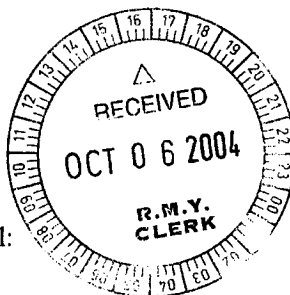




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Regional Chair and CEO and Members of Council
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Municipal Program Code 97

REGION OF YORK
 CLERK'S OFFICE

Dear Regional Chair and CEO and Members of Council:

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Re: 2003 Municipal Blue Box Datacall Results

Waste Diversion Ontario (WDO) is a non-crown corporation with a mandate to develop, implement and operate diversion programs for wastes designated under the Waste Diversion Act (WDA).

WDO is responsible for compiling data on the quantities of Blue Box and other wastes diverted from disposal and the cost of municipal Blue Box programs. WDO compiles this information by issuing an annual Tonnage and Financial Datacall. The annual Datacall is the major source of data for allocation of municipal program funding under the Blue Box Program Plan.

Your municipality was one of almost 200 municipal programs that completed the 2003 Tonnage and Financial Datacall. The results of the verified 2003 Datacall are now posted on the WDO's website at www.wdo.ca under Municipal Datacall>2003 Data.

The Blue Box Tonnage Datacall results are presented showing the quantity of materials marketed by material by municipality. The Blue Box Financial Datacall results are presented showing residential collection, processing, depot/transfer, promotion and education and stockpiling costs as well as revenue by municipality.

The following table provides a summary of your municipal program's verified 2003 Datacall:

	Total	Per Household	Per Tonne
Households Serviced by Blue Box Program	253687		
Blue Box Tonnes Marketed	43516	172 (kgs)	
Gross Cost ¹⁾	\$10,504,468	\$41	\$241
Revenue	\$4,343,089	\$17	\$100
Net Cost	\$6,161,379	\$24	\$142

1) Excluding calculated administration factor.

WDO, working with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, has developed a methodology to group municipal programs based on similar characteristics. Your municipality has been placed in the Urban Regional group.

Your program net cost per tonne is \$142 compared to \$115 net cost per tonne which is the average for your group.

The Blue Box Tonnage and Financial Datacall results are also presented on the WDO web site in these municipal groupings to allow municipal programs to compare their performance to other similar programs. I encourage you to visit the WDO's web site to review the Blue Box tonnage and financial data from municipal programs across Ontario.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director
Waste

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Ontario

