

The proposed Code of Practice should provide a guide for recovery and recycling, at least in commercial and industrial applications. The Committee believes, however, that the Code should be upgraded to a regulation. Therefore:

- (7) **We recommend that the proposed "Code of Practice for the Reduction of CFC Emissions in Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Systems" developed by Environment Canada for commercial refrigeration units be made a regulation under CEPA. The Committee further recommends that this Code be applied to the management of HCFC and HFCs. These regulations should come into effect by 30 June 1991.**

It is our understanding that Environment Canada is looking at initiatives to ensure that recovery and recycling technologies are available and that education and training programs in their use are developed. Compliance and enforcement capabilities must also be established.

### ***Abandoned Refrigeration Equipment***

Previously abandoned refrigeration equipment contains possibly large quantities of CFCs. Canada may even be receiving used refrigerators from scrap dealers in the United States. Although the actual percentage of compressor systems which contain CFCs and are still intact after being dumped is not known, it would be prudent to recover the CFCs from this potential source of emissions. As well, CFCs should be recovered when refrigeration units are removed from service and before they are dumped. We understand that the City of Toronto may soon introduce special equipment to be towed behind garbage trucks to pick up this type of waste and recover their CFCs. Such municipal initiatives should be encouraged. In this regard:

- (8) **We recommend that Environment Canada be provided the necessary funds to assist the relevant authorities in developing programs for the recovery and recycling of CFCs from commercial, household and mobile refrigeration systems that are to be scrapped or that have been previously abandoned. Once destruction technologies and less harmful substitutes are available, then the recovered, more harmful substances must be destroyed.**