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**From:** FONOM Office/ Bureau de FONOM <fonom.info@gmail.com>  
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**Subject:** Resolution for Consideration - Expanding EPR to the ICI sector

Good morning                      Please share this email with your Mayor, Council and Senior Management

The BlueBox and recycling are essential to many of your citizens. In Northeastern Ontario, municipalities will transition to Full Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) for the household BlueBox program over the next few years. EPR will be important for the Province of Ontario, as producers/stewards will soon create a sustainable circulatory economy for the paper, packaging and products a household recycles.

Producers/Stewards are not responsible for products purchased within the Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional (ICI) sectors. Products recycled at home are disposed of by an ICI-funded program or landfilled.

All municipalities are concerned with the lifespan of landfills, and FONOM believes it is important that the Province and the Producers/Stewards start discussing the transition to a producer-funded EPR system for the recyclables generated by the ICI Sector.

We ask your council to consider supporting the draft resolution below.

I am happy to answer any questions you may have.

WHEREAS under Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box, producers are fully accountable and financially responsible for their products and packaging once they reach their end of life and are disposed of, for 'eligible' sources only;

AND WHEREAS 'ineligible' sources which producers are not responsible for including businesses, places of worship, daycares, campgrounds, public-facing and internal areas of municipal-owned buildings and not-for-profit organizations, such as shelters and food banks;

AND WHEREAS should a municipality continue to provide services to the 'ineligible' sources, the municipality will be required to oversee the collection, transportation, and processing of the recycling, assuming 100% of the costs;

AND WHEREAS these costs will further burden the municipalities' finances and potentially take resources away from vital infrastructure projects;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the \_\_\_\_\_ hereby request that the province amend Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box so that producers are responsible for the end-of-life management of recycling products from all sources;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, **Your Local MPP**, AMO, ROMA and FONOM

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