



Modernization of Approvals
November 2011

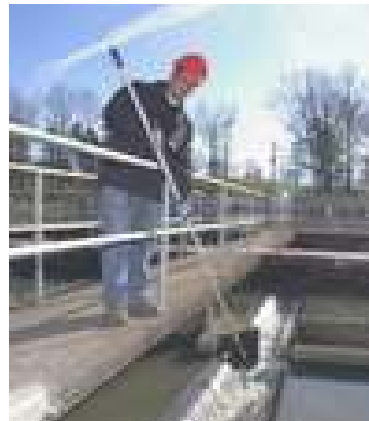
Goal for Modernizing Approvals

To improve and enhance interactions, the new environmental approvals process provides:

- A new, online business self-registration process for select activities and sectors
 - Established service delivery standards
 - Online tools including guidance and “smart-form” applications
 - Transparency of approval-related information that protects privacy and confidentiality
-
- **No change to environmental standards or the Ministry’s mandate**
 - **Gradual implementation to ensure successful transition**

Our Role as a Regulatory Agency

- Identify risk to human health and the environment
- Affect behaviour change in the regulated community with the aim of protecting the environment
- Require compliance with legislation and encourage or incent beyond compliance activities



How We Identify Non-Compliance Today

- Community or Public Complaints
- Spill reports
- Notifications from the regulated community
- Inspections
- Report submissions
- Ministry audits and investigations
- Applications to investigate under the Environmental Bill of Rights
- Information provided by other agencies



Modernization of Approvals Processes

.....

Electronic service delivery

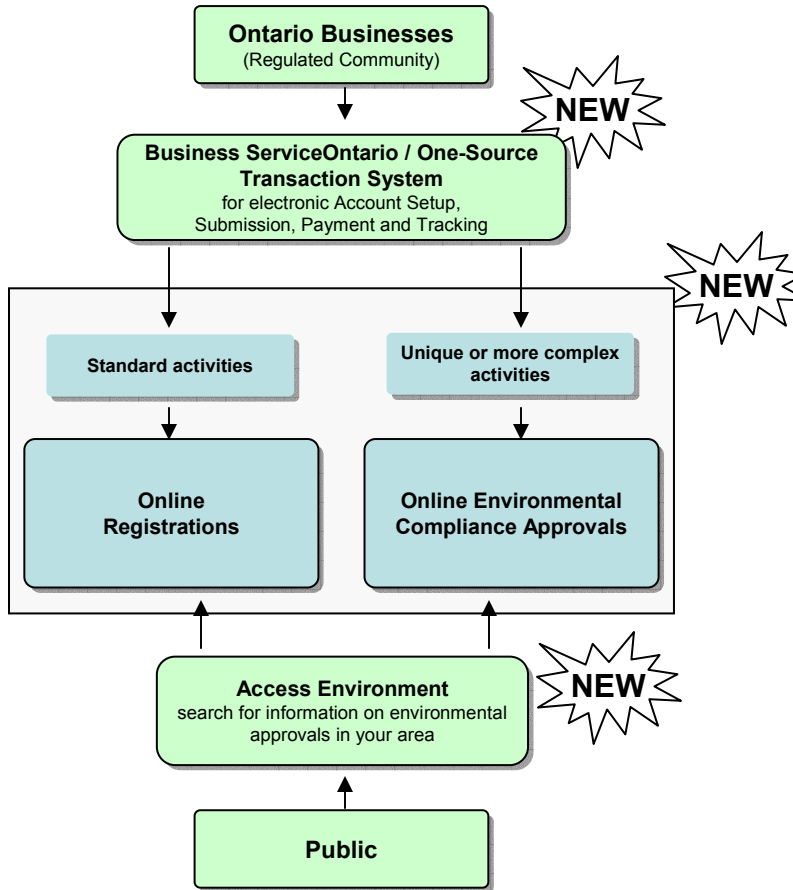
.....

Two path process for protecting the environment

.....

Public transparency

.....



Organizational Changes

- Organizational changes have occurred to support the Modernization of Approvals initiative.
- Two branches have been created- Environmental Approvals Access and Service Integration Branch (EAASIB) and Environmental Approvals Branch (EAB).
- EAASIB (Doris Dumais, Director): Manages the environmental registry and customer service elements of the modernization of approvals services.
- EAB (Agatha Garcia-Wright, Director): Manages the technical focused elements of the modernized approval services and the coordination of environmental assessment projects.
- The two independent branches will work closely together ensuring seamless customer service and quality decision-making.

Environmental Compliance Approval (ECA)

Environmental Compliance Approval Process

.....

