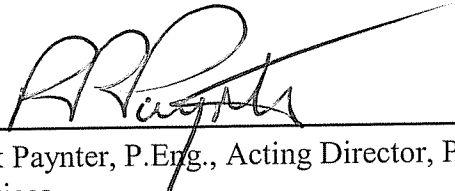

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TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:


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DATE: July 8, 2002

SUBJECT: **Quarterly Report for By-Law W-101 Respecting the Discharge of
Wastewater into Public Sewers**

INFORMATION REPORT

ORIGIN

At the Regional Council Meeting of July 17, 2001 (Item No. 9.1), Council approved the adoption of By-Law W-101 respecting the Discharge of Wastewater into Public Sewers. During the discussion of the by-law, Councillor Hetherington requested that quarterly reports be prepared for Council regarding the Pollution Prevention (P2) Program.

BACKGROUND

This report is the third quarterly report regarding the P2 Program, covering the period ending March 2002.

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DISCUSSION

Activities for this reporting period have continued to be focussed on the preparation of a tracking system to permit effective case management. Information such as business name, ownership, location, and details regarding correspondence, by-law notification, sampling, inspection and enforcement details are being compiled. Currently, 3329 of the estimated 5000 businesses in HRM have been recorded.

Activities covering the period ending March 31, 2001 are as follows:

Activity	To End of March, 2002	To End of December, 2001
Total ICI Locations in Database	3329	2511
Total ICI Locations Sampled	18	16
Total ICI Locations Inspected	56	41
Total Industrial Surveys Completed	23	21
Number of By-Law Notifications Issued	3	3
Number of By-Law Violations	7	7
Number of Compliance Programs	2	2
Number of Surcharge Agreements	0	0

In addition to the identified activities, educational and promotional information related to the P2 Program for Residential and Industrial-Commercial-Institutional (ICI) sectors has been provided through HRM's Naturally Green publication.

Staff has additionally responded to numerous telephone inquiries regarding the P2 Program. Response by telephone has provided the owners, operators or managers of businesses in HRM with direct information regarding By-Law W-101. A record will be kept of all direct telephone contacts regarding the P2 Program and reported as an activity in future quarterly reports.

In November of 2001, the Pollution Prevention Coordinator made a presentation to representatives of the Canadian Petroleum Products Institute. As a result of the presentation to the Canadian Petroleum Products Institute, a cooperative approach to providing information regarding pollution prevention has been developed.

Two Best Management Plans (BMP's) have been drafted through cooperation with CPPI and are currently undergoing a technical review. These BMP's are entitled Automotive Repair Operations and Vehicle Wash Operations.

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Additionally, a third BMP is underway to address the proper handling and disposal of fats, oil and grease as generated by restaurants and food processing businesses. This document is being prepared to be distributed as a resource to each food processing location at the time of staff inspection. It is staff's intent that BMP's will be distributed and used by businesses as standard templates for pollution prevention initiatives by the various business locations within HRM.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

None

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES/BUSINESS PLAN

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

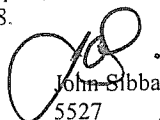
The P2 Program strongly supports the Strategic Directions established by Council in relation to public safety, planned growth, environmental and infrastructure maintenance. This initiative is identified in the Business Plan for Public Works and Transportation Services. Also, the P2 Program has been reviewed and is supported by the Provincial and Federal Governments, and is considered to be an integral component of the Harbour Solutions Project.

ALTERNATIVES

None recommended.

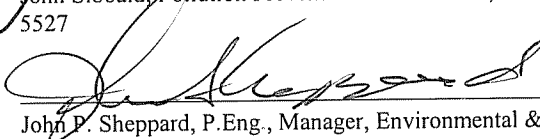
Additional copies of this report, and information on its status, can be obtained by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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