



## STAFF REPORT INFORMATION ONLY

### Collection of City of Toronto's Used Oil

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<b>To:</b>	Board of Health
<b>From:</b>	Chief Corporate Officer
<b>Wards:</b>	All
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#### SUMMARY

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At its meeting April 23 and 24, 2007, Council considered a report on used motor oil and requested a list of companies to which the City and its agencies, boards and commissions (ABCs) sell their used motor oil. This report provides that list.

The majority of City of Toronto's divisions and ABCs have their used oil collected by Safety-Kleen Canada Inc. Used oil from TTC and Toronto Zoo vehicles is collected by Quantex Technologies Inc. Used oil from Toronto Parking Authority vehicles is collected by Noco Lubricants Canada and Direct Line Environmental Services Inc.

#### Financial Impact

This report will have no financial impact beyond what has already been approved in the current year's budget.

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#### DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting April 23 and 24, 2007, City Council considered a report from the Medical Officer of Health, "Prohibiting the Burning of Used Motor Oil for Space Heating in Toronto" <http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-2759.pdf>.

Council requested the General Manager, Transportation Services to provide a list of companies to which the City and its agencies, boards and commissions sell their used motor oil. This request was redirected to the Director, Fleet Services. The list of companies is provided for information in this report.

## **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

The Board of Health and City Council expressed support for a new Government of Ontario ban on burning used oil for space heating, since it will eliminate an unnecessary source of air pollution in Toronto. The ban was finalized and announced in June 2007. The Board of Health also requested a list of companies that collect the City's used oil.

## **COMMENTS**

Fleet Services procures, manages and maintains the vehicles used for City operations. The majority of the oil changes for City vehicles are done at Fleet Services' garages. These garages service vehicles from all divisions with substantial fleets, including Transportation Services; Toronto Water; Solid Waste Management Services; Parks, Forestry and Recreation and Municipal Licensing and Standards. Fleet Services garages also service Library vehicles. Used oil is collected from Fleet Services' garages by Safety-Kleen, a company that re-refines the City's used oil for re-sale as motor oil. The used oil is collected at no charge to the City or to Safety-Kleen.

Other divisions, agencies, boards and commissions with fleets service their own vehicles. Toronto Police Services, Emergency Medical Services, Fire Services and Exhibition Place have their used oil collected by Safety-Kleen for re-refining. TTC and the Toronto Zoo have their used oil collected by Quantex Technologies Inc. The used oil is cleaned and used as an industrial fuel. Toronto Parking Authority vehicles are serviced at private garages, where the used oil is collected by Noco Lubricants Canada and Direct Line Environmental Services Inc. The oil collected by Noco is cleaned and used as an industrial fuel. The oil collected by Direct Line is bulked with oil from other facilities, and depending on the quality of the batch it is sent for re-refining, used as an industrial fuel, or blended with other oils to make bunker fuel.

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