

March 5, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

The Honourable Andrea Khanjin
Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
Via E-mail: minister.mecp@ontario.ca

Re: Request to the Province to Amend Blue Box Regulation for 'Ineligible' Sources

Please be advised the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent, at its regular meeting held on March 4, 2024 supported the following resolution from the Township of Perry regarding the above noted matter;

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 include 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;

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent 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;

And further that Council hereby request the support of all Ontario Municipalities;

And further that this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks, Local MPP all Ontario Municipalities.

Sincerely,

Judy Smith, CMO
Director Municipal Governance/Clerk

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