Electronic service delivery

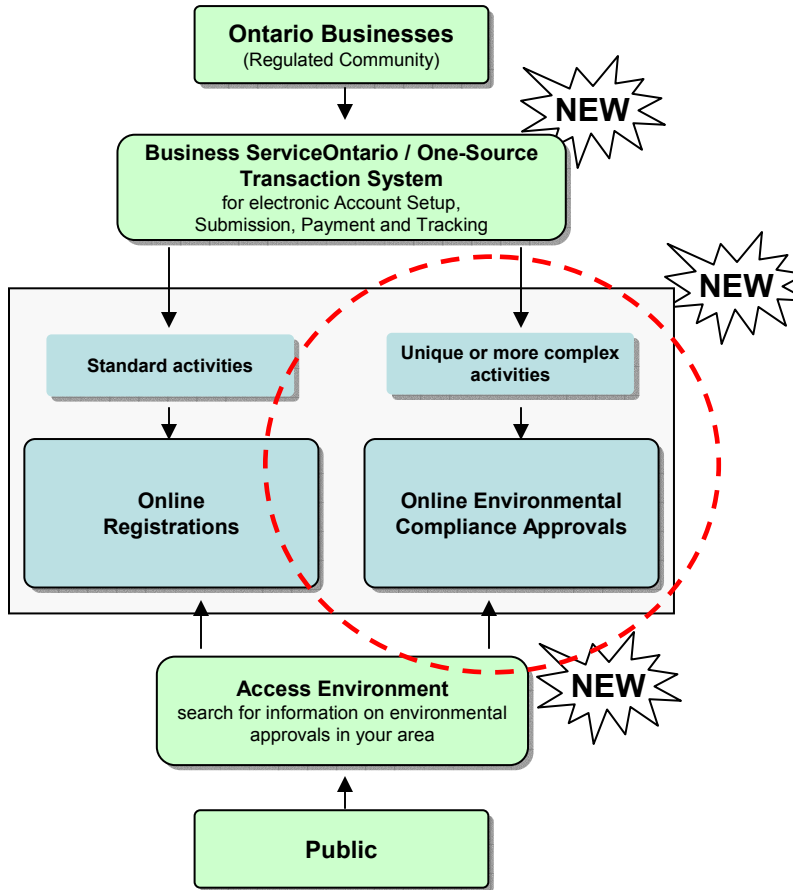
.....

Two path process for protecting the environment

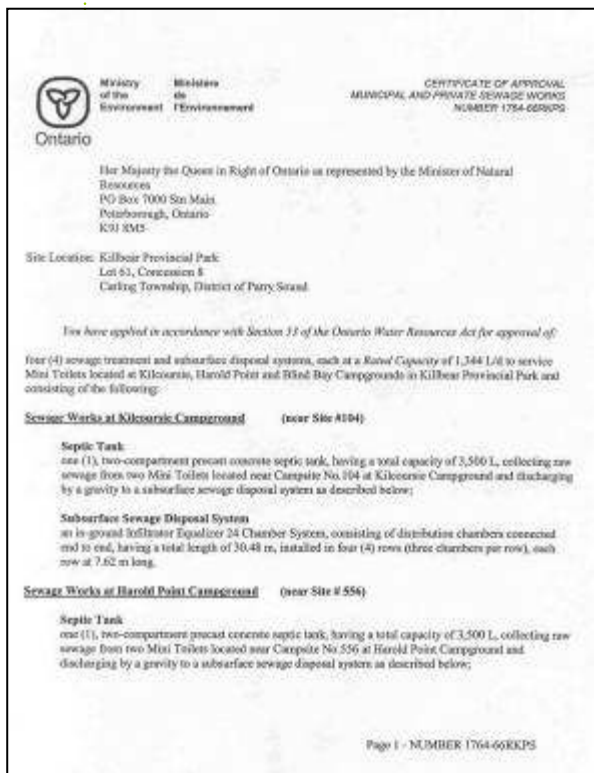
.....

Public transparency

.....



Today's Certificate of Approval (CofA)



- Reflects the Ministry's environmental requirements in effect at the issuance time
- Site specific
- Imposes legally-binding requirements
- Failure to comply is an offence

Terms & Conditions:

- Can set conditions on approval
 - Performance (temperatures, effluent criteria/limits, loadings, concentrations)
 - Monitoring, Recording & Reporting Requirements
 - Operation and Maintenance Requirements

Environmental Compliance Approvals (ECA)

- Replace Certificates of Approval (CsofA) which had separate approvals for air, noise, waste, and sewage activities for a facility
- One approval for all activities at a site
- Assess environmental impacts with a holistic and ecosystem approach
- Easier to understand the interconnectedness of activities and equipment on an entire site
- Minimum application requirements by law

Environmental Compliance Approval Process

Application Summary

Consent: General Information and Instructions | Application Summary | 1. Applicant Information | 2. Project Information | 3. Regulatory Requirements | 4. Fee Information | 5. Facility Information | 6. Supporting Documentation and Technical Requirements | 7. Final Information

Required Information

Project Name & Description	Completed (Yes or No)
Section 1: Applicant Information	No
Section 2: Project Information	No
Section 3: Regulatory Requirements	No
Section 4: Fee Information	No
Section 5: Facility Information	No
Section 6: Supporting Documentation	No
Section 7: Final Information	No

Fee Summary:

Administrative Processing	\$
Review of EPA's 3 activities	\$
Review of EPA's 27 activities	\$
Review of OMRPA's 58 activities	\$
Total Fee	\$

Application Notes: Please complete the sections in order above. The Ministry may request additional fees upon review of this application. If you are submitting this form in print format only and are not using the online calculation feature, please attach the fee calculation separately.

Supplemental Application Information

This field is not a required information for this section.

ECA application form is now available on-line with a supporting interim application guide

Supporting Documentation and Technical Requirements

In Part C of this guide you:

- explain that it is your responsibility to specify documents that you consider definitive;
- explain what makes an application one of high quality;
- explain what should be included in the detailed process and process description and site plan;
- explain, by media, the specifics of what must be included in various technical documents that you must include with your ECA Application.

The processes involved that manage or mitigate the pollutants and contaminants and:

- the final discharges from your proposed activity.

All projects may be looked at in this way in order to understand what type of review is needed to assess the proposed project. The nature of the discharges generally indicate what type of activity you have and whether it falls under section 6 of the EPA, Part 7 of the EPA or section 27 of the OMRPA.

Depending on the type of discharges and how they are managed or mitigated, different technical requirements will apply. This guide and previous guides have dealt with these types of information through various reports tailored for different types of activities. For example, in order to describe discharges to the atmosphere, an air-to-air summary dispersion modelling (ESDM) is used, but a different type of modelling is used for streamwater flows. As well, the ESDM report would describe any mitigation measures such as pollution control equipment, while, for water projects, a design and operation report describes how the water disposal site is designed in order to manage the pollutants from waste. Once you know what discharges are involved in your proposed activity, you can use this section to understand which technical requirements apply to you.

This section discusses different types of technical requirements that are specific to different types of discharges. The information in these technical documents should provide further description and explanation of the activity that is the subject of your application, for example, equipment involved, processes, design, etc.

In general, for any proposed activity, the priority is identified in pollutants or contaminants that may be discharged from the activity to the natural environment. This may mean assessing your proposed activity and taking into account of media (air, noise and vibration, sewage and neutral in terms of:

- the quantity and quality of pollutants and contaminants that are input and discharged.

Guide to Applying for an Environmental Compliance Approval 42

ECA Implementation

- Improved electronic ECA application form:
 - Consolidated 5 application forms and guides into 1 application form and 1 comprehensive guidance document
 - Ability to handle multiple media (e.g. noise, air, waste, etc.) and project types
 - Quick navigation between sections of the form
 - Automatic fee calculation
 - Help text to guide the user
 - Automatic validation of information entered to minimize errors
- Interim Application Guide to help clients complete the ECA application form
- Copy of issued ECA document posted to searchable public website (Access Environment)

Comprehensive ECA Guide

- The comprehensive ECA Guide will include guidance to help applicants decide whether to seek a pre-application meeting with the ministry
- Applicant will go through a series of questions in the Pre-application Considerations checklist to identify if additional steps are needed to address issues beyond preparing and submitting an Application
- Applicants will be encouraged to use the Pre-application Considerations checklist as early as possible in the application preparation stage
- In a pre-application meeting, the ministry will work with the applicant to develop a strategy to address the issues

ECA: How To Get Involved

- Upcoming EBR posting of comprehensive Environmental Compliance Approval Guidance document including Pre-application Considerations checklist.
- Let us know about any suggested improvements to the electronic ECA application form anytime.

approvals.modernization@ontario.ca

Environmental Activity & Sector Registry (EASR)

Environmental Activity and Sector Registry Process

.....

Electronic service delivery

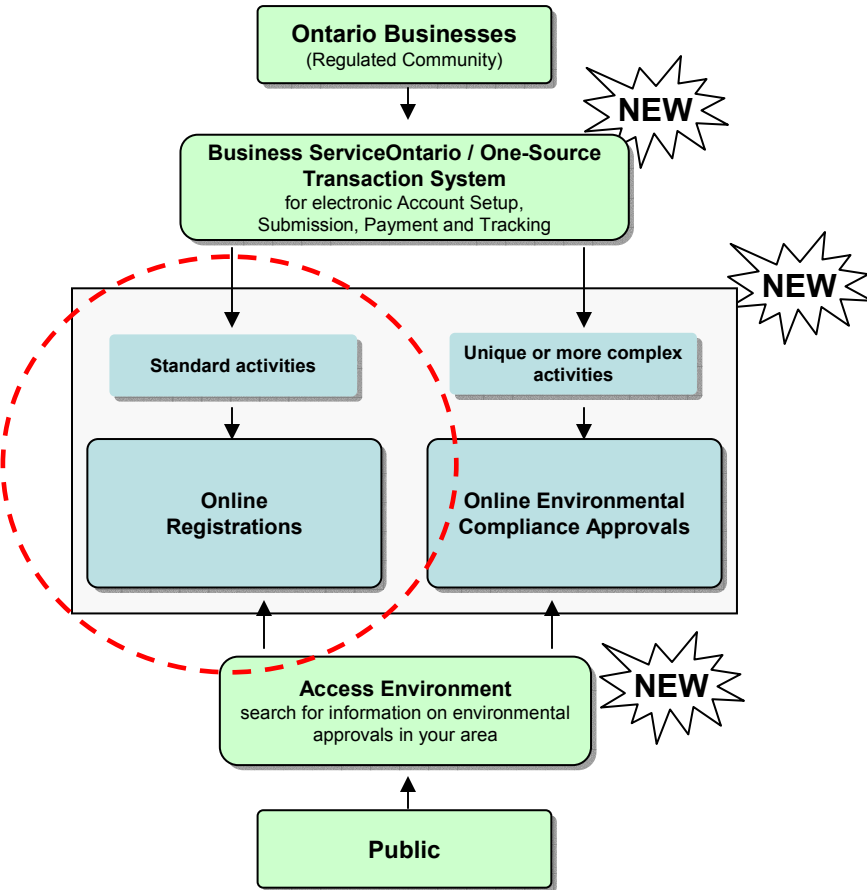
.....

Two path process for protecting the environment

.....

Public transparency

.....



Environmental Activity and Sector Registry (EASR)

- The Ministry of the Environment has developed a registration process for standard and routine-type activities and sectors, specifically, **heating systems, standby power systems and automotive refinishing.**

Implementation

- Businesses are now able to register these activities in the Environmental Activity and Sector Registry (EASR).
- Activities that are not subject to the registration process may instead be required to obtain an Environmental Compliance Approval (ECA).
- Registrations are automatically posted to a searchable public website (Access Environment)

Registration Process

ONe-Source for Business **ServiceOntario**

< Previous **Next >** Clear

Save a Draft Print Help

 Ministry of the Environment
Environmental Activity and Sector Registry

Registration of Activities Related to Automotive Refinishing Facilities

Each field marked by an asterisk (*) must be completed.

Select Application to Complete *

- Registration of Activities Related to Automotive Refinishing Facilities
- Registration of Activities Related to Heating Systems
- Registration of Activities Related to Standby Power Systems
- Registration of Activities Related to Automotive Refinishing Facilities**

For the purpose of registration in the Environmental Activity and Sector Registry, a business that:


1. applies coatings on all or part of a motor vehicle body; or
2. repairs or customizes all or part of a motor vehicle body, or the interior of a motor vehicle.

In some specific cases, you may not need to register your system. These facilities are listed in Regulation 245/11. These systems may require an Environmental Compliance Approval and a permit.

ONe-Source for Business **ServiceOntario**

< Previous **Next >** Clear

Save a Draft Print Help

 Ministry of the Environment
Environmental Activity and Sector Registry

Registration of Activities Related to Automotive Refinishing Facilities

Each field marked by an asterisk (*) must be completed.

Part 3 – Activity Information

3.1 Registration Information

This form is to be used to register the use, operation, construction, alteration, extension, or replacement of equipment or things that are used in an automotive refinishing facility. Please confirm that you will be engaging in one or more of these activities. *

Yes No

3.2 Activity Design-Related Information

The following questions are being asked to determine if the activity meets specific design-related criteria.

a) Is the facility one in which the application of coating to or the repair or customization of a motor vehicle body or parts of a motor vehicle body and the repair or customization of the interior of a motor vehicle occurs? *

Yes No

b) Is the automotive refinishing facility, in respect of which this registration is filed, located in a building that is wholly occupied by the facility? *

Yes No

c) How many spray booths are located at the facility? *

d) What is the facility-wide coating application rate under normal operation? *

EASR Development

- Each activity or sector identified as a potential candidate for the EASR undergoes a detailed analysis and review process

Considerations include:

- Detailed scoping and technical assessment of proposed activity/sector
 - Engineering analysis
 - Risk evaluation and modelling
 - Jurisdictional review
- Local concerns/complaints
- Past administrative compliance with requirement to obtain an approval

Engineering Analysis

Inputs/outputs:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•type and nature of the raw materials used in the Sector/Activity•emissions/effluents from the Sector/Activity (e.g., solvents/paints as inputs, air emissions and odour as output)
Scale:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•range of size of operations in terms of production capacity/material, throughput, etc.•geographic locations within Ontario•co-location characteristics if any (e.g., typically located near another type of manufacturing facility and/or an activity typically used by a specific type of sector, etc.).
Processes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•overview of the type and nature of the processes (e.g., outside, inside, equipped with active ventilation, etc.)•stability/consistency of the processes (e.g., are they batch or continuous, utilize varying feedstock/raw materials, etc.), etc.
Operation/Intensity:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•identification of the time of day of the typical operations•nature and extent of operations (i.e., automated, manual, shifts, etc.)•nature of raw materials/good movement, etc.

