

sub-sector. Therefore, throughout this report the term rebuilder will be used.

To the reader not familiar with the term "rebuilt", a brief explanation is thought helpful. At the point an average motorist is informed by a mechanic that he needs a "new" engine that was repairable and subsequently rebuilt. This repaired or rebuilt engine could save the motorist 40% to 60% as compared to buying an unused or new engine.

In Canada close to 95,000 engines were rebuilt in 1980. This suggests that 35,625,000 pounds of cast iron was recycled which saved the depletion or consumption of 2,375,000 gallons of propane, 1,548,913 gallons of fuel oil and 7,633 tons of soft coal.

For the readers knowledge, a custom rebuilder is one who remanufactures products on a one person-one product process whereas a production rebuilder utilizes an assembly line process with one person performing one specific job.

The survey is believed to be timely in that the industry concerned is not well understood, labour intensive, energy efficient, environmentally stable and thought as having a strong potential both domestically and abroad.