Gouvernement du Québec

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Environment Quality Act (R.S.Q., c. Q-2)

Approval of Éco Entreprises Québec's 2010, 2011 and 2012 schedule of contributions for the "Containers and Packaging" and "Printed Matter" Classes

WHEREAS sections 53.31.1 to 53.31.20 of the establish a regime intended to compensate municipalities for the net costs of the services they provide for the recovery and reclamation of residual materials;

WHEREAS, under section 53.31.13 of the Environment Quality Act, Éco Entreprises Québec, as a certified body for the "containers and packaging" and "printed matter" classes, may collect from its members and from persons who, without being members, carry on activities similar to those carried on by the members where the classes of materials are concerned, the contributions necessary to remit the full amount of compensation and to indemnify the body for its management costs and other expenses incidental to the compensation regime;

WHEREAS, under section 53.31.14 of the Act, the contributions payable must be established on the basis of a schedule of contributions to be approved by the Government, which may cover a maximum of three years, provide for exemptions or exclusions and specify the terms according to which the contributions are to be paid to the certified body;

WHEREAS, under section 53.31.14 of the Environment Quality Act, Éco Entreprises Québec conducted a special consultation of the persons concerned before determining such a schedule and submitting it to the Government for approval;

WHEREAS, under section 53.31.15 of the Act, RECYC-QUÉBEC must give an opinion to the Government on the advisability of approving the schedule of contributions proposed by a certified body and a favourable opinion was given by RECYC-QUEBEC as regards the 2010, 2011 and 2012 schedule of contributions established by Éco Entreprises Québec;

WHEREAS, under Order in Council 135-2007 dated 14 February 2007, the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1) does not apply to the proposed schedules or schedules of contributions established under section 53.31.14 of the Environment Quality Act; IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment and Parks:

THAT the schedule of contributions established by Éco Entreprises Québec, entitled 2010, 2011 and 2012 schedule of contributions for the "Containers and Packaging" and "Printed Matter" Classes, attached to this Order in Council, be approved.

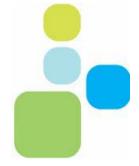
GILLES PAQUIN, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif



# 2010, 2011 and 2012 Schedule of Contributions for "Containers and Packaging" and "Printed Matter" Classes

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## PREAMBLE

The *Environment Quality Act*, R.S.Q. c. Q-2 (the "Act") provides for provisions with respect to the compensation to municipalities for the services that the latter offer to ensure the recovery and reclaim of residual materials designated in the *Regulation respecting compensation for municipal services provided to recover and reclaim residual materials*, R.S.Q. c. Q-2, r.2.3 (the "Regulation"). This Regulation specifies the basic principles and main orientations regarding the contribution of the enterprises to the financing of recycling services.

Pursuant to section 53.31.12 of the Act, a body certified by the Société québécoise de récupération et de recyclage shall remit to the Société québécoise de récupération et de recyclage the amount of the monetary compensation owed to municipalities. In order to fulfill this obligation, the certified body may, pursuant to section 53.31.13 of the Act, collect from its members and from persons who or which, without being members, carry on similar activities to those carried on by the members in relation to the designated materials or classes of materials, the contributions necessary to remit a) the amount of compensation determined by the Société québécoise de récupération et de recyclage, including the interests, administrative fees and applicable penalties, as the case may be, b) the amount necessary to indemnify Éco Entreprises Québec for its management costs and other expenses related to the compensation regime, as well as, c) the amount payable to the Société québécoise de récupération et de recyclage as per section 53.31.18 of the Act.

From this approach, the certified body also has the responsibility, pursuant to section 53.31.14, to prepare and propose a schedule covering up to a period of three years and in conformity with the objectives of the Act. The proposed rules in this Schedule must be approved by the Government, and are afterwards published in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

It is in this context that Éco Entreprises Québec (ÉEQ) was certified, on June 9, 2005, to represent persons having an obligation to compensate for the "containers and packaging" and "printed matter" classes of materials, and collect from the latter monetary compensations that will be remitted to municipalities.

The Act dictates a number of requirements guiding Éco Entreprises Québec's actions in the preparation of the Contribution tables of the enterprises, which are :

- The contributions payable must be established on the basis of a Schedule that has been the subject of a special consultation with the "Targeted Persons";
- The criteria taken into account to determine the Schedule must evolve over the years in order to foster the accountability of the various classes of persons as regards the environmental consequences of the products they manufacture, market, distribute or commercialize or the materials they otherwise generate, having regard to the content of recycled materials, the nature of materials used, the volume of residual materials produced and their potential for recovery, recycling and other forms of reclamation.

As for the Regulation, it specifies various aspects of the Act: more particularly, it specifies the minimal framework applicable to the Schedule, namely by establishing certain exemptions to the benefit of certain persons in respect of certain materials or, conversely, by targeting persons that alone may be required to pay contributions in respect of certain materials, as stipulated in the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) paragraph of section 1 of the Regulation.

Section 53.31.14 of the Act states that the Schedule may provide for exemptions and exclusions and may specify the terms according to which the contributions are to be paid to Éco Entreprises Québec.

The Schedules prepared and proposed by Éco Entreprises Québec has been drafted in a way to include all the elements enabling a person to determine its liability, to understand the scope of his obligations, to determine the amount of the payable contribution. In order to reach all those clarity and conciseness goals in a sole document, Éco Entreprises Québec has reproduced certain provisions of the Act and the Regulation and also proposes a section inherent to the definitions of the wording used.

In the same concern for clarity, Éco Entreprises Québec proposes explanations to targeted persons that are available on its website at <u>www.ecoentreprises.qc.ca</u>.

Éco Entreprises Québec favours alternative modes of dispute resolution, particularly arbitration, with respect to the quantity or type of materials that must be taken into account in the report to be submitted. In this context, the procedural rules favoured by Éco Entreprises Québec are those found in the administrative guide entitled *Mediation and Arbitration Rules* that are also available on its website at www.ecoentreprises.qc.ca.

During the time where Éco Entreprises Québec is in possession of information that has been transmitted in the scope of the compensation regime, Éco Entreprises Québec shall see that all agreed upon means are put in place to ensure the safety and confidentiality, and ensure the respect of all other obligations provided for by the Act pertaining to the retention of this information.

The document hereunder constitutes the 2010, 2011 and 2012 Schedule for "Containers and Packaging" and "Printed Matter" Classes proposed by Éco Entreprises Québec for approval by the government.