Evaluation of Potential Risks – Analysis/Assessment

- Air quality assessments, include:
 - representative (normal operations) emission calculation methods
 - representative (typical) building configurations
 - screening air dispersion models
 - separate consideration given to odour impacts, etc.
- Acoustic assessments, include:
 - representative (typical) noise sources (fans, operations, background, etc.)
 - representative (typical) noise attenuation measures (enclosures)
 - acoustic modelling for night time/daytime impacts

Jurisdictional Review

- Context for Candidate Sector/Activity:
 - Exemptions
 - Permit-by-Rules
- Develop a list of approaches for:
 - Best Management Practices (operations, maintenance, training, etc.)
 - Pollution Control Options (add-on controls, product/equipment replacement options, etc.)
 - Design Constraints (set backs, stack design, etc.)
- Examples of jurisdictions typically considered:
 - New York
 - Ohio
 - Montana
 - British Columbia
 - US EPA
 - California
 - Florida
 - Illinois
 - Texas
 - Michigan
 - New Jersey
 - Washington
 - European Union
 - Alberta
 - Atlantic Canada
 - Minnesota
 - Oklahoma
 - Maryland

EASR: Future Activities/Sectors Being Considered

Activities Tracking for Discussions in November 2011:

- Waste Collection and Transportation – select hazardous and non-hazardous waste, transport only
- Printing Sector - considering lithographic, screen and digital print formats
- Ready-Mix and Concrete Block/Pipe Sector - dust/noise are primary emissions

Activities Tracking for Discussions in Spring 2012:

- Laboratory Fume hoods - analytical, education institutions only
- Small Diesel, natural Gas or Gasoline Generators
- 'Comfort' cooling - for air-conditioning purposes
- Remote Site Services – e.g. fly-in work camps
- Municipal Recycling Facilities – (blue box materials) as described in O. Reg. 101/94
- Temporary Collection of Household Hazardous Waste – reduce barriers for community collection at retail locations (e.g. Home Depot) and community environment days.

EASR: How To Get Involved

Coming Soon...

- Compliance approach for registry activities and sectors (e.g. audit)
- Additional sectors and activities available for self-registration to be proposed Fall/Winter 2011/12
- Enhanced on-line user interface and experience including account management and e-payment

Watch for future EBR postings and provide your feedback/comments:

- Upcoming EBR postings of technical summary reports for each Candidate Activity/Sector
- Future EBR postings of draft regulations for each Candidate Activity/Sector

Let us know about any issues, questions or concerns anytime:

approvals.modernization@ontario.ca

Access Environment

Access Environment

.....

Electronic service delivery

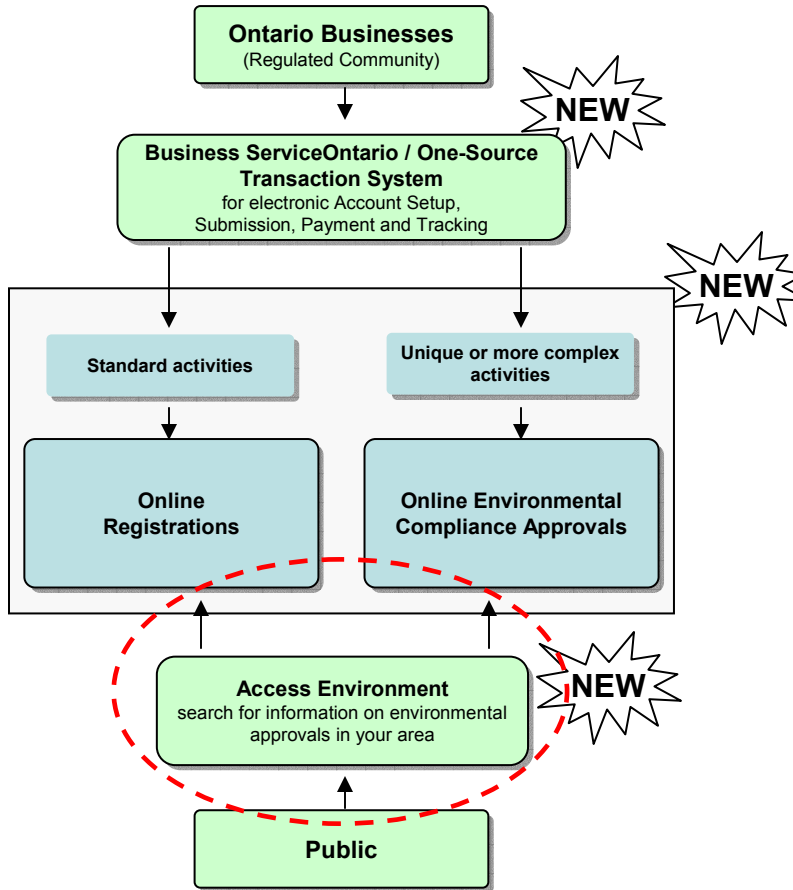
.....

Two path process for protecting the environment

.....

Public transparency

.....



