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INFORMATION NOTICE FOR END-OF-LIFE VEHICLE WASTE DISPOSAL SITES

Are you prepared for regulatory changes affecting sites that manage end-of-life vehicles (ELVs) in Ontario?

The Ontario Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change regulates the management of ELVs in Ontario. On March 31, 2016 regulatory changes were enacted with new requirements that affect any site that manages ELVs in Ontario.

The management of ELVs includes collecting, handling, transporting, storing, processing, or disposing of ELVs. If your site has any current involvement with ELVs or you have historically stored ELVs on your site, it is likely that the new requirements will apply to you.

If you manage ELVs, you are required by law to register your site on the Environmental Activity and Sector Registry (EASR) or obtain an Environmental Compliance Approval (ECA). The EASR is an online self-registration system. ELV waste disposal sites can register on the EASR if they meet the eligibility criteria set out in *Ontario Regulation 85/16: Registrations Under Part II.2 of the Act - End-of-Life Vehicles*.

If your site meets the EASR eligibility criteria, you must register by September 30, 2016.

In the event that your site does not meet the EASR criteria, you are required to obtain an ECA. ECAs are site specific approvals that involve a more complex application process. An ELV site that cannot register on the EASR must obtain an ECA by September 30, 2017. The ECA application process requires that you submit documents to the Ministry with detailed information about your site and activities, such as technical reports. You must contact the Ministry to begin the process well in advance of the deadline to ensure that you will meet the compliance date. In the event that your site meets the EASR eligibility criteria and you already have an existing ECA for the site, you have until March 31, 2018 to register on the EASR.

The Ministry has developed an online survey to help you understand the new regulatory requirements and determine any actions that you must take. **Complete this survey to determine if you can register your ELV site on the EASR or if you need to apply for an ECA: www.research.net/r/ELV**

By September 30, 2017 **all** sites managing ELVs must meet operational requirements, including depollution, spills prevention, proper waste storage, training, record-keeping and mitigating air/noise emissions.

If you do not register your ELV waste disposal site or obtain an ECA, or comply with the above requirements, the Ministry can take compliance or enforcement action against you, such as orders, investigations and prosecutions. Beginning in October, 2016 the ministry will begin its follow-up with non-registered sites.

For further information, you are encouraged to visit the following websites:

- EASR registration process: www.ontario.ca/page/environmental-activity-and-sector-registry
- ECA application process: www.ontario.ca/page/environmental-approvals

or if you have any questions contact the Environmental Approvals Access and Service Integration Branch by emailing EAASIBgen@ontario.ca or calling 1-800-461-6290.