## 1. **DEFINITIONS**

## **1.1 DEFINITIONS**

In the Schedule, unless the context indicates otherwise, the following words and expressions mean or refer to:

- a) "Classes of Materials": two (2) of the three (3) classes of materials targeted by the Compensation Regime, i.e. "containers and packaging" and "printed matter" that are marketed in Québec and for which, for the purposes of the contribution, exclusions are prescribed under Chapter 3 of the said Schedule;
- b) "Materials": containers, packaging, or printed matter included in a Class of Materials and that are listed in Appendix A, column 3 of the tables of the Schedule;
- c) "Act": the *Environment Quality Act*, R.S.Q., c. Q-2, as amended from time to time;
- "Targeted Person": a person obligated by the Compensation Regime and subject, for the purposes of the contribution, to exemptions and other terms prescribed under Chapter 2 of the Schedule;
- "First Supplier": means a person who has a domicile or establishment in Québec and is the first to take title, or possession, or control, in Québec, of printed matter described in the Schedules or a Product whose container or packaging is also described in the Schedule;
- "Product": good or service intended for consumers, whether sold or provided otherwise;
- g) "Compensation Regime": the compensation regime prescribed by Chapter 1, Division VII, subdivision 4.1 of the Act and by the *Regulation*, as amended from time to time;
- "Regulation": The Regulation respecting compensation for municipal services provided to recover and reclaim residual materials, R.S.Q., c. Q-2, r.2.3;
- "Retailer": means a person which principal activity consists in the operation of one or several retail outlet(s);
- j) "Brand": means a mark that is used by a person for the purpose of distinguishing or so as to distinguish Products or services manufactured, sold, leased, hired or performed by the person from those manufactured, sold, leased, hired or performed by others, but does not include a certification mark within the meaning of section 2 of the *Trade-marks Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. T-13;

- "Distinguishing Guise": means the shaping of containers or packaging, the appearance of which is used by a person for the purpose of distinguishing or so as to distinguish Products manufactured, sold, leased, hired or performed by the person from those manufactured, sold, leased, hired or performed by others;
- "Name": means the name under which any business is carried on, whether or not it is the name of a legal person, a partnership or an individual;
- m) "Newspapers": one of the three (3) classes of material also stipulated in the Regulation, but not targeted by the Schedule, and represented by RecycleMédias.

## 2. DESIGNATION OF PERSONS SUBJECT TO PAYING A CONTRIBUTION

#### 2.1 TARGETED PERSONS

- 2.1.1 The persons referred to in sections 3 and 6 of the Regulation, that is the owners of a Brand, a Name or a Distinguishing Guise are the only ones who may be required to pay a contribution for:
  - 1° Containers and packaging used for commercializing or marketing a Product or service in Quebec under that Brand, Name or Distinguishing Guise;
  - 2° Containers and packaging identified by that Brand, Name or Distinguishing Guise;
  - 3° Materials included in the printed matter class identified by that Brand, Name or Distinguishing Guise.
- 2.1.2 However, if the owner has no domicile or establishment in Québec, the First Supplier in Québec of the Products, or the containers and packaging, or of the printed matter, other than the manufacturer, may be required to pay the contribution, whether or not that supplier is the importer.
- 2.1.3 The following special rules apply in respect of containers or packaging added at retail outlets, whether or not the containers or packaging are subject to section 2.1.1 of the Schedule, paragraphs 1 and 2, and section 2.1.2 of the Schedule:
  - 1° The payment of a contribution may not be required from the manufacturer of those containers and packaging or of a person having added containers or packaging at a retail outlet, subject to paragraph 2; and
  - 2° Where a retail outlet is supplied or operated as a franchise or a chain, under a banner name, or as part of another similar form of affiliation or group of businesses or establishments, the contribution for containers or packaging added at the retail outlet is payable by the franchisor, owner of the chain, banner or group, as the case may

be, or if the franchisor, owner of the chain, banner or group has no domicile or establishment in Québec, by their representative in Québec, or where there is no representative, by the retailer.

- 2.1.4 The Targeted Person who has a right of ownership in the Brand, Name or Distinguishing Guise and who sells, transfers or otherwise assigns to another person said right, remains, with the other person, fully and solidarily liable for the entire contribution amount up to the transfer date.
- 2.1.5 In the event of a total or partial sale, transfer or assignment of an enterprise implicating a Targeted Person who may notably be a franchisor, an owner of a chain, banner or group, or a First Supplier to another person, the parties involved remain fully and solidarily liable for the entire contribution amount up to the transfer date.

#### 2.2 EXEMPTED PERSONS

- 2.2.1 Pursuant to section 5 of the Regulation, the following are exempt from paying a contribution in respect of the containers and packaging in relation to which they are already required to take recovery or reclamation measures:
  - 1° Persons who are already required under a Regulation made under the Act to take measures or contribute financially towards measures to recover or reclaim containers or packaging;
  - 2° Persons already required under a consignment system recognized under Québec law to take measures or contribute financially towards measures to recover or reclaim containers or packaging, such as beer and soft drink non-refillable containers;
  - 3° Persons who are able to establish that they participate directly or contribute financially towards another system to recover and reclaim containers or packaging that operates on an established and regular basis in Québec, such as the program for the recovery of refillable beer bottles existing on November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2004.
- 2.2.2 Are also exempt from paying a contribution in regard to containers and packaging and printed matter:
  - 1° The Targeted Persons whose gross sales, receipts, revenues or other inflows in Québec were less than or equal to \$1,000,000 or generated a total weight of less than or equal to one (1) metric ton of one or more Material or group of Materials;
  - 2° The Targeted Persons who are Retailers and operate only one retail outlet and which location is not supplied or operated as a franchise or a chain, under a banner name, or as part of another similar form of affiliation or group of businesses or establishments.

## 2.3 VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTOR

- 2.3.1 Éco Enterprises Québec may accept that a third party whose domicile or establishment is outside Québec and who is the owner of a Brand, a Name or a Distinguishing Guise becomes a voluntary contributor, notably if that third party satisfies the conditions set out in the following sections.
- 2.3.2 Voluntary contributors may only act to fulfill obligations that, according to the Schedule, with regard to their Products, containers and packaging or printed matter, would be the responsibility of the First Supplier, but this does not have the effect of exempting a First Supplier from its obligations under the Schedule.
- 2.3.3 A third party may be recognized as a voluntary contributor after having concluded an agreement with Éco Entreprises Québec that namely includes the following conditions:
  - Undertake to pay the contribution pursuant to the Schedule;
  - Enter into this agreement freely;
  - Undertake to file reports pursuant to the terms described in Chapter 5 according to the conditions set out in this chapter;
  - Undertake to shoulder the previously described responsibilities for all First Suppliers in Québec;
  - Undertake to abide by the Québec laws and agree that lawsuits be instituted in the Province of Québec, according to the Québec laws.

Such a third party who is recognized as a voluntary contributor thus becomes a Targeted Person with regard to the contribution.

- 2.3.4 Éco Entreprises Québec may decide to conclude the agreement provided under section 2.3.3 of the Schedule with a third party, whose domicile or establishment is in Canada, but outside Québec, and, without being owner of a Brand, a Name or a Distinguishing Guise, is its main distributor in Québec. Section 2.3.2 of the Schedule also applies to this third party.
- 2.3.5 The First Supplier and the voluntary contributor are jointly responsible for the obligations which they are subject to pursuant to the Schedule.

## 2.4 PUBLICATION OF THE NAMES OF TARGETED PERSONS

2.4.1 Éco Entreprises Québec can make a list available including the names of any person who has registered pursuant to division 5.1 of the Schedule, and has consented to said publication.

# 3. DESIGNATION OF CLASSES OF MATERIALS REQUIRING A CONTRIBUTION AND EXCLUSIONS IN THE SCHEDULE

## 3.1 "CONTAINERS AND PACKAGING": GENERAL DEFINITION

3.1.1 Pursuant to section 2 of the Regulation, the "containers and packaging" Class of Materials includes all types of flexible or rigid materials, including paper, carton, plastic, glass or metal, used alone or in combination with other materials to contain, protect, wrap or present a Product or a set of Products at any stage in the movement of the Product or set of Products from the producer to the ultimate user or consumer, especially for their presentation.

## 3.2 "CONTAINERS AND PACKAGING" INCLUDED IN THE PAYABLE CONTRIBUTION

- 3.2.1 The following containers and packaging must notably be included in the establishment of the payable contribution:
  - a) Paperboard
    - Corrugated cardboard
    - Kraft paper bags provided at the retail outlet for the purpose of containing the purchase made there, whether these bags were sold or otherwise provided;
    - Kraft paper packaging
    - Boxboard and other paper packaging
    - Paper laminants
    - Gable-top containers
    - Aseptic containers
  - b) Plastics
    - PET bottles
    - HDPE bottles
    - Plastic laminants
    - Plastic HDPE and LDPE films
    - HDPE, LDPE plastic bags provided at the retail outlet for the purpose of containing the purchase made there, whether these bags
    - were sold or otherwise provided;
    - Expanded Polystyrene
    - Non expanded Polystyrene
    - PET containers
    - Polylactic Acid (PLA)
    - Other plastics, polymers and polyurethane
  - c) Steel
    - Aerosol containers
    - Other steel containers
  - d) Aluminum
    - Aluminum food and beverages containers
    - Other aluminum packaging
  - e) Glass
    - Clear glass
    - Coloured glass
  - f) Containers and packaging given out free of charge as Products

### 3.3 "CONTAINERS AND PACKAGING" EXCLUDED FROM THE PAYABLE CONTRIBUTION

- 3.3.1 The following containers and packaging are excluded from the establishment of the payable contribution:
  - a) Containers and packaging whose ultimate user is an industrial, commercial or institutional establishment;
  - In conformity with section 2 of the Regulation, the pallets conceived in a manner to facilitate the handling and transport of a number of sale units and bundled packages;
  - c) The tertiary or transport packaging, namely containers and packaging designed to facilitate the handling and transport of a number of sales units or bundled packaging, such as transport containers, in order to prevent physical handling and transport damage. However, containers and packaging likely to be used not only for such transportation but also for delivery of Products directly to ultimate consumers or recipients of the Products, including paper, carton, polystyrene protection or plastic film remain covered and must consequently be included in the establishment of the payable contribution;
  - Containers and packaging sold as Products subject to those, covered by section 3.2.1. paragraph f) of the Schedule;
  - e) Long-life containers or packaging: are considered as such containers and packaging designed to accompany, protect or store a Product throughout its life when the Product is designed to last for five (5) years or more. Examples of long-life containers and packaging include, but are not limited to, compact disc cases, tool boxes, etc;
  - f) Containers and packaging accompanying a Product destined to be used or consumed by a consumer at the site of distribution or sale of the Product when such containers or packaging are taken into charge on that same site. As an example, but not limited to, such excluded containers and packaging are those accompanying food in a restaurant, but not those accompanying drive-thru and take-out orders.

## 3.4 "PRINTED MATTER": GENERAL DEFINITION

3.4.1 Pursuant to section 2 of the Regulation, the "printed matter" Class of Materials includes paper and other cellulosic fibres, whether or not they are used as a medium for text or images.

#### **3.5** "PRINTED MATTER" INCLUDED IN THE PAYABLE CONTRIBUTION

3.5.1 The following printed matter must notably be included in the establishment of the payable contribution :

- a) Newsprint inserts and circulars;
- Catalogues, guides, directories, brochures, calendars of events and other publications;
- c) Magazines;
- d) Telephone book;
- Paper for general use such as blank printer paper, lined, crosssectioned and blank paper, whether white or coloured, as well as notepads of all sizes;
- Other printed matter such as invoices, envelopes, news letters, lottery tickets for any lottery scheme, annual reports, circulars printed on glossy paper, prospectuses and reports on investments;
- g) Papers and other cellulosic fibres given out free of charge as a Product such as calendars or greeting cards.

Materials that can be identified by a Brand, a Name or a Distinguishing Guise are considered as a printed matter that should be included in the establishment of the payable contribution.

## **3.6** "PRINTED MATTER" EXCLUDED FROM THE PAYABLE CONTRIBUTION

- 3.6.1 The following printed matter are excluded from the payable contribution:
  - a) Printed matter whose ultimate user is an industrial, commercial or institutional establishment;
  - b) Books as well as materials included in the newspapers;
  - c) Printed matter already included in the containers and packaging class;
  - Papers and other cellulosic fibres sold as a Product, to the exception of those included in section 3.5.1, paragraphs c), e) and g) of the Schedule;
  - e) Printed matter accompanying a Product destined to be used or consumed by a consumer at the site of distribution or sale of the Product when such printed matter is taken into charge on that same site.

## 4. DETERMINATION OF CONTRIBUTION AMOUNTS AND PAYMENT

## 4.1 PAYABLE CONTRIBUTION AND REFERENCE YEAR FOR THE CALCULATION OF THE CONTRIBUTION

- 4.1.1 For the obligation year 2010:
  - a) A Targeted Person that marketed Materials in the course of the year 2009 or in the course of the year 2010 must pay a contribution for the year 2010;

- b) For the purpose of calculating the payable contribution for this obligation year 2010, the Materials that must be considered are those marketed in Québec from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010, to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010, inclusively, which year constitutes the reference year.
- 4.1.2 For the obligation year 2011:
  - a) A Targeted Person that marketed Materials in the course of the year 2010 must pay a contribution for the year 2011;
  - b) For the purpose of calculating the payable contribution this obligation year 2011, the Materials that must be considered are those marketed in Québec from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010, to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010, inclusively, which period constitutes the reference year.
- 4.1.3 For the obligation year 2012:
  - a) A Targeted Person that marketed Materials in the course of the year 2011 must pay a contribution for the year 2012;
  - b) For the purpose of calculating the payable contribution this obligation year 2012, the Materials that must be considered are those marketed in Québec from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011, to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011, inclusively, which period constitutes the reference year.
- 4.1.4 The contribution amount payable by a Targeted Person due for an obligation year is determined by multiplying, for each Material, the quantity, in kilograms, that is marketed in Québec during the reference year applicable to this obligation year by the rate applicable to that Material pursuant to the applicable table of contributions for same obligation year, annexed in Appendix A of the Schedule and then by adding all these amounts.
- 4.1.5 For the purposes of the Schedule, any Targeted Person required to pay a contribution under Chapter 2 of the Schedule is deemed to have marketed Materials.

