



British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Quebec Associations

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By email attachment

Used Oil Management Association (UOMA) Member/Registrant

Dear UOMA Member/Registrant

La Société de gestion des huiles usagées (SOGHU), Manitoba Association for Resource Recovery Corporation (MARRC), Saskatchewan Association for Resource Recovery Corporation (SARRC), Alberta Used Oil Management Association (AUOMA) and British Columbia Used Oil Management Association (BCUOMA) have all recently reviewed their remittance rate schedules for Environmental Handling Charges (EHC).

Associations' revenue to expenditure ratios have been declining significantly and in at least two cases have become negative. The Associations have worked diligently together at managing programs and program costs, including Return Incentives paid to Collectors and Processors for recycling used oil materials. However, given the higher cost of programs, the insufficient return from revenue and the lack of EHC rate increase (it has never been changed), the Associations through their national affiliation, the National Used Oil Material Advisory Council (NUOMAC), agreed to seek a modest EHC increase from members/registrants of their associations. Extensive consultation was undertaken and a strong effort was made to consolidate a proposed level of increase across the provinces. The latter was not possible but the increases to EHCs have been agreed upon according to the following plan:

- ◆ For **SOGHU** – effective **January 1, 2010**, a \$0.05/L increase, to **\$0.10/Litre/container size**, to plastic oil containers, ratified at the Board meeting on March 31, 2009, article 9.5 (For more details you can review the Board's motion on SOGHU's website www.soghu.com, Members section). No increase to oil or filters.
- ◆ For **MARRC** – possibly effective **May 1, 2010**, a \$0.05/L increase, to **\$0.10/Litre/container size**, to plastic oil containers, ratified by separate membership vote at the joint MARRC/SARRC Annual General Meetings in Saskatoon on April 21st, 2009. No increase to oil or filters. **Please note**, at this point MARRC has not received a decision from Manitoba Conservation on its request for an increase. Upon receipt of a decision a separate letter will be issued accordingly.
- ◆ For **SARRC** – effective **January 1, 2010**, a \$0.05/L increase, to **\$0.10/Litre/container size**, to plastic oil containers, ratified by separate membership vote at the joint SARRC/MARRC Annual General Meetings in Saskatoon on April 21st, 2009. No increase to oil or filters.
- ◆ For **BCUOMA** – effective **October 1, 2009**, a 0.05/L increase, to **\$0.10/Litre/container size**, to plastic oil containers and for oil filters, a \$0.05 increase for filters less than 203 cm (8 inches) and \$0.25 increase for filters 203 cm (8 inches) and greater, to **\$0.55 and \$1.25 respectively**, ratified by membership vote at their Annual General Meeting on June 8th, 2009 in Abbotsford. No increase to oil. A notice from BCUOMA to its members was sent out on June 24th.

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- ◆ For **AUOMA** – where EHC level is subject directly to Government of Alberta Regulation, **no change in EHC levels is scheduled at this time**. The Association had participated in an extensive regulatory review, including public and stakeholder surveys and planned to amend the regulation on EHC in keeping with SOGHU, MARRC and SARRC. However, AUOMA does not have regulatory approval to proceed. The regulatory and funding plan will be revisited this year in hope of resolving regulatory and financial deficiencies as soon as possible. Members will be notified in advance of any approved change to EHC.

If you have any questions or need to download the necessary documents to implement the required changes, you can find us through our common website, www.usedoilrecycling.com.

Thank you for your on-going co-operation and support of the used oil material recycling programs.

Yours truly

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