## Auto Parts Company fined \$3,000 for Failing to Register on the Activity Sector Registration

Convicted - Ace Auto Parts Inc.

Court Location – Woodstock

**Description of Offence –** The conviction relates to failing to comply with a ministry order by failing to register on the ministry's Environmental Activity Sector Registry as an End-of-Life Vehicle site.

**Date of Offence –** During the period beginning on or about November 4, 2017 and ending on or about February 6, 2018

Date of Conviction - January 11, 2019

**Penalty Imposed** – Ace Auto Parts Inc. was convicted of one violation under the Environmental Protection Act, was fined \$3,000 plus a victim fine surcharge of \$750 with six months to pay. The two remaining counts were withdrawn at the request of the Crown.

## Background -

- Ace Auto Parts Inc. operates an automotive salvage business located in the Town of Ingersoll (the site).
- On September 28, 2017, ministry staff conducted an inspection at the site and determined that the company was operating an End-of-Life Vehicle site that was generating waste oil and had not registered on the Environmental Activity Sector Registry, as required.
- As a result, ministry staff issued an Order which required a variety of work to be completed by specific dates, in order to meet legislative requirements. The company complied with some parts of the Order, but failed to register on the Environmental Activity Sector Registry.
- The ministry's Investigations and Enforcement Branch investigated and laid charges which resulted in a conviction on one count.

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