#### 4.2 LUMP SUM PAYMENT OPTION

- 4.2.1 Any Targeted Person whose gross sales, receipts, revenues or other inflows in Quebec for a reference year are more than \$1,000,000 and who has marketed, for the same period, a total weight of more than 1 metric ton but less than or equal to 5 metric tons of one or more Material or group of Materials may choose, for the obligation year related to the reference year, either to pay the contribution established under section 4.1 of the Schedule or opt to pay the lump sum payment set out as follows:
  - a) When the total weight of Materials or group of Materials is less than or equal to 2.5 metric tons, the lump sum payable contribution is established at:
    - \$280, for 2010 obligation year;
    - \$325, for 2011 obligation year;
    - \$370, for 2012 obligation year;

- b) When the total weight of Materials or group of Materials is more than 2.5 metric tons but less than or equal to 5 metric tons, the lump sum payable contribution is established at:
  - \$560, for 2010 obligation year;
  - \$630, for 2011 obligation year;
  - \$745, for 2012 obligation year;

### 4.3 DATES OF PAYMENT OF THE CONTRIBUTION

- 4.3.1 The Targeted Person must pay to Éco Entreprises Québec the amount of the contribution determined pursuant to section 4.1.4 of the Schedule within the delays and according to the terms of payment indicated hereafter and presented in Appendix D of the Schedule:
  - 1. For each of the obligation years 2010 and 2011:
    - 70% of the payable contribution must be paid at the latest by September 26, 2012;
    - The balance of the contribution must be paid at the latest by January 26, 2013;
  - 2. For the obligation year 2012:
    - 80% of the payable contribution must be paid at the latest by January 26, 2013;
    - The balance of the contribution must be paid at the latest by September 26, 2013.
- 4.3.2 Where the Targeted Person chooses to pay a lump sum pursuant to section 4.3.1 of the Schedule, the Targeted Person must pay 100% of the amount owed on September 26, 2012 for the obligation years 2010 and 2011 and 100% of the amount owed on January 26, 2013 for the obligation year 2012.

#### 4.4 INTEREST, ADMINISTRATION FEES AND PENALTIES

4.4.1 Under reserve of any additional amount required to be paid as the contribution owed as per a revised invoice, any part of the payable contribution owed by the Targeted Person that has not been paid to Éco Entreprises Québec in the period fixed under section 4.3.1 or 4.3.2 of the Schedule, and pursuant to the payment terms provided for at division 4.5 of the Schedule, will bear interest at the rate fixed by section 28 of the *Tax Administration Act*, R.S.Q., C. A-6.002, and this in conformity with section 53.31.16 of the Act. The interest is calculated daily on the amount owed from the date at which this part of the contribution must be paid until the date of payment, at the rate mentioned here above. Any change in the rate will immediately bring a change to the payable interest rate covered by the present section.

However, the daily interest calculated between the date the invoice is issued pursuant to the Schedule and the date of payment are cancelled if the amount required by this invoice is paid at the latest thirty (30) days following the date the invoice was issued.

- 4.4.2 Under reserve of any additional amount required to be paid in the contribution owed as per a revised invoice, any Targeted Person who has not paid a part of the payable contribution in a delay of ninety (90) days following the date at which said part of the contribution is due pursuant to section 4.3.1 or 4.3.2 of the Schedule, must pay, in addition to the interest required under section 4.4.1 of the Schedule, the administrative fees equivalent to 10% of the part of the payable contribution owed in order to compensate Éco Entreprises Québec for its administrative costs incurred.
- 4.4.3 Pursuant to section 53.31.16 of the Act, where Éco Entreprises Québec pursues a remedy to claim a sum it is owed, a penalty equal to 20% of the contribution is applicable.

## 4.5 PLACE AND METHOD OF PAYMENT

- 4.5.1 Any payment made according to the Schedule must be in Canadian legal currency.
- 4.5.2 Any payment owed according to the Schedule may be made by cheque, preauthorized debit, wire transfer or a centralized payment service.

In the event the payment is made by way of a wire transfer or by a centralized payment service, a written notice to that effect must be submitted to Eco Entreprises Québec. In the event such notice is not forwarded, it exonerates Éco Entreprises Québec from any liability if the amount of the contribution is not applied.

## 5. REGISTRATION AND REPORTING BY TARGETED PERSONS

#### 5.1 **REGISTRATION AND REPORTING BY TARGETED PERSONS**

- 5.1.1 All Targeted Persons must register with Éco Entreprises Québec by submitting the information required in Appendix B of the Schedule.
- 5.1.2 Subject to section 5.1.8 of the Schedule, all Targeted Persons must also submit a report of the Materials it marketed in order to establish its payable contribution according to Chapter 4 by transmitting to Éco Entreprises Québec the information required in Appendix C of the Schedule, notably:
  - a) A description of the methodology and data used to prepare the Targeted Person's registration form and Materials report;
  - b) A description of the Materials excluded from the Materials report used to establish the Targeted Person's payable contribution;
  - A description of deducted Materials from the Targeted Person's Materials report as well as the number of kilograms or the percentage applied according to the type of Material;

- d) A description of the containers, packaging and printed matters that the Targeted Person marketed and that are not mentioned in the Materials report, as well as, the quantity in kilograms of the marketed containers, packaging and printed matter;
- e) A list of Brands, Names and Distinguishing Guises that are covered in the Targeted Person's Materials report;
- f) A declaration as to the truthfulness of the information contained in the Targeted Person's Materials report.
- 5.1.3 A Targeted Person must register and submit its Materials report for each of the obligation years of 2010, 2011 and 2012.
- 5.1.4 A Targeted Person must register and submit a Materials report according to the following terms:
  - For the obligation years 2010 and 2011, at the latest ninety (90) days following the effective date of the applicable Schedule;
  - For the obligation year 2012, at the latest one hundred and eighty (180) days following the effective date of the applicable Schedule.
- 5.1.5 Any modifications of the content of the registration and of the Materials Report must be announced by way of a notice of amendment, which is to be transmitted to Éco Entreprises Québec by the Targeted Person at the latest the thirtieth (30<sup>th</sup>) day after this change.
- 5.1.6 The registration, the Materials report and the notices of amendment must be transmitted to Éco Entreprises Québec electronically, using the forms provided to this effect at Appendix B and available on Éco Entreprises Québec's website, and according to the submission procedures described on the site.
- 5.1.7 As for the Targeted Person who opted for lump sum payments established pursuant to section 4.2.1 of the Schedule, said person can, aside from the procedure set out in section 5.1.6 of the Schedule, choose to transmit the registration on paper. The registration shall, in this case, be personally signed by the person designated, by resolution, by the Targeted Person, and shall be submitted in one of the following manners: delivered in person to Éco Entreprises, by fax or by mail. This document shall be prepared using the form available on the Éco Entreprises Québec website at <a href="http://www.ecoentreprises.qc.ca">www.ecoentreprises.qc.ca</a>, or from the head office.

#### 5.2 BILLING, CREDITS AND REIMBURSEMENT

5.2.1 For each obligation year, upon receipt of the Materials report from the Targeted Person, Éco Entreprises Québec sends by e-mail to the Targeted

Person, two invoices for the payable contribution established on the basis of the information contained in the Materials report.

The present section cannot, however, be interpreted as an exoneration of the Targeted Person to pay the contribution in the delays stipulated in section 4.3.1 of the Schedule.

The present section also cannot be interpreted as denying Éco Entreprises Québec the right to review said Materials report and to send an imposed invoice or a revised invoice pursuant to sections 5.2.2, 5.2.3 and 5.2.4 of the Schedule.

5.2.2 Any failure to register, any failure to submit a Materials report and the submission of an incomplete, late, erroneous or fraudulent Materials report gives rise to the possibility that Éco Enterprises Québec, at any time, may impose the amount of the contribution payable by means of an estimate notably based on all elements in its possession, that is on the installation or activities of the Targeted Person, or by way of a recognized fixed-price estimate method. These elements or methods remain confidential if Éco Entreprises Québec uses personal information concerning a Targeted Person to establish the imposed invoice. In this case, Éco Entreprises Québec cannot be compelled to reveal these elements or methods. This imposed invoice is presumed valid and if it is contested, it belongs to the Targeted Person to establish that the invoice is ill-founded.

This imposed invoice includes interest and the administrative fees established pursuant to sections 4.4.1 and 4.4.2 of the Schedule. Despite any contestation, any amount owed under the imposed invoice must be paid in the thirty (30) days of it being issued.

5.2.3 Éco Entreprises Québec can, within a delay of three (3) years following the date when the Targeted Person submits a Materials report, review the Materials report submitted by a Targeted Person and require that necessary corrections then be made to said report by the Targeted Person. Éco Entreprises Québec can also decide to make the necessary corrections after having informed the Targeted Person. Following these corrections, a revised invoice determining the adjustment to the payable contribution is sent to the Targeted Person. This revised invoice is presumed valid and if it is contested, it belongs to the Targeted Person to establish that it is ill-founded.

Despite any contestation, the additional sum required to be paid for the contribution as indicated in the revised invoice must be paid by the Targeted Person to Éco Entreprises Québec within a delay of thirty (30) days following the issuance of this invoice.

The amount owed will bear interest at the rate fixed by section 28 of the *Tax Administration Act*, R.S.Q., C. A-6.002, and this in conformity with section 53.31.16 of the Act. The interest is calculated daily on the unpaid amount of the contribution, starting from the date this amount must be paid, up to the payment date, at the above mentioned rate. Any change to this rate automatically brings a change to the payable interest rate pursuant to the present section.

In addition to interest, any Targeted Person that has not paid the sum required within the delay of ninety (90) days following the date at which this sum is due, must pay fees equivalent to 10% of the sum owed to compensate Éco Entreprises Québec for the administrative fees it incurred.

5.2.4 Within a period of one (1) year following the deadline provided for at section 5.1.5 of the Schedule for the submission of the Materials report, the Targeted Person may present an amended Materials report to Éco Entreprises Québec for approval. All relevant documents and information allowing Éco Entreprises Québec to proceed with a complete analysis and to render an enlightened decision must be filed in support of the amended Materials report in the same delay. If Éco Entreprises Québec approves in all or in part this amended Materials report, a revised invoice of the payable contribution is then transmitted to the Targeted Person. This revised invoice is presumed valid and where it is contested, it belongs to the Targeted Person to establish that it is ill-founded.

Despite any contestation, the additional amount required to be paid for the contribution as indicated in the revised invoice must be paid by the Targeted Person to Éco Entreprises Québec within a delay of thirty (30) days following the issuance of this invoice. The amount owed will bear interest at the rate indicated in section 28 of the *Tax Administration Act*, R.S.Q., C. A-6.002, and in conformity with section 53.31.16 of the Act. The interest is calculated daily on the unpaid amount of the contribution, starting from the date the contribution must be paid, up to the payment date, at the above mentioned rate. Any change to this rate automatically brings a change to the payable interest rate pursuant to the present section. In addition to interest, any Targeted Person that has not paid the sum required within the delay of ninety (90) days following the date at which this sum is due, must pay fees equivalent to 10% of the sum owed to compensate Éco Entreprises Québec for the administrative fees it incurred.

- 5.2.5 Once the amended Materials report is approved by Éco Entreprises Québec, and it appears that the Targeted Person paid a contribution that was higher than it should have paid, the amount overpaid is credited to any contribution payable for the following obligation year, up to the adjusted contribution amount for the current obligation year. Éco Entreprises Québec reimburses the Targeted Person, without interest, any amount exceeding this credit.
- 5.2.6 A Targeted Person to whom an imposed or revised invoice has been sent may attempt to arrive at an agreement with Éco Entreprises Québec in the ninety (90) days following the issuance of this invoice, pursuant to section 6.1.1 of the Schedule if the dispute relates to the quantity or the qualification of Materials that should have been taken into account in the Materials report. This process does not exempt, however, the Targeted Person from their obligation to pay the amount indicated in the imposed invoice in the period indicated at section 5.2.2 of the Schedule, or the additional sum required to be paid as a contribution indicated in the revised invoice within the delay indicated at sections 5.2.3 or 5.2.4, as the case may be. In the event where an agreement is reached and results in an

overage paid, section 5.2.5 of the Schedule applies with any necessary adjustments.

5.2.7 Following a request submitted by a Targeted Person and approved by Éco Entreprises Québec, Éco Entreprises Québec reimburses, without any interest, any contribution or any part of a contribution paid by a person whom has opted to pay a lump sum pursuant to section 4.2.1 of the Schedule and for whom it was later determined not to be a Targeted Person under the Schedule.

## 5.3 VERIFICATION AND CONSERVATION OF FILES

- 5.3.1 Éco Entreprises Québec reserves the right to require, from any Targeted Person, as well as, any person whom Éco Entreprises Québec has reasonable grounds to believe is a Targeted Person, the books, registries, accounting documents and any other documents deemed necessary by Éco Entreprises Québec in order to establish the payable contribution by this person.
- 5.3.2 Any Targeted Person must render this information available to be consulted and photocopied by Éco Entreprises Québec, during normal business hours, following a prior notice from Éco Entreprises Québec to that effect.
- 5.3.3 Other than the information and documents that the Targeted Person must submit pursuant to Appendix C, Éco Entreprises Québec reserves the right to require from said person that they provide any supplementary information such as notably, a complete list of containers and packaging and printed matters covered by the Schedule, whether or not this information was used in the preparation of the Materials report, the data tables, audit reports, list of declared Brands and list of Brands excluded from the Materials report and the distribution of percentages, and that were used by the Targeted Person to complete its Materials report.
- 5.3.4 Any Targeted Person must keep a record of all documents and any technological or other support used to prepare the Materials report for a period of at least five (5) years from the date that this Materials report is transmitted.

## 6. **DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

## 6.1 PROCEDURE

6.1.1 In the case of a dispute between the Targeted Person and Éco Entreprises Québec regarding the quantity or the qualification of the Materials that should have been taken into account in the Materials report following the issuance of an imposed invoice pursuant to section 5.2.2 of the Schedule, or following the issuance of a revised invoice pursuant to sections 5.2.3 or 5.2.4 of the Schedule, the Targeted Person and Éco Entreprises Québec will endeavour to resolve the dispute by way of discussions between their respective representatives in the thirty (30) days following the issuance of the invoice.

- 6.1.2 In the event that the dispute cannot be resolved during this period, and if the object of the dispute, excluding the interest, administrative fees and penalties exceeds \$70,000.00, the Targeted Person may notify Éco Entreprises Québec in writing by way of a "Notice of dispute" in the one sixty (60) days following the issuance of the invoice, indicating therein the grounds for contestation as well as their intention to submit the dispute either to mediation and, in the case of failure, to arbitration, or directly to arbitration. Following receipt of said notice, the parties will either proceed to mediation, and, in the case of failure, to arbitration, or directly to arbitration, as the case may be, in conformity with the procedures of mediation or arbitration adopted by Éco Entreprises Québec that are in effect at the date of the Notice of dispute. These procedures may be website consulted on the of Éco Entreprises Québec (www.ecoentreprises.qc.ca).
- 6.1.3 By invoking the mediation and/or arbitration procedures provided at section 6.1.2 of the Schedule, the parties exclude any recourse before the common law tribunals, except for provisional measures.

## 7. ADJUSTMENTS

## 7.1 ADJUSTMENTS

- 7.1.1 In the case where, for a particular class of Materials, Eco Entreprises Québec collects, following the expiry of the twenty-four (24) month period following the date where the balance for the payable contribution is due as prescribed by section 4.3.1 of the Schedule, an amount that exceeds by five percent (5%) that was necessary to pay for this class of Materials, for one (1) year where said amounts become due, a) the amount of the compensation determined by the Société québécoise de récupération et de recyclage, including the interest, administrative fees and applicable penalties, as the case may be, b) the amount necessary to indemnify Éco Entreprises Québec for its management costs and other expenses related to the compensation regime, as well as, c) the amount payable to the Société québécoise de récupération et de recyclage pursuant to section 53.31.18 of the Act (this last amount being identified in the present Schedule, Chapter 7, as being the "required amount"), Éco Entreprises Québec issues a credit to Targeted Persons that have paid the contribution for the obligation year in which the surplus has accumulated. This credit will correspond to the amount collected above the exceeding five percent (5%) and is redistributed pro rata amongst the payable contributions by sub-class of Materials within each class, and then, by pro rata amongst the contributions paid by the Targeted Persons within each sub-class.
- 7.1.2 In the case where Éco Entreprises Québec does not collect the amount necessary for a class of Materials following the expiry of the twenty-four (24) month period following the date where the balance for the payable

contribution is due pursuant to section 4.3.1 of the Schedule, Éco Entreprises Québec can require from Targeted Persons for this class of Materials the amount needed to satisfy the difference. This amount is distributed pro rata amongst the required contributions by a sub-class of Materials within each class and then, by pro rata amongst the required contributions for each Targeted Person within each sub-class. This amount must be paid to Éco Enterprises Québec by the Targeted Persons within thirty (30) days following the transmission of an invoice to this effect by Éco Entreprises Québec. The divisions 4.4 and 4.5 of the Schedule are applicable for this amount by making the necessary modifications.

7.1.3 If Éco Entreprises Québec judges that it will most likely not be able to collect the amount necessary for a class of Materials, at the expiry of a twenty-four (24) month period following the date at which the balance of the payable contribution is payable pursuant to section 4.3.1 of the Schedule, Éco Entreprises Québec can, at any moment, require an amount that it deems necessary to satisfy the difference. This amount is distributed pro rata amongst the required contributions by sub-class of Materials within this category, and then, by pro rata amongst the contributions paid by the Targeted Persons within each sub-class. This amount must be paid to Éco Entreprises Québec by the Targeted Persons within thirty (30) days following the transmission of an invoice to this effect by Éco Entreprises Québec. The divisions 4.4 and 4.5 of the Schedule are applicable to this amount by making the necessary modifications.

## 8. EFFECTIVE DATE AND DURATION

## 8.1 EFFECTIVE DATE

The Schedule shall be effective on the day of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*, on April 11<sup>th</sup> 2012.

## 8.2 DURATION

The Schedule is valid for the 2010, 2011 and 2012 obligation years.

## APPENDIX A: 2010, 2011 and 2012 CONTRIBUTION TABLES

## Contributions for the period from January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010<sup>1</sup>

Class of Materials	Sub-class of Materials	Materials	Annualized contributions ¢/kg	Credit for recycled content (Threshold to achieve <sup>2</sup> )
		<ul> <li>Newsprint inserts and circulars</li> </ul>	16.393	80%
		<ul> <li>Catalogues and publications</li> </ul>	26.204	50%
Printed matter		Magazines	26.204	50%
Printed matter		Telephone books	26.204	80%
		Paper for general use	26.204	80%
		Other printed matter	26.204	80%
		Corrugated cardboard	14.920	
		Kraft paper shopping bags	14.920	
		Kraft wrapping paper	14.920	
	Paperboard	Boxboard and other paper packaging	11.893	
		Gable-top containers	21.012	
		Paper laminants	21.012	
		Aseptic containers	21.012	
		PET bottles	20.793	
		HDPE bottles	16.781	
		Plastic laminants	34.361	
Containers and	Plastics	Plastic HDPE and LDPE films	34.361	
Packaging		HDPE, LDPE plastic shopping bags and others	34.361	
		Expanded Polystyrene	41.020	
		Non expanded Polystyrene	41.020	
		PET containers	22.218	
		Polylactic acid (PLA)	41.020	
		Other plastics, polymers and polyurethane	22.218	
	Aluminum	Food and beverages aluminum containers	8.521	
		Other aluminum packaging		
	Steel	Aerosol containers     Other steel containers	9.617	
		Other steel containers     Clear glass	3.740	
	Glass	Coloured glass	3.323	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For the calculation of the contribution for each of the obligation years 2010, 2011 or 2012, the Targeted Persons must, without fail, for the purposes of the application of Chapters 4 and 5 of the Schedule, declare the materials that were marketed in Québec for the twelve (12) months comprised between January 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup> of the reference year, that is prescribed in section 4.1 of the Schedule.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A credit of 20% for the payable contribution is granted to Targeted Persons that generate printed matter of which the percentage (%) of recycled post-consumer content reaches or exceeds the established benchmark, when the Materials report is submitted within the prescribed delays. The credit is granted by way of a distinct invoice that is issued in the year following the limit to submit the Materials report. The **appropriate documentation** to determine the content of post-consumer recycled material **must be provided** to Éco Entreprises Québec **before the deadline to pay the contribution**. The content of the recycled material is an element which is taken into consideration when calculating the payable contribution pursuant to the 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph of section 53.31.14 of the Act.

# Contributions for the period from January 1<sup>st</sup>through December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011

