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Dear Robyn Collver and Robert Poirier:

In response to comments I have received from stakeholders and pursuant to Section 14 of the *Waste Diversion Transition Act, 2016*, I am directing Stewardship Ontario (SO) to develop amendments to the wind-up plan for the waste diversion program for municipal hazardous or special waste (MHSW) that include the following timelines.

These timelines will apply to the wind up of all designated wastes under the waste diversion program for MHSW, except for single-use batteries which have already transitioned to the producer responsibility framework:

- The waste diversion program for MHSW will cease operation on September 30, 2021.
- To accommodate this extension, SO must develop an amendment to the wind-up plan and submit it to the Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority (RPRA) for approval no later than May 31, 2021.
- It is my expectation that RPRA will approve the amendment no later than June 30, 2021.

All other elements of the wind-up plan for the waste diversion program for MHSW shall remain unchanged except as necessary to implement this direction.

I am also directing SO and RPRA to make this letter publicly available on their websites.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Yurek".

Jeff Yurek  
Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

c: Serge Imbrogno, Deputy Minister, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks  
Frank Denton, CEO, Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority