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Ms. Krista Friesen
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Dear Ms. Friesen:

In follow up to the May 19, 2011 letter from the Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Institute of Canada (HRAI), I hereby revoke the approval issued to Summerhill Impact on April 14, 2011 for Switch the 'Stat: Manitoba Stewardship Plan for Mercury-Containing Thermostats.

In accordance with Section 6 of the *Household Hazardous Material and Prescribed Material Stewardship Regulation of The Waste Reduction and Prevention Act*, approval for the above-named program has been reissued to HRAI. A copy of the letter will be sent to you for your records.

Yours sincerely,

Bill Blaikie
Minister

c.c. Warren Heeley, President, HRAI



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Mr. Warren Heeley
President
Heating, Refrigeration and Air
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Dear Mr. Heeley:

I am pleased to issue an Approval to the Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Institute of Canada (HRAI) for Switch the 'Stat: Manitoba Stewardship Plan for Mercury-Containing Thermostats, dated July 28, 2010. Pursuant to Section 7(4) of the *Household Hazardous Material and Prescribed Material Stewardship Regulation of The Waste Reduction and Prevention (WRAP) Act*, this Approval expires on December 31, 2016.

This Approval is issued under Section 6 of the *Household Hazardous Material and Prescribed Material Stewardship Regulation of The WRAP Act* and is subject to HRAI meeting the following conditions:

1. That HRAI implement the Manitoba Stewardship Plan for Mercury-Containing Thermostats, beginning April 1, 2011, substantially in accordance with its intent, consistent with the requirements of *The WRAP Act*, the Regulation, and the *Household Hazardous Material and Prescribed Material Stewardship Guideline*, as approved and amended from time to time.
2. That HRAI identify a senior official as a contact person to work with my officials throughout the term of this Approval to ensure continued compliance with the conditions of this Approval.
3. That HRAI cooperate with my officials and provide such assistance as they may deem necessary so that my officials are able to prepare reports and provide me with information assessing whether HRAI has implemented the Manitoba Stewardship Plan for Mercury-Containing Thermostats substantially in accordance with its intent and in accordance with the conditions of this Approval.
4. That HRAI advise my officials about any proposed changes to the details of the plan, prior to making any changes to the Manitoba Stewardship Plan for Mercury-Containing Thermostats so that my officials may consider whether the proposed changes are consistent with the conditions of this Approval and in particular, whether the proposed changes may impact on the continued effectiveness of the Manitoba Stewardship Plan for Mercury-Containing Thermostats.
5. That pursuant to 4(2) of the Regulation, HRAI submit a comprehensive plan for an education and awareness program for the Manitoba Stewardship Plan for Mercury-Containing Thermostats, and consult with my officials with regard to the proposed communication strategies that will be used to facilitate the implementation of the Program.

6. That HRAI provide information to my officials to address the following matters to my satisfaction:
 - a. A schedule to establish and implement the Manitoba Stewardship Plan for Mercury-Containing Thermostats;
 - b. A dispute resolution procedure in accordance with the Guideline;
 - c. Strategies to provide services in First Nation and remote communities; and
 - d. A comprehensive first year program budget.
7. That HRAI negotiate an agreement with Green Manitoba for support services related to operation of the Program.
8. That HRAI establish working relationships with other stewardship programs in Manitoba to facilitate public and stakeholder education and awareness and maximize recovery of designated materials.
9. That HRAI submit an application for renewal of this Approval by May 1, 2016, so as to ensure adequate time for public review.

If I am not satisfied that HRAI is implementing the plan substantially in accordance with its intent or where I have concluded, based on such other factors as I or my officials have determined to be relevant in the circumstances, that the plan or the terms of this Approval should be amended, then amended conditions may be imposed as deemed appropriate.

I also wish to remind you that under Section 11(1) of the *Household Hazardous Material and Prescribed Material Stewardship Regulation*, as Minister, I have the authority to suspend or cancel the Approval of the Manitoba Stewardship Plan for Mercury-Containing Thermostats at any time if there is a breach by HRAI, as operator of the Program, of either *The WRAP Act* or the Regulation.

Any notices to be provided to department officials pursuant to this Approval shall be submitted in writing to: Laurie Streich, Director, Pollution Prevention Branch, Manitoba Conservation, 160 - 123 Main Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3C 1A5.

I look forward to the implementation of the Manitoba Stewardship Plan for Mercury-Containing Thermostats and to expanding the opportunities for Manitobans to safely dispose of household hazardous waste.

Yours sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
BILL BLAIKIE

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Minister

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Ms. Krista Friesen, Summerhill Impact
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