

STAFF REPORT

Department: Environmental Services and Special Projects

Date: April 5, 2024

Item: Product Care Agreement for the Collection of lighting products for HHWD.

Recommendation: Be It Resolved That: The Town of Espanola enter into an agreement with Product Care Association for payment of the collection of light bulbs during our Household Hazardous Waste Day Event.

Background:

- The Municipality has been hosting Household Hazardous Waste Day Events (HHWD) for several decades.
- The cost of the event is offset from payments from the producers that manufacture the items. Product Care Association is an association responsible for managing the payments for the collection of lights.
- The collection of lighting items has been expanded beyond the collection of Fluorescent tubes and Compact Florescent Light. The program must include Halogen/incandescent Light, LED and miniature bulbs. The program excludes fixtures, ballasts and string lights.
- The collection of lights and its expansion is not a significant volume of waste collected and would likely approach 1 tonne.

Analysis:

- The majority of these lighting items have been collected for years.
- We currently have an agreement with Product Care Association for the collection numerous HHWD categories like paints, pesticides, flammable liquids etc.
- Entering into an agreement ensures payment for items that we are already collecting. The municipality would receive \$2,400/tonne of waste collected.
- Staff estimate that we would collect approximately 1 tonne of waste.



Existing Policy: The Municipality has a number of agreements to receive payment for the collection of HHWD waste products

Strategic Goal: Effective Municipal Governance and Operations

Financial Commitment: Revenue of \$2,400/tonne of lighting waste collected

Budgeted: **Yes** ☒ **No** ☐

Implementation: Contracts are effective January 1, 2023

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Approval of Recommendation: **Yes** ☒ **No** ☐

Comments: