



**Plastics Project Municipal Conference Call #1 – Sept. 30/09  
Draft Attendees and Minutes**

***In attendance:***

Bonnie Ballam, City of Toronto  
Brent Marrison, York Region  
Cameron Neale, City of Ottawa  
John Baldry, Toronto  
Geoff Love, Love Environment  
Jerry Biersteker, Region of Waterloo  
John Dixie, StewardEdge  
John Giles, City of Kingston  
Karen Fraser, Armour Township  
Karl Allen, Northumberland County  
L. Biliko, Waste Services Inc.  
Martin Vogt, EFS Plastics

Margot Beverley, To the Point Communications  
Mike Birett, CIF  
Mike Schedler, NAPCOR  
Phil Zigby, Guelph  
Rob Rennie, Peel Region  
Shaun Spalding, York Region  
Shirley McLean, Halton Region  
Sue Campbell, OVWRC  
Wilma Bureau, Simcoe County  
Linda Caston, Wellington County  
Herb Lambacher, HCG Management

***Introduction***

Mike Birett (CIF Project Manager) welcomed participants and completed a roll call (participants listed above). He then turned over the call to Geoff Love (Love Environment, under contract to CIF for plastics projects) for the duration of the presentation.

***Update on CIF Plastics-related Projects***

Referring to a presentation that had been provided to callers, Geoff Love provided a profile of CIF plastics initiatives and a summary of 3 key projects:

- NAPCOR thermoform PET Project
- EFS film 3-7 rigids
- Entropex #1-7 rigid plastics pilot

The remainder of the presentation comprised additional detail about the NAPCOR thermoform PET project (Mike Schedler, NAPCOR Technical Director of NAPCOR joined the call later). To view the presentation, please see [Sept 30 slides \(print version\)](#)

***Questions/comments***

During and following the presentation, callers were invited to ask questions and provide comments. A summary of some of the questions/comments follow:

***NAPCOR project:***

A: Does the NAPCOR pilot accept plastic egg cartons?

A: Yes

Q: When will the NAPCOR thermoform PET project results be available?

A: We expect to have initial, useful end market data by end of year concerning results of the first loads

Q: Can you confirm when materials will move in connection with the project?

A: 4-6 months is a guess; facility locations at this time include: in SE, SW and NE United States with one quite close to Canadian border. We are also working with potential Canadian based end markets.

*Related items/other projects:*

Q: Do these projects build on the central plastics recycling facility (PRF) concept?

A: These projects are not directly connected to the PRF issue but the question is timely and CIF is open to exploring it if municipalities express an interest in the matter.

Participant comment: Key issue for Toronto is that materials not be cherry-picked; due diligence is increasingly important to ensure that materials are not being inappropriately exported

Q: What is the EFS price for post consumer film?

A: Approx. \$10/tonne depending on quality (assuming 65% recovery of PE/PP). The EFS project is focus of the next call and more information will be available then.

Q: Has anybody heard of a recent ParPak announcement re PET recycling?

A: Yes, they are NAPCOR members; CIF will post information on their announcement on the website

*CIF Q: Is CIF on the right track with this plastics work?*

Muni comment: yes, plastics are an important part of what municipalities market and we need the markets, so CIF needs to be involved in helping to develop markets

CIF response: the EFS film market is unique in North America and is located in Ontario. CIF also reaffirmed that stewards have the lead responsibility for finding/developing markets for blue box plastics, but CIF has a role to play in stimulating action and assisting municipalities in dealing with system changes to enhance recovery.

*Action Items:*

- In response to questions re: Burnbrae farms and their use of PET (in connection with Star writer Ellen Moorhouse' enquiry): CIF commitment to follow up with John Baldry (Toronto) on question of Burnbrae farms and PET
- CIF to post ParPak plastics announcement plus meeting minutes
- CIF to send out Martin Vogt's (EFS) contact information prior to next conference call
- CIF to distribute brief survey to solicit feedback on this forum and report back on results at the next call

***Next Conference Call:***

Wednesday, October 28, 9:00 a.m.

Topic: EFS film/3-7 rigids reprocessing project

Invitation to be sent mid month; open call and all are welcome