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Environmental Plastics Advisory Service

EPAS was established in the Fall of 1992 by Jim Cairns on his retiral from Dow Canada. The Advisory offers professional advise to Industry and Governments, it also interfaces with Advocacy on the perplexing challenge of how to manage plastics in the waste stream, *in a sustainable manner* .

The experience offered is based on many years of service with Dow, latterly as Director of Environment (Plastics) in British Columbia. During this period Dow was awarded the B.C. Government Environmental Award. The B.C. plastics industry elected Cairns as the founding Chairperson of the B.C. Chapter of the Environmental Plastic Institute of Canada (EPIC) . Service is performed on the Recycling Council of British Columbia's Policy Committee, after having served as a Director of RCBC until 1994.

On retiring from Dow it was recognised there remained a substantial challenge to achieve the Sustainable Management of discarded plastics while meeting the National Packaging Protocol (NaPP) .Particular regard for the development or evolution of balance between economic and social factors.i.e. sustainability is considered essential .

Thus EPAS was formed to provide '*pragmatic links*' between Industry , Governments and Advocacy to alleviate and minimise premature polarisation that may often arise over environmental issues , thereby replacing potential acrimony with constructive dialogue. Active networking is maintained across Canada also links to Europe and Asia.

EPAS served as a 'resource person' at the October 95 NaPP task force Meeting where the National Packaging Protocol was recommitted to by all sectors.

Jim Cairns

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Increased involvement over the years with a variety of Environmental issues, including a key note address at Dundee University, and various presentations including alternate energy EPAS also means \* Enthusiastically Promote Allthings Sustainably

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To whom it may concern

Currently EPAS provides professional services to the Plastic Processors Environmental Association of B.C. (PPEA/B.C.) to advise and implement their membership plan .

EPAS's services are offered professionally (or voluntarily) to consult with Industry, all levels of Government and Advocacy.

No assignment that could be construed as conflicting with the implementation of the PPEA/B.C. plan will be undertaken .