Sub-class of Materials	Materials	Annualized contributions ¢/kg	Credit for recycled content (Threshold to achieve)
	<ul> <li>Newsprint inserts and circulars</li> </ul>	18.602	80%
	<ul> <li>Catalogues and publications</li> </ul>	29.754	50%
	Magazines	29.754	50%
	Telephone books	29.754	80%
	Paper for general use	20.754	80%
	Other printed matter	29.754	
	Corrugated cardboard	16.926	
	Kraft paper shopping bags	16.926	
	Kraft wrapping paper	16.926	
Paperboard	Boxboard and other paper packaging	13.485	
	Gable-top containers	23.851	
	Paper laminants		
	Aseptic containers		
	PET bottles		
	HDPE bottles		
	Plastic laminants		
Diastiss	Plastic HDPE and LDPE films		
Plastics	HDPE, LDPE plastic shopping bags and others		
	Expanded Polystyrene	46.553	
	Non expanded Polystyrene	46.553	
	PET containers	25.180	
	Polylactic acid (PLA)	46.553	
	<ul> <li>Other plastics, polymers and polyurethane</li> </ul>	25.180	
Aluminum	Food and beverages aluminum containers	9.606	
Steel		10.853	
		4 241	
Glass		1	
	Paperboard Plastics Aluminum Steel	Materials <ul> <li>Newsprint inserts and circulars</li> <li>Catalogues and publications</li> <li>Magazines</li> <li>Telephone books</li> <li>Paper for general use</li> <li>Other printed matter</li> <li>Corrugated cardboard</li> <li>Kraft paper shopping bags</li> <li>Kraft wrapping paper</li> <li>Boxboard and other paper packaging</li> <li>Gable-top containers</li> <li>Paper laminants</li> <li>Aseptic containers</li> </ul> <li>Plastics</li> <li>Plastic laminants</li> <li>Plastic HDPE bottles</li> <li>Plastic HDPE plastic shopping bags and others</li> <li>Expanded Polystyrene</li> <li>Non expanded Polystyrene</li> <li>Non expanded Polystyrene</li> <li>Polylactic acid (PLA)</li> <li>Other plastics, polymers and polyurethane</li> <li>Food and beverages aluminum containers</li> <li>Other aluminum packaging</li> <li>Aerosol containers</li> <li>Other aluminum packaging</li>	Materials¢/kg• Newsprint inserts and circulars18.602• Catalogues and publications29.754• Magazines29.754• Telephone books29.754• Paper for general use29.754• Other printed matter29.754• Corrugated cardboard16.926• Kraft paper shopping bags16.926• Kraft wrapping paper16.926• Kraft wrapping paper16.926• Boxboard and other paper packaging13.485• Gable-top containers23.851• Paper laminants23.851• Paper laminants23.851• Paper bottles19.000• Plastic containers23.851• PET bottles19.000• Plastic HDPE and LDPE films38.983• Plastic HDPE and LDPE films38.983• Plope, LDPE plastic shopping bags and others38.983• Polyclacic acid (PLA)46.553• PeT containers25.180• Polylactic acid (PLA)46.553• Other plastics, polymers and polyurethane25.180• Other aluminum packaging9.606• Other steel containers10.853• Other steel containers10.853• Clear glass4.241

# Contributions for the period from January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012

Class of Materials	Sub-class of Materials	Materials	Annualized contributions ¢/kg	Credit for recycled content (Threshold to achieve)
		Newsprint inserts and circulars	21.886	80%
		Catalogues and publications	35.090	50%
Printed matter		Magazines	35.090	50%
Printed matter		Telephone books	35.090	80%
		Paper for general use	25.000	80%
		Other printed matter	35.090	
		Corrugated cardboard	19.993	
		Kraft paper shopping bags	19,993	
		Kraft wrapping paper	19,993	
	Paperboard	Boxboard and other paper packaging	15.922	
		Gable-top containers	28,300	
		Paper laminants	28,300	
		Aseptic containers	28.300	
		PET bottles	27,663	
		HDPE bottles	22,249	
		Plastic laminants	46.386	
<b>Containers and</b>		Plastic HDPE and LDPE films	46.386	
Packaging	Plastics	HDPE, LDPE plastic shopping bags and others	46.386	
		Expanded Polystyrene	54.974	
		Non expanded Polystyrene	54.974	
		PET containers	29.610	
		Polylactic acid (PLA)	54.974	
		Other plastics, polymers and polyurethane	29.610	
	Aluminum	Food and beverages aluminum containers	11.067	
	,	Other aluminum packaging		
	Steel	Aerosol containers	12.596	
		Other steel containers		
	Glass	Clear glass	4.996	
		Coloured glass	4.434	

## **APPENDIX B: TARGETED PERSON REGISTRATION FORM**

#### REGISTRATION

### **Enterprise Information:**

Éco Entreprises Québec Enterprise Number Name of the Enterprise Address City Province / State / Country Postal Code Enterprise website Telephone number Fax number Type of commercial activities

## **Primary Contact for the Enterprise:**

The Enterprise's primary contact is the authorized person to represent the business with regard to its compensation regime obligations.

Last name First name Title Telephone number at work E-mail

## **DISCLOSURE OF THE TARGETED PERSON: Classification of your business**

Obligation year	Civil year <sup>3</sup> (where applicable)	Designated r ultimately int consume	ended for	receipts in Que than o	s sales, , revenue bec less or equal illion? <sup>4</sup>	Quantity in Queb than or metric	ec less equal 5
		Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
2010	2009 or 2010 as the case may be						
2011	2010						
2012	2011						

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Year considered to establish the obligation to contribute for the obligation year as determined in division 4.1 of the Schedule.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> According to the reference year, from January 1<sup>st</sup> of said year to December 31<sup>st</sup>, of same year, as determined by section 4.1.1 of the Schedule.

## Gross sales, receipts, revenues or other inflows of funds in Québec less than or equal to \$1,000,000?

 $\hfill Yes$   $\hfill No$  If yes, the Targeted Person is exempt from paying. If no, please proceed to the next question.

## Quantity of Materials marketed in Quebec inferior or equal to 1 metric ton?

□ Yes □ No If yes, the Targeted Person is exempt from paying. If no, please proceed to the next question.

## Retailer with only one retail outlet, which is not supplied or operated as a banner or as a franchise?

🗆 Yes 🛛 🗆 No

If yes, the Targeted Person is exempt from paying. If no, please proceed to the next question.

## Quantity of Materials marketed in Quebec superior to 1 metric ton and inferior or equal to 2.5 metric tons ?

🗆 Yes 🗆 No

If yes, the Targeted Person is admissible to pay a lump sum fixed at \$295 for the year 2010, \$335 for the year 2011 and \$395 for the year 2012. The Targeted Person may alternatively choose to proceed to file a complete Materials report and to pay the exact amount of the contribution determined pursuant to division 4.1 of the Schedule. If no, please proceed to the next question.

## Quantity of Materials marketed in Quebec superior to 2.5 metric tons and inferior or equal to 5 metric tons ?

🗆 Yes 🗆 No

If yes, the Targeted Person is admissible to pay the lump sum fixed at \$590 for the year 2010, \$670 for the year 2011 and \$775 for the year 2012. The Targeted Person may alternatively choose to file a complete Materials report and pay the exact amount of the contribution determined pursuant to division 4.1 of the Schedule. If no, the Targeted Person must fill out the Materials report and has access to the tools made available on demand.

## APPENDIX C: FORM FOR THE MATERIALS REPORT (IN KILOGRAMS)

# FOR THE MATERIALS MARKETED BETWEEN JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> AND DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2010 FOR THE OBLIGATION YEARS 2010 AND 2011

Printed matter		Newsprint inserts and circulars	in Qc- Kg
Printed matter		Catalanuas, and mublications	
		<ul> <li>Catalogues and publications</li> </ul>	
		Magazines	
		Telephone books	
		<ul> <li>Paper for general use</li> </ul>	
		Other printed matter	
		Corrugated cardboard	
		Kraft paper shopping bags	
		Kraft wrapping paper	
P	Paperboard	<ul> <li>Boxboard and other paper packaging</li> </ul>	
		Gable-top containers	
Containers and Packaging		Paper laminants	
ruckuging		Aseptic containers	
		PET bottles	
		HDPE bottles	
		Plastic laminants	
		Plastic HDPE and LDPE film	
Р	Plastics	<ul> <li>HDPE, LDPE plastic shopping bags and others</li> </ul>	
	lastics	Expanded Polystyrene	
		Non expanded Polystyrene	
		PET containers	
		<ul> <li>Other plastics, polymers and polyurethane</li> </ul>	
		Polylactic Acid (PLA)	
A	Aluminum       • Food and beverages aluminum containers         • Other aluminum packaging         Steel       • Aerosol containers         • Other steel containers		_
S			-
	Glass	Other steel containers     Clear glass	
	31055	Clear glass     Coloured glass	

