



November 8, 2017

## Memo from TSS Board Chair – PSP Approval Announcement

The Tire Stewardship of Saskatchewan Inc. (TSS) has been operating the scrap tire recycling program in the province on a status quo basis since September 1, 2017 as a transition from the wind down of the Saskatchewan Scrap Tire Corporation (SSTC). I would like to thank the TSS' founding organizations (the Retail Council of Canada and the Western Canada Tire Dealers), the TSS Board of Directors, the Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment, our contracted service providers, our stakeholders and the SSTC for their support during this period of change.

In September, the TSS submitted our proposed Product Stewardship Program (PSP) plans to the Minister of Environment and requested approval to operate the program effective January 1, 2018 for the next three years. I am very pleased to share that this approval from the Minister was received on October 19. Our PSP and its approval by the Minister is a requirement under *The Scrap Tire Management Regulations*.

The TSS' PSP for 2018 – 2020 is posted on our website at [www.tirestewardship.sk.ca](http://www.tirestewardship.sk.ca). Our PSP sets the direction for the scrap tire stewardship program in Saskatchewan for the next three years. Our focus is on continuous improvements to the program and its administration over this time period. It highlights some of the key changes and opportunities that the TSS looks forward to implementing in the years ahead. Our vision as a program operator is in being the best tire recycling program in Canada. To ensure continuous service to our retailers and to minimize impacts to our service providers and stakeholders, we will make these changes in collaboration and with consultation over time. In other words, changes will not be implemented right away on January 1<sup>st</sup>. However throughout 2018, the TSS will communicate openly the changes being considered and implemented in collaboration with the industry. These changes will address future needs as supported by the consumer, retailers and the industry.

In addition, we look forward to announcing in the weeks ahead the hiring of our Executive Director who will be responsible for managing the program and implementing the PSP under the direction and oversight of the TSS Board of Directors.

We will be reaching out to our retailers and service providers in the weeks ahead to renew agreements to ensure continued service as of January 1, 2018 and to start on this journey of an improved scrap tire recycling program in the province. In the meantime, the TSS will continue to operate the program status quo to the end of 2017. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact the TSS office at 1-833-790-1894 (toll free) or [contactus@tirestewardship.sk.ca](mailto:contactus@tirestewardship.sk.ca).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Colin Fraser", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Colin Fraser

TSS Board of Director, Chair  
Tire Stewardship of Saskatchewan Inc.