Current Resources for Approvals Information

- Freedom of Information Office
 - MOE receives more than 6,000 requests for information each year, the most of any provincial ministry
 - Takes days to receive a response
- Electronic Certificate of Approval Library
 - Approvals information is available immediately
 - Difficult to find on the ministry website
 - Search feature only provides a list of results with links to copies of issued approvals documents

Electronic Certificate of Approval Library

Location: CofA and REA Search

Search Results

Search Criteria
Business Name : General Motors

Refine Search

Results 1 - 10 of 37 found

Approval Number	EBR Registry Number	Business Name	Address	Municipality	Approval Date	Approval Type	Approval Status
2842-4H2 QFW	IA00E0239	General Motors of Canada Limited	570 Glendale Avenue	St. Catharines	3/2/00	Air	Approved
5460-4NG NW2		General Motors of Canada Limited	700 Park Road South	Oshawa	8/24/00	Air	Revoked and/or Replaced
		General Motors					

Increasing Public Transparency

Implementation

- Public transparency is increased through a new searchable public website (**Access Environment**) for information about environmental approvals.
 - Basic search by business name, address and radius from address
 - Advanced search by identifier numbers, approval type and date, ECA/registration status, EASR registration activity/sector
- Provides public access to information about businesses impacting their community's environment.
- Includes geospatial search capacity of ECAs, Registrations and existing Certificates of Approval.

Access Environment

The screenshot shows the Ontario Ministry of the Environment website. At the top left is the Ontario logo and the text "Ontario" and "MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT". On the right, there are links for "Ontario.ca" and "Français". A search bar is located in the center. Below the search bar is a navigation menu with links: "HOME | ABOUT THE MINISTRY | LEGISLATION | LOCAL PROJECTS | BLOG | NEWS | RESOURCES | MEDIA | INDEX". Below this is a secondary menu with buttons for "For Residents", "For Businesses", "For Kids", and "Access Environment", which is circled in red. At the bottom, there is a banner for "Protecting our Air" with a "LEARN MORE" button.

The screenshot shows a map interface with a search bar containing "Your Facility, Inc." and a "Search" button. Below the search bar, it says "70 results found". A map is displayed with a red pin. A pop-up window shows the following information:

- GSC ID: 42743
- CofA Number: 1234-AWRE
- Site Number: XYZ-1234
- Client Type: Corporation
- Operating: Your Facility, Inc.
- Reference:
- Replacement:
- Site Name:
- Stage: **Approved**
- Stage Assigned:
- Status: **Approved**
- EBR Reference:

Below the information, there is a link: "Click here to view the the Certificate of Approval (pdf)". The map shows a street grid with a red pin and a scale bar. The coordinates at the bottom are: "Latitude: 43.280955, Longitude: -79.838161 (UTM Zone: 17, Easting: 594267.33, Northing: 479)".

Access Environment Basic Search

The screenshot shows the Ontario Ministry of the Environment's 'Access Environment' Basic Search page. At the top left is the Ontario logo and 'MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT'. At the top right are links for 'Ontario.ca' and 'Français'. Below this is a navigation bar with links: HOME, ABOUT THE MINISTRY, LEGISLATION, LOCAL PROJECTS, BLOG, NEWS, RESOURCES, MEDIA, INDEX. There are also buttons for 'For Backroads', 'For Businesses', and 'For Kids'. The breadcrumb trail reads 'Home > Access Environment > Basic Search'. On the left is a 'Primary Navigation' menu with links for 'Access Environment', 'RESOURCES FOR BUSINESSES', 'AIR', 'LAND', 'WATER', 'E-ZONE', 'OBVIOUSLY.CA', 'Explore Government', and 'Contacts'. The main content area contains a welcome message, a description of the search tool, a note about Environmental Compliance Approvals (ECAs), and a search form. The search form includes fields for 'Business Name', 'Address' (Street No., Street Name, City), 'Municipality', 'Postal Code', and 'Search Radius' (set to 10 km). There are 'Search' and 'Advanced Search' buttons. At the bottom, there is a footer with 'CONTACT US | ACCESSIBILITY | PRIVACY | IMPORTANT NOTICES | SITE MAP | SUBSCRIPTION | RSS FEEDS' and '© QUEEN'S PRINTER FOR ONTARIO, 2018'.

Ontario
MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT

Ontario.ca | Français

HOME | ABOUT THE MINISTRY | LEGISLATION | LOCAL PROJECTS | BLOG | NEWS | RESOURCES | MEDIA | INDEX

For Backroads For Businesses For Kids

Home > Access Environment > Basic Search

Primary Navigation

- Access Environment
- RESOURCES FOR BUSINESSES
- AIR
- LAND
- WATER
- E-ZONE
- OBVIOUSLY.CA
- Explore Government
- Contacts

Welcome to Access Environment. This map based search tool has been designed to allow you, the public, quick and easy access to Ministry of the Environment approvals and registration information. Access Environment has both a quick and easy basic proximity search and robust search capabilities with the advanced search. Both options will map your results and display a sortable list of returned records. From either the map or the search result table you can select a record to get additional information about that approval/registration.

Access Environment is a work in progress and is currently displaying Environmental Compliance Approvals, Renewable Energy Approvals and the Environmental Activity and Sector Registry. We are working to add new data sets, enhance functionality, and improve your overall experience. Please visit often to see what changes we have made and let us know what we can do to improve your experience.

[Recommend an information enhancement or correction.](#)

*Please note that Environmental Compliance Approvals (ECAs) include all previously issued Certificates of Approval (CoAs).

