

#### Product stewardship for packaging program: municipal concerns

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## **Participation**

- 1. Provide for collection and recycling of readily recyclable materials
  - Transition period

#### 2. Report

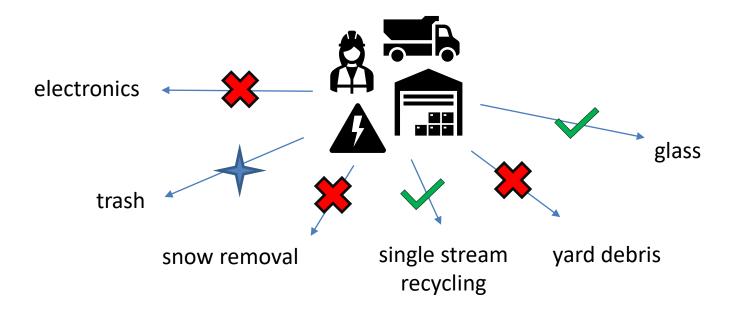
- Raw numbers that vary annually
- Cost allocations, audits, and necessary calculations determined during consultation with the Stewardship Organization (S.O.)
- Reimbursements calculated by S.O.
- Costs inform reimbursement, producer fees, and best practices

# Step 1: Provide for collection and recycling

- Mainerstown
  - Curbside collection of trash
  - Curbside collection of single-stream recycling
    - GoodSorters contracted to handle single-stream recycling
  - Transfer station drop-off for glass
    - Tryinghard City pays Mainerstown to handle its glass

# Step 2: Mainerstown/S.O. consultation

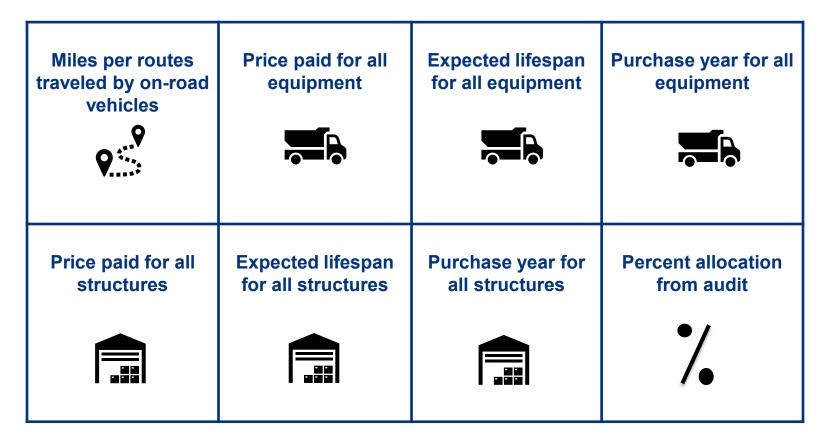
- SO determines allocation of cost to various streams
- SO identifies inputs that Mainerstown must annually report: raw numbers that vary annually





### **Step 2: continued**

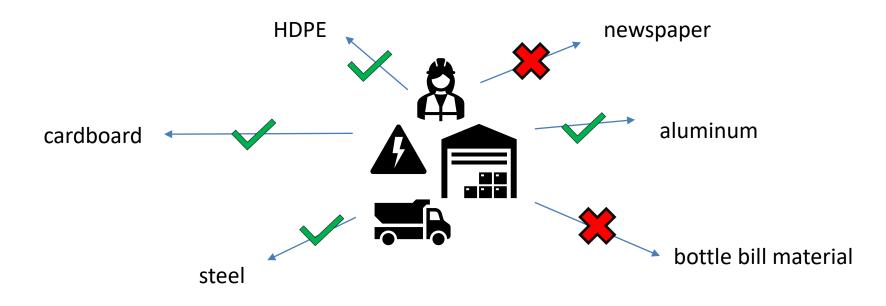
• S.O. documents static inputs



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# Step 3: GoodSorters/S.O. consultation

- Same procedure as municipal consultation
  - Not necessary if contract only for management of one commodity
  - S.O. keeps inputs confidential



## Step 4: annual reporting

- Mainerstown completes annual report of variable inputs (certain costs and tons recycled)
- GoodSorters completes annual report of variable inputs (certain costs and tons recycled)
- All other participating municipalities and their contractors do the same



## **Step 4: continued**

• Mainerstown completes annual report of variable inputs

Labor cost	Maintenance cost for all equipment	Number of trips traveled for on- road vehicles	Annual miles traveled for on- road vehicles	Maintenance cost for all structures
Total metered energy	Average price per unit of energy	Revenue shared cost/ton	Contractor cost/ton	Tons of material managed for recycling

