair for the Clearing the Path Initiative in association with the Ministry of Highways & Infrastructure, Chair of the Fundraising Committee for Long-Term Care and Hospital in Shellbrook for 15 years and Chair of the Area Transportation Planning Committees across the province.

### **GORDON BARNHART:**

Gordon Barnhart was raised in Saltcoats and educated at the University of Regina and the University of Saskatchewan. He is a historian and was Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, Clerk of the Canadian Senate, and taught and held several administrative positions at the U of S including Interim President. Gordon was Lieutenant Governor from 2006-2012. In 2007, Gordon was named one of the University of Saskatchewan's 100 Alumni of Influence. In 2013, he was awarded the Peter Lougheed Award for Leadership in Public Policy. In 2014, he became a Member of the Order of Canada. Gordon is currently a Councillor for the Town of Saltcoats and President of the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association.

### **DAN CUGNET:**

Dan Cugnet is a Saskatchewan based businessman and entrepreneur and currently the Chairman of Valleyview Petroleum Ltd., a privately owned oil and gas producer. He has also founded Goliath Disposal and Recycling in 2010 and served as its chair until June 2017. He was appointed to the board of Tinkerine Studios (TTD.V) in September 2017, one of Canada's leading companies in 3D printing software, hardware and education. Dan has founded and operated numerous businesses in diverse industries including assisted living facilities, green energy, real estate development and oil and gas service companies, exploration and development. Dan is also a Founding Director of the Weyburn and District Hospital Foundation, was elected Councillor in the Rural Municipality of Weyburn in the 2016 election, as well as being appointed to the City of Weyburn Environmental Committee. Dan continues to farm and ranch in partnership with his three brothers and mother in the Weyburn area.

### **RENNIE HARPER:**

Rennie Harper is the Mayor of the Town of Nipawin. Rennie serves as the Secretary Treasurer on the Board of Directors of the Boreal Area Regional Waste Authority Inc. (BARWA). BARWA is a regional landfill operated by six partner municipalities including the Town of Nipawin, Village of Codette, RM of Nipawin #488, Resort Village of Tobin Lake, RM of Connaught #456 and the Village of Aylsham. Rennie is also Co-Chair of the Regional Planning Commission known as Twin Lake Development Planning Commission comprised of nine partner municipalities. In addition to her experience in the development of a regional landfill organization, Rennie brings experience in the areas of community development, governance, strategic planning and health care.

**RANDALL JOHNSON:**

Randall Johnson owns and operates TJ Disposals Ltd., a company established in 2008 and operated in Shellbrook, Saskatchewan. TJ Disposals provides efficient garbage disposal and recycling options for customers. They currently serve Shellbrook and surrounding areas such as Parkside, Leask, Marcellin, Blaine Lake, Hafford, Radisson, Canwood, Shell Lake, Holbein, Prince Albert, Sturgeon Lake, Spruce Home, Christopher Lake, etc.

**RAY ORB:**

Ray Orb is the President of the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities. In his role as SARM President, he sits on a variety of related committees which Ray will bring perspective from including the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Municipal Forum, Municipal Sector Strategic Plan, SARM Environment Committee and the Western Canada Municipal Organization. Ray is also the Reeve of the Rural Municipality of Cupar. He owns a farm in the Cupar district and lives in the Town of Cupar. Ray has completed training through the Municipal Leadership Development Program and the Pacific Institute. He received governance training through the Rotman's School of Management at the University of Toronto and Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy at the University of Regina.

**COMMITTEE SUPPORT:**

McNair Business Development Inc. has been engaged to provide coordination and delivery support to the Advisory Committee throughout this process. Rachelle Holterman is the primary contact for the public consultation activities.