Please enter any of your search criteria below:

Business Name

Or

Address: Street No. Street Name City

Municipality Postal Code Search Radius

[Advanced Search](#)

CONTACT US | ACCESSIBILITY | PRIVACY | IMPORTANT NOTICES | SITE MAP | SUBSCRIPTION | RSS FEEDS

© QUEEN'S PRINTER FOR ONTARIO, 2018

Access Environment Advanced Search

Ontario
MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT

Ontario.ca | Français

HOME | ABOUT THE MINISTRY | LEGISLATION | LOCAL PROJECTS | BLOG | NEWS | RESOURCES | MEDIA | INDEX

For Residents | For Businesses | For Kids

Home > Access Environment > Advanced Search

Primary Navigation

- Access Environment
- RESOURCES FOR BUSINESSES
- AIR
- LAND
- WATER
- E-ZONE
- OBVIOUSLY.CA

Explore Government >

Contact Us >

Map Satellite

Search Criteria

Number:

EBR Registry Number:

NCE Reference Number:

Date
(yyyy-mm-dd)
From: To:

All Environmental Compliance Approvals (ECA)
Municipal and Private Sewage
Air/Noise
Waste System
Waste Sites
Industrial Sewage

All Renewable Energy Approvals

Complete Environmental Activity Sector Registry (EASR)
Automotive Refinishing
Standby Power System
Heating System

Business Information

Business Name:

Street No.:

Street Name:

City:

Municipality:

Postal Code:

Search Radius: 10 km

All Statuses

ECA/REA **EASR Status**

Status

Revoked and/or Replaced
Approved
Amended

In Progress
Registered
Removed
Superseded

Sort Results

Records per page: 10

Sort by: Date

Sort Ascending
 Sort Descending

Search Home

CONTACT US | ACCESSIBILITY | PRIVACY | IMPORTANT NOTICES | SITE MAP | SUBSCRIPTION | RSS FEEDS

© QUEEN'S PRINTER FOR ONTARIO, 2010

Access Environment Search Results

Ontario
MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT

HOME | ABOUT THE MINISTRY | LEGISLATION | LOCAL PROJECTS | BLOG | NEWS | RESOURCES | MEDIA | INDEX

For Residents | For Businesses | For Kids

Home > Access Environment > Search Results

Primary Navigation

- Access Environment
- RESOURCES FOR BUSINESSES
- AIR
- LAND
- WATER
- E-ZONE
- OBVIOUSLY.CA

Explore Government >

Contacts >

Search Criteria
Municipality: Toronto

Refine Your Search

Results 1 - 10 of 40 found

Number	Business Name	Address	Municipality	Date	Project Type	Status
2353-4H8R50	Level 3 Commun	8 Gairmond Court	Toronto	9/18/00	Air	Approved
2005-4TV1U0	Accent Corp.	111 Peter Street	Toronto	2/16/01	Air	Approved
6415-4X2Q0Y	Totexel Technolog	55 Scandar Drive	Toronto	3/29/01	Air	Revised an d/or Replace d
2442-4ZM958	Transcontinental Printing G.T. Inc.	8 Tidmore Avenue	Toronto	8/22/01	Air	Approved
7892-5A15DR	Waste Management Inc.	30 Millick Drive	Toronto	6/14/02	Air	Approved
8378-5F2P0C	Canadian Pacific Pipelines Inc.	22500 Sheppard Avenue East	Toronto	10/24/02	Municipal and Private Water Works	Approved
1009-5GBQ0U	City of Toronto		Toronto	11/29/02	Municipal and Private Water Works	Approved
5162-5M5PCA	Waste Container Services Inc.	10 Canvato Road	Toronto	5/9/03	Waste Management Systems	Revised an d/or Replace d
6423-5J5L5P	Ershamont Colli eries (1995) Inc.	1064 Birchmount Road	Toronto	9/20/03	Air	Approved
3350-3KPT8E	Zip Signs Ltd.	333 Kendale Boulevard	Toronto	3/25/04	Air	Revised an d/or Replace d

Recommend an information enhancement or correction.

CONTACT US | ACCESSIBILITY | PRIVACY | IMPORTANT NOTICES | SITE MAP | SUBSCRIPTION | RSS FEEDS

© QUEEN'S PRINTER FOR ONTARIO, 2010

Access Environment: How To Get Involved

- Over time, the Ministry can build on the Access Environment to provide public access to additional approvals-related documents and enhanced public search functions.
- Send feedback/suggestions directly through Access Environment
- Inform us of any corrections to the information posted on the website

new data sets, enhance functionality, and improve your overall experience. Please visit often to see changes we have made and let us know what we can do to improve your experience.

Recommend an information enhancement or correction.

*Please note that Environmental Compliance Approvals (ECAs) include all previously issued Certificate Approval (CofAs)

Please enter any of your search criteria below:

1009-5GBQLU	Properties Inc.	City of Toronto			
5162-5M6PCA	Waste Container Services Inc.	10 Canvarcc			
9423-5J5LSP	Birchmount Collision (1995) Inc.	1064 Birchmount Road	Toronto	9/30/03	Air
3330-5XFTEP	Zip Signs Ltd.	555 Rexdale Boulevard	Toronto	3/26/04	Air

Business Name

Or

Recommend an information enhancement or correction.