# FOR THE MATERIALS MARKETED BETWEEN JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> AND DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2011 FOR THE OBLIGATION YEAR 2012

Class of Materials	Sub-class of Materials	Materials	Declaration of quantities marketed in Qc- Kg
		<ul> <li>Newsprint inserts and circulars</li> </ul>	
Printed matter		<ul> <li>Catalogues and publications</li> </ul>	
		Magazines	
		Telephone books	
		Paper for general use	
		Other printed matter	
		Corrugated cardboard	
		Kraft paper shopping bags	
		Kraft wrapping paper	
	Paperboard	Boxboard and other paper packaging	
		Gable-top containers	
Containers and Packaging		Paper laminants	
Fackaging		Aseptic containers	
		PET bottles	
		HDPE bottles	
		Plastic laminants	
		Plastic HDPE and LDPE film	
	Plastics	HDPE, LDPE plastic shopping bags and others	
		Expanded Polystyrene	
		Non expanded Polystyrene	
		PET containers	
		<ul> <li>Other plastics, polymers and polyurethane</li> </ul>	
		Polylactic Acid (PLA)	
	Aluminum	<ul> <li>Food and beverages aluminum containers</li> </ul>	4
	Other aluminum packaging		-
	Steel	Aerosol containers	-
		Other steel containers	
	Glass Clear glass		
		Coloured glass	

## Specific questions on the type of Materials marketed in order to complete each of the 2010, 2011 and 2012 Materials reports

Post-consumer recycled materials				
You reported having marketed "containers and packaging" and/or "printed matter". In order to apply new environmental criteria to be included in future Schedules, as stipulated in the Act, please indicate the proportion in percentage (%) by class of Materials that can be attributable to <b>post-consumer recyclable materials content</b> , as well as the proportion of said content.				
Class of Materials Proportion of post-consumer recycled materials out of total generated Percentage of				
Paperboard containers and packaging	%	%		
Plastic containers and packaging	%	%		
Metal containers and packaging	%	%		
Aluminum containers and packaging	%	%		
Glass containers and packaging	%	%		

## **Emerging materials**

You reported having marketed paperboard or plastic "containers and packaging". In order to consider new environmental criteria to be included in future Schedules, as stipulated by the Act, please indicate the proportion in percentage (%) by class of Materials that can be attributable to **Emerging materials** by giving a precise description of the Material as well as the percentage of this Material in your declared quantities.

Class of Materials	Percentage of emerging materials (out of category total)	
Paperboard containers and packaging reported		
Bamboo (bagasse)	%	
Eucalyptus	%	

Plastic containers and packaging reported	
Biodegradable and bio-oxodegradable	%
Compostable	%
PET opaque (black or red)	%

## **Required supplementary documents**

## Schedule for the years 2010, 2011 and 2012

Along with the Materials report, the Targeted Person shall provide, as per section 5.1.2 of the Schedule:

- a) A description of the methodology and data used to prepare the Targeted Person's registration form and Materials report;
- b) A description of the Materials excluded from the Materials report used to establish the Targeted Person's payable contribution;
- A description of deducted Materials from the Targeted Person's Materials report as well as the number of kilograms or the percentage applied according to the type of Material;
- d) A description of the containers, packaging and printed matters that the Targeted Person marketed and that are not mentioned in the Materials report, as well as, the quantity in kilograms of the marketed containers, packaging and printed matter;
- e) A list of Brands, Names and Distinguishing Guises that are covered in the Targeted Person's Materials report;
- f) A declaration as to the truthfulness of the information contained in the Targeted Person's Materials report.

Also, as stipulated in section 5.3.1 of the Schedule, Éco Entreprises Québec reserves the right to request from the Targeted Person any supplementary information, such as the complete list of the containers and packaging and printer matter covered by the Schedule, whether or not this information was used in the preparation of the Materials report, the data tables, audit reports, list of reported Brands and list of Brands excluded from the Materials report and the allocation of percentages that the Targeted Person used to establish its report.

## **Confirmation of certain obligations**

□ I confirm that I am the primary contact for the enterprise, which is to mean that I am the person authorized by the enterprise to represent it in the context of its obligations under the compensation regime. I confirm to have read the 2010, 2011 and 2012 Schedule of Contributions for "Containers and Packaging" and "Printed Matter" Classes, as it has been approved by the Government of Quebec. I declare that all the information mentioned in the registration form as well as that in the Materials reports for the relevant class of Materials by the enterprise are accurate. I recognize that the enterprise must conserve all the documents and any technological or other data support that it used to prepare the Materials report for the relevant class of Materials and this, during a period of five (5) years commencing from the date upon which the Materials report is transmitted.

## Authorization to disclose

□ The enterprise, through my participation, consents to Éco Entreprises Québec disclosing the name of the enterprise on a list which is comprised of the names of all persons who have respected the provisions of division 5.1 of the Schedule.

## APPENDIX D: DATES OF PAYMENT OF 2010, 2011 AND 2012 CONTRIBUTIONS

Pursuant to division 4.3 of the Schedule.

	Civil Year			
	2012 2013			
Payment date	September 26	January 31	September 26	
2010 Schedule	70 %	30 %		
2011 Schedule	70 %	30 %		
2012 Schedule		80 %	20 %	

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## O.C. 305-2012, 28 March 2012

An Act respecting the Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune (R.S.O., c. M-25.2)

Approval of a Program relating to a gratuitous transfer of land in the domain of the State in favour of northern municipalities

WHEREAS, on 9 May 2011, the Gouvernement du Québec unveiled the Plan Nord, which seeks to encourage the economic, social and environmental development of the territory situated north of the 49th parallel;

WHEREAS section 17.13 of the Act respecting the Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune (R.S.Q., c. M-25.2) allows the Minister, with the approval of the Government, to prepare programs for the development of lands in the domain of the State that are under the Minister's authority in order to encourage regional development or implement any other governmental policy;

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 17.14 of the Act, the Minister may, for the purposes of such programs, acquire any property, transfer the ownership of, authority over or administration of any land in the domain of the State that is under the Minister's authority and of the property situated thereon, transfer such land and property gratuitously, lease them or grant any other right therein to the legal person designated by the Minister; WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 17.16 of the Act respecting the Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune, the Government may, on the conditions it determines, entrust the direction and implementation of a program to the minister it designates;

WHEREAS it is expedient to have the Government approve a program relating to a gratuitous transfer of land in the domain of the State in favour of northern municipalities under the Plan Nord;

WHEREAS it is expedient to entrust the administration of the Program to the Minister of Natural Resources and Wildlife;

WHEREAS, under article 14.11 of the Municipal Code of Québec (R.S.Q., c. C-27.1) and under section 29.13 of the Cities and Towns Act (R.S.Q., c. C-19), every municipality may participate in a program prepared in accordance with Division II.2 of the Act respecting the Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Natural Resources and Wildlife and the Minister for Natural Resources and Wildlife:

THAT the Program relating to a gratuitous transfer of land in the domain of the State in favour of northern municipalities existing in the Plan Nord territory, attached to this Order in Council, be approved;

THAT the administration of the Program be entrusted to the Minister of Natural Resources and Wildlife.

GILLES PAQUIN, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif