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A photograph of a supermarket aisle with a shopping basket in the foreground. The basket contains a yellow spray bottle, a pineapple, and some green apples. The background shows shelves stocked with various products, slightly out of focus. The entire image has a teal overlay.

The leading voice for
Canada's food, health, and
consumer goods manufacturers

Leadership in Sustainability

FHCP endorsements



FHCP is focused on public policy that directly impact members, including ***plastics and packaging***.

We advocate at the federal, provincial and territorial levels for strong public policy that leads to a circular economy for plastics in Canada

- Working to ensure packaging is reusable, recyclable or compostable, that plastics are kept in the economy but out of the environment
- Supported by direct financial investments by governments to catalyze innovations in new materials and technologies

Collaboration

Collaboration is essential for driving sustainable practices across supply chains.

Companies must work together with all involved, from suppliers to distributors to consumers, to ensure sustainability from product design to end-of-life management.





FHCP Role and Principles

FHCP works with members, partners and governments to develop EPR programs that are efficient, effective, aligned, and integrated with plastics policies to achieve a circular economy

Principles:

- Minimal disruption to service throughout transition
- Industry-led
- Common collection system to allow a standardized province-wide program
- Efficiency and predictability of cost
- Equitable allocation of fees
- Improved environmental outcomes
- Interprovincial alignment where possible

Status of Transition to Full EPR (packaging)

2024

2025-27

	Full EPR
	EPR in development
	In transition to EPR
	Consideration of EPR



Innovation of packaging

- Ongoing packaging innovations to eliminate waste, improve recyclability
- Increased use of recycled content for certain product categories, maintaining all health and safety requirements
- Piloting of reuse models of packaged groceries
- Solutions for films and flexibles

Data Management

- Data reporting requirements of EPR and the federal plastics registry are exceeding data capacity for many producers
- Must ensure data requirements are critical, where possible aligned (EPR programs and registry)

Artificial Intelligence

- Future capabilities to enhance material flow data, material and costing modelling

Financial Impacts

- Producers want equitable allocation of costs, program efficiencies, and predictability of costs
 - PROs and regulators should consider business budgeting cycles in fee planning moving forward
- 2004-2024: \$6.3B in producer contributions, EXCLUDING Ontario's new BB program
- 2024 is the first year packaging producers paid over \$1B in fees

Whole of Government Approach

- Environment ministries to develop/amend EPR regulations
- Finance and Economic Development ministries to make strategic capital investments in recycling infrastructure and innovations
- Municipal Affairs (& equivalent) to amend Building Code

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4. Implementation of EPR in the U.S.



FHCP visits GFL, Toronto



FHCP visits EFS Plastics

Thanks

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