

June 22, 2021

Ms. Susan Lo Administrator, Stewardship Ontario 1 St. Clair Ave. West, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto, ON M4V 1K6

Dear Ms. Lo,

## RE: Approval of Program Extension Addendum to the MHSW Wind Up Plan

I am writing to advise you as Administrator of Stewardship Ontario (SO) that the Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority ("the Authority") has approved SO's proposed Program Extension Addendum to the Wind Up Plan for the Municipal Hazardous or Special Waste (MHSW) Program.

The Authority's approval of the Program Extension Addendum does not include any conditions and allows the MHSW Program to continue operating an additional 3 months until September 30, 2021, as directed by the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks on April 29, 2021.

The Authority's approval applies to the wind up of all designated wastes managed through the MHSW Program, except for single-use batteries which transitioned to the new producer responsibility framework outlined in the Batteries Regulation on June 30, 2020.

The Authority's approval was based on stakeholder feedback received through both SO's consultation held in May 2021 and the Authority's consultation held between May 31 and June 11, as well as an assessment of the addendum's compliance with the Minister's directions. A summary of the feedback received during the Authority's consultation will be posted to the Authority's website along with this approval letter.

SO may communicate the Authority's approval of the Addendum to the Wind Up Plan only after the Authority publishes its decision on its website.

Thank you for your collaboration in this process and we look forward to supporting the smooth and ongoing wind-up of the MHSW Program until the program ceases operations on September 30, 2021.

Sincerely,

Robert Poirier

Chair, Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority

cc. Frank Denton, CEO, Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority