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Re: Request to Province to Amend the Blue Box Regulation

At its regular meeting held on January 14, 2025, the Council of the Township of Asphodel-Norwood passed a resolution expressing its support for the Town of Deep River. The resolution includes the following key points:

WHEREAS under Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box, producers are fully accountable and financially responsible for their products and packaging once they reach their end of life and are disposed of, for 'eligible' sources only;

AND WHEREAS 'ineligible' sources which producers are not responsible for including businesses, places of worship, daycares, campgrounds, public-facing and internal areas of municipal-owned buildings and not-for-profit organizations, such as shelters and food banks;

AND WHEREAS should a municipality continue to provide services to the 'ineligible' sources, the municipality will be required to oversee the collection, transportation, and processing of the recycling, assuming 100% of the costs;

AND WHEREAS these costs this will further burden the municipalities' finances and potentially take resources away from vital infrastructure projects;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Deep River hereby request that the province amend Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box so that producers are responsible for the end-of-life management of recycling products from all sources.

Trusting Council's support will be beneficial in advancing this request.

Sincerely,



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