

## AT-SOURCE SEPARATION OF RECYCLABLE WASTE PAPER

Question No. 881—**Mr. Saltzman:**

1. (a) Has Crown Assets Disposal Corporation signed a contract to sell recyclable waste paper and, if so, what are the terms of that contract (b) are all government departments and agencies now giving their waste paper to CADC so that it may be sold, or are some selling the waste paper on an individual basis?

2. (a) Has CADC agreed to commence source separation of waste paper from garbage so that only paper would be collected by a recycling firm (b) has source separation been delayed and, if so, on what date will separation begin?

3. (a) If source separation has not begun, and the waste paper is not being bought from CADC, how much is it costing the government to dispose of this garbage every day (b) how much would the government be receiving in revenue if the waste paper was being sold to a recycling firm?

4. What efforts are being made to educate various departments and agencies as to the purpose and benefits of paper source separation and the proposed implementation of this plan?

**Mr. Yvon Pinard (Parliamentary Secretary to President of Privy Council):** I am informed by the Crown Assets Disposal Corporation, the Departments of Public Works and Fisheries and the Environment as follows: 1. (a) No, Crown Assets Disposal Corporation has signed a contract to sell mixed office waste paper. (b) Crown Assets Disposal Corporation administers two contracts for the disposal of waste paper. In the National Capital Area, the major waste paper generating federal facilities are included in those two contracts. The number of facilities in the existing contracts would increase with the implementation of the federal high quality waste paper separation program. This program involves segregation at the point of generation of high quality waste paper from the rest of refuse. This refuse, including waste paper is currently disposed of under a refuse removal contract administered by the Department of Public Works.

2. (a) No. (b) At-source separation has not been delayed. Before the Federal Government could start a large scale implementation program, the system had to be demonstrated, guidelines developed and all costs identified. The pilot study to demonstrate this selected at-source separation system, was completed on April 30, 1977. The system has since then been implemented in three facilities occupied by approximately 3,000 federal employees. Three additional facilities with approximately 5,000 employees are being brought into the program in early February.

3. (a) It is not possible to answer this part of the Question as the Department of Public Works' figures show only garbage as a whole and do not give a breakdown for waste paper as a separate item. (b) If departments located in the National Capital area implement the at-source separation program, there is a potential to recover in excess of 4,000 tons/year of high grade waste paper. This would be in addition to the quantity that is currently being recovered through CADC contract. The revenue from the sale of such paper would be determined through CADC's tendering process and would reflect current market conditions.

4. The Department of Fisheries and the Environment is finalizing a Federal Government Guideline which outlines steps to be taken to organize and manage an at-source separa-

tion system. When approved, the Guideline will be distributed to all departments to assist them to implement at-source segregation systems for high grade waste paper. Publicity material as well as assistance is also available from the Department of Fisheries and the Environment to brief departmental co-ordinators on such programs.

## NEW DRUG SUBMISSIONS

Question No. 929—**Mr. Herbert:**

1. For each of the past five years, how many new drug submissions have been received by the Department of National Health and Welfare and how many received notices of compliance?

2. What is the average time period between the receipt of a submission and issuance of notice of compliance?

**Hon. Monique Bégin (Minister of National Health and Welfare):**

1.	Year	Number Received	Number of Notices of Compliance	
	1971-72	63	51	
	1972-73	51	50	
	1973-74	74	50	
	1974-75	89	67	
	1975-76	79	63	

  

2.	Year	Number	Average Days	Median
	1972	49	513	351
	1973	50	310	283
	1974	67	341	265
	1975	63	335	287
	1976	46	446	353

## UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE CONSTITUENCY OF RICHMOND

Question No. 1,027—**Mr. Beaudoin:**

In (a) 1975 (b) 1976 (c) 1977, were there any unemployed in the Constituency of Richmond and, if so (i) how many (ii) in what economic sector were they the most numerous?

**Hon. Bud Cullen (Minister of Employment and Immigration):** (a), (b) and (c) There are no statistics on unemployment for the Constituency of Richmond, in total or by economic sector, for the years 1975, 1976 and 1977. The only valid estimates of unemployment for constituencies are those given by the Census of Canada. (The latest Census data available are for 1971). The Labour Force Survey, which is the other official source of unemployment estimates, does not produce data by constituency. Because no constituency unemployment estimates are available, the Department has, only for the purpose of allocating Canada Works Program and Local Initiatives Program funds, produced constituency labour surplus estimates. However, these estimates are not comparable from one program to the next, since they are based on different definitions and they pertain to different time periods. The following are the labour surplus estimates produced for the constituency in the last three years. It is emphasized, however, that these figures are based on different definitions and should not be compared with one another. LIP 75/76: 3,174 (First