

programs will ultimately have an impact on all segments of the converted paper products sector in their pursuit of solutions that will reduce the volume of solid waste entering landfills. Industry committees are being formed to deal with the issues and to attempt to present industry's views, concerns and approaches.

ISTC Activities

The focus over the next few years will be on new technology and innovation for the converted paper sector. The department, working with industry, will promote the development of new products and processes through ISTC's new Forest Industries R&D and Innovation Program. Also, the department is working closely with Environment Canada, industry associations and firms to find solutions and approaches to the environmental programs being proposed by the Government of Canada.