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2002 BC STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY REPORT

For the Reporting Period: January 1, 2002 To December 31, 2002

FOR A HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE OF PRODUCT CARE [\(click here\)](#)

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, 2002 to December 31, 2002.

PAINT COLLECTED DURING 2002

5.4 million equivalent litre containers (elc's **) Note: elc's is a standardized measure of the container capacity in litres collected in Product Care tubskids.

Cumulative total to date: (1994-2002) 27.9 million elc's

** Equivalent litre containers or elc's is a standardized measurement used by Product Care that is based on the capacity of containers collected by the program.

OTHER RESIDUALS COLLECTED DURING 2002

Flammable Liquids	90,720 elc's
Pesticides	25,056 elc's

PRODUCT CARE COLLECTION FACILITIES (As of December 31, 2002)

Product Care maintains a system of more than 100 depots in BC. All depots 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	0%
Used for energy value (fuel blending)	16.3%
Reused (paint exchange)	6%
Recycled (as raw material in various proprietary manufacturing processes)	77.7%

MANAGEMENT OF OTHER RESIDUALS COLLECTED

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

CONTAINER MANAGEMENT

Product Care tries to recycle containers whenever possible. Under scrap-metal-market conditions, Product Care was able to recycle approximately half of the 518 tonnes of metal containers collected during 2002.

2002 - 2001 COLLECTION COMPARISONS

Material	2002	2001	Change
Paint	5.4 Mil. ELC's	4.5 Mil. elc's	+ 9 Mil. elc's (20%)
Paint Exchange	105,276 Litres	111,404 Litres	- 6,128 Litres (-6%)
Flammables	93,170 elc's	90,720 elc's	+ 2,450 (2.7%)
Pesticides	25,056	19,008	+ 6,048 (32%)
Metal Containers	518 tonnes	422 tonnes	+ 96 tonnes (23%)
Plastic Containers	46 tonnes	30 tonnes	+ 16 tonnes (50%)

The figures in these statements reflect the reporting period from January 1st to December 31st 2002. [\(click here to access\)](#)

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