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2001 BC STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY REPORT

For the Reporting Period: January 1, 2001 To December 31, 2001

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

INTRODUCTION

The following is an executive summary of Product Care's Post-Consumer Stewardship Programs for paint and residuals collected during the period from January 1, 2001 to December 31, 2001.

PAINT COLLECTED DURING 2001

4.5 million equivalent litre containers (ELC's)
Total to date (1994-2001): 22.5 million ELC's

RESIDUALS COLLECTED DURING 2001

Flammable Liquids	87,696 ELC's
Pesticides	19,008 ELC's

PRODUCT CARE COLLECTION FACILITIES (As of December 31, 2001)

Product Care maintains a system of 104 depots in BC. All 104 accept paint, while 35 of these depots, known as Multi-Drop Depots, also accept flammable liquids, pesticide and gasoline.

MANAGEMENT OF PAINT COLLECTED

Category	Paint
Landfilled	0%
Incinerated (at dedicated facilities)	0%
Used for energy value (fuel blending)	21%
Reused (paint exchange)	9%
Recycled (as raw material in various proprietary manufacturing processes)	70%

MANAGEMENT OF RESIDUALS COLLECTED

Category	Flammable Liquids	Pesticides
Reused	0%	0%
Recycled	0%	0%
Used for energy value (fuel blending)	92%	0%
Treatment/Incineration (at dedicated facilities)	8%	100%

MANAGING EMPTY PAINT CONTAINERS

Even with current low market demand for scrap metal, Product Care was able to divert more than 50 % of the empty metal paint containers accepted through the depot system to metal recycling. The remainder of the metal containers were landfilled.

In previous years, Product Care was able to divert all metals from containers for recycling and maintains that recycling is the first and best choice. During the Reporting Period, 218 tonnes of scrap metal were recycled, while 204 tonnes were landfilled.

A total of 30 tonnes of plastic containers were collected during 2001. All were processed by a local plastics shredding company. The shredded plastic was sent to a company in Richmond, which has the ability to recycle the material, even with the dried paint remaining on the chips. Previously, the closest firm capable of this recycling method was located in Wisconsin.

[AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS](#)

The figures in these statements reflect the period from January 1 - December 31, 2001. [\(click here to access\)](#)

For prior figures dating from 1994 to 2000, please see the [Ministry of Water, Land, and Air Protection](#) site.