## Step 5: SO determines tons recycled by each municipality for each commodity

30% bottle bill 🕂 70% covered packaging

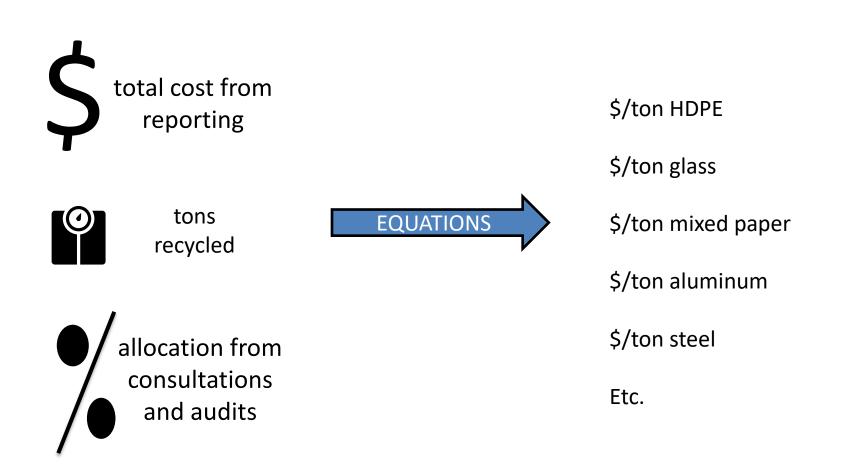
How much of each commodity sold is covered packaging?

Glass AUDIT

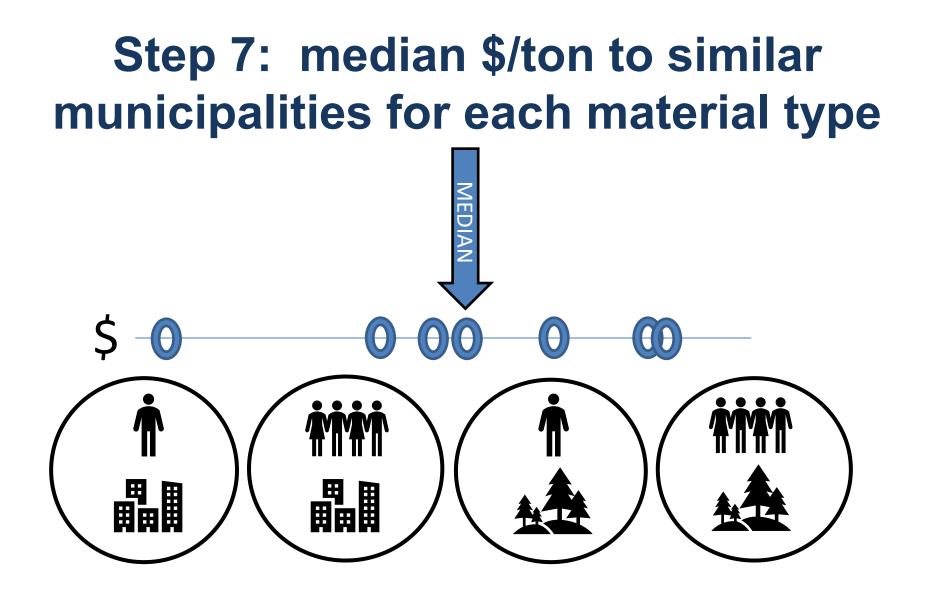


- All glass recycled through drop-off (\*)
- 1/3 of material recycled by GoodSorters

#### Step 6: SO determines municipal \$/ton for each commodity



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## Step 8: Mainerstown reimbursement for recycling

median cost/ton to similar municipalities of recycling box board \* tons box board recycled



median cost/ton to similar municipalities of recycling glass \* tons glass recycled

median cost/ton to similar municipalities of recycling HDPE \* tons HDPE recycled



median cost/ton to similar municipalities of recycling aluminum \* tons aluminum recycled

median cost/ton to similar municipalities of recycling ..... (etc.)

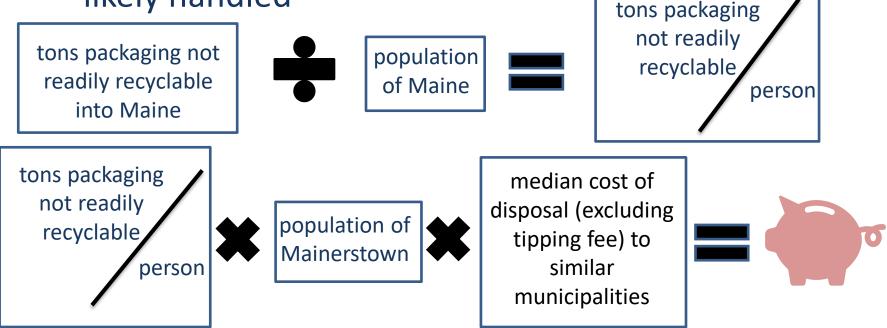


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#### Step 9: Mainerstown reimbursement for managing packaging material that is not readily recyclable

Per capita payment for material Mainerstown
likely handled
tons packaging



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# Step 10: Provide for collection and recycling

- Options for material additions
  - Add source separated collection of additional material
  - Collect and send to another municipality for recycling
  - Add to a current stream
- Options for starting from scratch
  - Single stream drop off
  - Source separated collection and send to another municipality
  - Contract with another municipality to allow for use of its transfer station by your residents



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