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December 15, 2005

Mayor and Members of Council  
Hamilton, City Of  
71 Main Street East  
Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5 Canada

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**RE: Third Installment of 2005 Stewardship Ontario Funding for your Blue Box Recycling Program**

Dear Mayor and Members of Council:

Stewardship Ontario and Waste Diversion Ontario (WDO) are pleased to enclose the third payment for 2005 from obligated industry to help pay for your residential Blue Box recycling program.

The payment is provided under the auspices of the Blue Box Program Plan (BBPP) which requires obligated 'stewards' of Blue Box Wastes to share the cost of implementing and operating the Ontario municipal Blue Box recycling system. The total net system cost has been approved by the WDO. Obligated "stewards" are companies which do business in Ontario and which produce packaging and printed materials that are managed through the municipal waste management system. These companies are required under the *Waste Diversion Act, 2002* to report the amount of packaging and printed paper they put into the Ontario marketplace and accordingly to pay fees to Stewardship Ontario.

Stewardship Ontario is the industry funding organization that collects the fees from obligated companies and distributes the funds to municipalities.

The first payment in the 2005 program year was sent to you in July and the second in September, 2005. The final payment for the 2005 program year will be sent to you at the end of March, 2006. At that time, over the three years of the shared program, industry will have contributed a total of \$81 million to municipalities that operate recycling programs for Blue Box materials.

In addition to the direct cash payments, a further \$5.7 million is available this year (for a total of \$9 million over the first two years) through the Effectiveness and Efficiency (E&E) Fund. Each year, 10% of the stewards' fees are placed in the E&E Fund to provide competitive grants to municipalities to increase the effectiveness and minimize the cost of municipal recycling programs. So far, a total of 34 projects valued at \$5.1 million in support have been awarded.

The calculation of the funding allocated to each municipality is undertaken by WDO, based on information your municipality provided through the annual waste management datacall. Funding is based on:

- quantity of each type of material marketed by each municipality
- population density of each municipality, and
- size of operation of each program.

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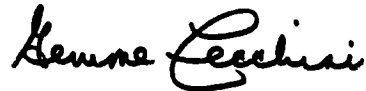
The funding allocated to each municipality is published on the WDO website, [www.wdo.ca](http://www.wdo.ca). Questions concerning the Blue Box Program and the calculation of funding can be directed to Gina Vergilio at [ginavergilio@wdo.ca](mailto:ginavergilio@wdo.ca) .

For information about the E&E Fund and how to apply, please visit the Stewardship Ontario website, [www.stewardshipontario.ca](http://www.stewardshipontario.ca). Questions concerning the Fund can be directed to Guy Perry at [info@stewardshipontario.ca](mailto:info@stewardshipontario.ca).

Sincerely,



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Chair  
Stewardship Ontario



Gemma Zecchini  
Chair  
Waste Diversion Ontario

cc. (Pat Parker, Hamilton, City Of)

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