IMPORTANT NOTICES | SITE MAP | SUBSCRIPTION | RSS FEEDS © Q

Summary of Recent changes:

- ✓ Electronic Environmental Compliance Approval (ECA) application form;
- ✓ Short Introductory Guide to help clients complete the ECA application form;
- ✓ Businesses will be able to register activities relating to **heating systems, standby power systems and automotive refinishing** in the Environmental Activity and Sector Registry (EASR).

How to get involved and EBR postings to watch for:

- ✓ Environmental Compliance Approval Guidance document including Pre-application Considerations checklist;
- ✓ Technical reports for each Candidate Activity/Sector;
- ✓ Draft regulations for each Candidate Activity/Sector.

Environmental Approvals

Protecting the environment

- ✓ easier
- ✓ online
- ✓ flexible
- ✓ accessible
- ✓ efficient

www.ontario.ca/environmentalapprovals

For more information visit our website or write us with ideas or comments at:

approvals.modernization@ontario.ca

Appendix

Transitional FAQs

Certificates of Approval

What happened to previously-issued CofA?

- If you currently hold a CofA, you do not need to do anything; existing Cs of A and their terms and conditions will continue and they can be amended, reviewed, suspended and revoked as if they were an ECA

I hold a CofA, what do I do if I need an amendment?

- If you need an amendment to your CofA, you will use the new ECA Application Form and apply for an amendment - resulting approval will be called an ECA and would not necessarily impact any of your other Cs of A

Environmental Compliance Approvals (ECA)

Do I have to apply for a multi-media approval starting October 31st?

- No, the legislation does not require an application for a multi-media approval on October 31st, 2011 – unless you choose to, or the Director requires you to
- The facility-wide (multi-media) approval is a useful new option when applying for an approval for a new facility, or if you wish to consolidate your existing CofA approvals

What is meant by a “complete ECA Application”?

- Established minimum application requirements that are needed before the ministry begins a review (outline in O.Reg. 255/11)

What happens if I miss or leave out a requirement?

- Ministry may return the application without a decision, review the application, or ask for more information

Environmental Compliance Approvals (ECA)

What are the types of minimum application requirements?

- *Process Requirements:*
 - Use the correct application form and provide all the applicable information requested
 - Signatures attesting to the completeness and accuracy of the information
 - Applicant and Technical Contact signatures
- *Project Information Requirements:*
 - Detailed project and process description, incl. a summary project description
 - Information around ownership, land use, and zoning of the site
 - A site plan
 - A list of all other, applicable approvals, orders or instruments under specified Acts
 - Maps, plans, and drawings must adhere to minimum information standards (some exemptions)

Environmental Activity and Sector Registry (EASR)

How do I register?

- If you intend to engage in an activity prescribed by regulation (comfort heating, standby power, autobody shops) and meet the eligibility requirements, visit ServiceOntario (www.serviceontario.ca) to register

What if I have an existing approval for an activity that can be registered?

- Existing approvals for activities that are eligible to register will still be valid and a person will not immediately need to register them
- You will need to register an eligible activity that is currently in an approval:
 - When you need to make a change to the activity that previously required an amendment to the approval, OR
 - By the date prescribed in the regulation stating that the approval for an activity is no longer in effect (5 years from date regulation comes into force for all activities currently prescribed)

What if I have an approval with some activities that are eligible for the EASR and some that are not?

- You will still be able to amend the approval for those activities that cannot be registered without needing to file a registration for the eligible activities

Environmental Activity and Sector Registry (EASR)

What if I do not have an existing approval?

- You will no longer be able to apply for an approval for activities that are eligible for the registry unless the Director issues an order stating that the registry does not apply (s. 20.18)

What if I want to always keep my eligible activities in an ECA?

- You would need to request that the Director consider issuing an order stating that the Registry does not apply to your activity
- Order will need to remain in effect for as long as you will be engaging in the activity

On October 31st, what happens to all outstanding applications for approval for activities that are prescribed for the Registry?

- If an applicant does not receive an approval for the activity before the day the Registry regulation comes into force then their applications are discontinued on that day and they will have to register their activity unless the Director issues an order stating that the registry does not apply

Environmental Registry

How will Environmental Compliance Approvals be dealt with under the EBR (O.Reg. 681/94) after October 31st, 2011?

- Proposals for ECAs would be **Class II** as they are subject to discretionary hearings
 - Existing exceptions maintained (e.g., for air discharges less than 10 hours in a 7 day period, etc.) not subject to posting on the EBR
- As Class II instruments, these will have additional public participation requirements (e.g., posting for an additional 15 days, etc.)
- For 3rd party and applicant appeal of ECA amendments, only portion of ECA that has substantially changed is subject to appeal (**EPA s.139 (3)(b)**)

What happens to those approvals that were posted on the EBR before October 31st, 2011?

- Approval proposals that were posted on the EBR as **Class I** prior to October 31st, 2011 will remain as **Class I** (**s. 4.2 of Reg. 681/94**)