

Presentation for General Committee - An Update on Program Results - March 2007

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Program Overview

MECO/MissionGreen partnership with PowerStream

- Launched: Nov. 6th Mar. 5th 2007
- Purpose: to retire old, inefficient refrigerators, freezers and window air conditioners by collecting them from inside peoples' homes
- Target: 1000 appliances and approximately 1,000,000 kWh of electricity savings
- Customer benefits: free in-house collection; up to \$150/year in electricity savings; gift bag that included 1 free CFL, fridge magnet and information on energy conservation tips and purchasing energy efficiency products







Process & Logistics

- Appointments were booked through the Contact Centre curb side collection option was still available in addition to the new in-home collection service
 - Clearly the in-home service was a key driver 67% of appliances were picked up from inside the home - 33% from the curb
 - While the residents participating in the in-home collection received a gift bag, this was not advertised as an incentive, therefore was not a driver
 - Positive feedback received from residents:
 - ".....Very pleased with the service as the fridge is at least 50 years old (and still works!) but was unable to remove it myself. Thanks for offering the program!" - Town of Markham resident





Disposal of Appliances

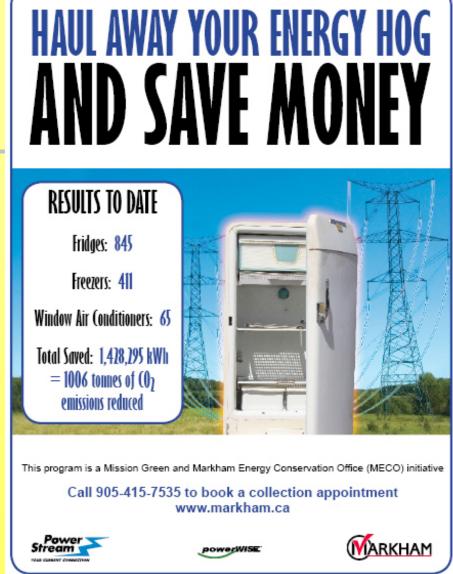
- All appliances (in-home collection and curb side) were taken to the Operations Yard at 555 Miller Avenue:
 - CFC refrigerant removed and destroyed
 - Compressor oil drained
 - Mercury switches removed
 - Appliances crushed on site and sold to a recycler (Town receives approximately \$75/tonne)
 - Recycler shreds material sends to Hamilton for smelting
 - Unfortunately, there is no market for foam, rigid plastic or glass shelving that may fall out during the crushing process – this ends up in landfill ⁽³⁾





Program Results

- 1321 appliances collected
 - 845 fridges
 - 411 freezers
 - 65 window air conditioners
- Saved 1,478,295 kWh
- Reduced CO₂ emissions by 1006 tonnes







Program Results - Cont'd

- Average kWh/year for old appliances: fridges 1200¹, freezers 900², A/C – 683³
- C0₂ emissions in tonnes .704 kg/MWh⁴
- GHG savings equivalency calculator 218 number of passenger vehicles removed from the road per year -

http://www.usctcgateway.net/tool/

¹ Report by SeeLine Group Inc. - *Technology Assessment Study and TRC Analysis for the Ontario Power Authority, December 2005 for refrigerators and freezers*

² Ibid.

- ³ Report by Clean Air Foundation Keep Cool Addendum to Final Report 2006 Emissions Savings and Ozone Depleting Substance Recovery
- ⁴ Bullfrog Power Emissions Calculator <u>www.bullfrogpower.com/about/faq.cfm#q9a</u>





Program Costs

Shared between MECO/MissionGreen & PowerStream

ITEM	COST	80/20 Cost Share b/w PS & Town
In-house collection	\$41,388.00	PS
CFL give-aways @ \$2.50/unit	\$1,952.50	PS
Advertising & promotion	\$4,332,18	Town
Additional CFC extraction	\$517.50	Town
Additional crushing/loading	\$5,097.95	Town
TOTAL COST	\$53,288.13	





Next Steps

- Ontario Power Authority planning to launch Province-wide appliance retirement initiative starting June 15, 2007
- OPA will lead program with no formal input or role for municipalities and role for LDCs appears to be limited to local promotion
- OPA will contract 3rd party service providers to collect appliances from inside homes and will transport them to two locations within the Province for thorough decommissioning
- MECO working with PowerStream to see if there is an opportunity to continue our program in the way that it is currently being delivered



