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HHW consultation underway in MB -- Product Care appoints MB representative

[Green Manitoba](#) Eco Solutions is coordinating public consultations on proposed HHW Stewardship Regulations. The list of products is:

- ▶ Consumer paint
- ▶ Automotive antifreeze
- ▶ Automotive lead acid batteries
- ▶ Pharmaceuticals
- ▶ Fluorescent lighting
- ▶ Pesticides
- ▶ Other HHW

Product Care is actively involved in the Manitoba HHW consultation process. Product Care has strengthened its presence in Manitoba by the appointment of **Mike Fernandes** as Product Care's provincial representative. Mike is Winnipeg based and has many years of experience in product stewardship in that province.

The consultation period ends November 13, 2007. To view the draft regulations and guidelines go to: [Manitoba HHW Draft Regulation](#).

Alberta Proceeding with Paint Program

The Alberta government issued a ["Paint and Paint Container Designation Regulation"](#) on Sept. 19, 2007. The [Backgrounder](#) issued by Alberta Environment stipulates April 1, 2008 as the start date of the program. The definition of paint products included in the program appears to be the same as for the products included in the BC, SK and NS paint programs operated by Product Care.

[Alberta Environment](#) has assigned responsibility for the program to the [Alberta Recycling Management Authority](#), which currently manages the scrap tire and electronics recycling programs in Alberta. Product Care is in discussions with ARMA with regard to the industry role in the paint recycling program.

Ontario MHSW program on hold; Interim projects continue

[Issue #8](#) of The Circular (June, 2007) noted the posting of the [MHSW program plan](#) on the Ontario environmental registry. This posting expired July 11, 2007. Although it was anticipated that the MHSW program would be approved by the Ontario Ministry of Environment before the October 10 provincial election, this did not occur. In the meantime, Stewardship Ontario has authorized a number interim projects. Product Care is leading the interim municipal tasks which include a proposed labpack sampling program to determine the volume of phase 1 products for certain of the waste classifications.

Saskatchewan HHW Pilot Program

Household Hazardous Waste Days will be held in a number of Saskatchewan municipalities this fall and in the spring of 2008. The HHW Days program is funded by Saskatchewan Environment and coordinated by Product Care Association. For more information go to <http://www.productcare.org/SKZoom.html>

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