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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

RESPONSE TO EVIE ESHPETER ( RODWAY )

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## **Prohibition NOT Justified**

Eshpeter DEMANDS the PROHIBITION of pest control products used in the Urban Landscape.

The products are, in fact, HEALTH-CANADA-APPROVED, FEDERALLY-LEGAL, SCIENTIFICALLY-SAFE, and PRACTICALLY-NON-TOXIC.

Any PROHIBITION of pest control products is NOT JUSTIFIED because STRICT REGULATIONS BASED ON SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH ALREADY PROTECT OUR HEALTH and OUR ENVIRONMENT.

## **Leading Authorities ?!?!**

Eshpeter ALLEGES that so-called LEADING HEALTH AUTHORITIES are asking municipalities throughout the Province of Alberta to adopt policies PROHIBITING the use of pest control products in the Urban Landscape.

Which authorities ?!?!

Which EXPERTS are DEMANDING PROHIBITION ?!?!

## **There Are NO Anti-Pesticide Experts**

There are NO so-called LEADING AUTHORITIES who are AGAINST pest control products.

This is a problem with ALL Anti-Pesticide Activists.

There are NO Anti-Pesticide Activists who are scientists or researchers with credentials in the field of pest control products.

NONE !

This is especially true for people like Eshpeter, who are PAID by Canadian-Cancer-Society for FUND-RAISING, and NOT for scientific research.

These people may NOT be considered as AUTHORITIES on pest control products.

## The TRUE Leading Authorities

However, there are LEADING AUTHORITIES that SUPPORT or VALIDATE the concept that pest control products are SCIENTIFICALLY-SAFE.

These authorities are educational, regulatory, research, scientific, and trade agencies that are considered as many or all or the following ...

- Experts
- Highly-Rated
- Independent
- Leaders
- Non-Profit
- Respected
- World-Renowned

They have publicly stated that, or have validated the concept that, in one form or another, pest control products are SCIENTIFICALLY-SAFE.

These agencies are NOT unduly influenced by any stake-holder in those industries manufacturing and using pest control products.

The following educational, regulatory, research, scientific, and trade agencies have SUPPORTED or VALIDATED the concept that pest control products are SCIENTIFICALLY-SAFE —

- American Chemical Society
- American Council for Science and Health

- American Cancer Society
- CropLife Canada
- Health Canada
- International Agency for Research on Cancer
- The Fraser Institute
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- World Health Organization

## **The Fraser Institute**

The Fraser Institute is the HIGHLY-RATED independent non-profit research and educational organization ( THINK-TANK ) based in Canada that espouses free market principles.

According to a 2011 report from The Fraser Institute ...

- PROHIBITIONS on the use of pest control product are ILL-CONCEIVED and DO NOT accurately reflect the current state of scientific knowledge.
- Also according to The Fraser Institute, HASTY PROHIBITIONS of pest control products SHOULD NOT BE IMPLEMENTED until the underlying science is conclusive and until a comprehensive analysis of the potential side-effects resulting from the PROHIBITION has been undertaken.

## **Enviro-Poll**

It is not surprising that Eshpeter reports that her organization's POLL indicates that many residents support measures to PROHIBIT pest control products.

This MAY NOT BE TRUE !

A MORE LEGITIMATE POLL, conducted by Canadian Consumer Specialty Products Association in British Columbia in 2011, indicated that ...

- The VAST MAJORITY of residents FAVOUR THE CONTINUED USE OF PEST CONTROL PRODUCTS around their homes and in public green spaces
- Residents are CONFIDENT they can SAFELY USE pest control products, and SUPPORT THE CONTINUED USE OF PEST CONTROL PRODUCTS in the Urban Landscape

## **There Is NO Growing Body of Evidence**

Eshpeter further ALLEGES that there is a so-called GROWING BODY OF EVIDENCE supporting a link between pest control products and certain types of cancers.

Eshpeter is TOTALLY WRONG !

Pest control products cause NO HARM, including chronic effects such as CANCER.

Pest control products DO NOT CAUSE CANCER.

Only pest control products that DO NOT POSE AN UNACCEPTABLE RISK OF CANCER in humans are registered for use in Canada.

IRONICALLY ... both Daffodil Production for Canadian-Cancer-Society and the Professional Lawn Care Industry use the SAME ingredients that are needed to control insect and weed pests.

IRONICALLY ... both the Agriculture Industry and the Modern Professional Lawn Care Industry use the SAME ingredients that are needed to control insect and weed pests.

In fact, NO cause-and-effect relationship between pest control products and cancer has been established scientifically.

Because of this fact, Eshpeter invokes the so-called PRECAUTIONARY PRINCIPLE.

## **Precautionary Principle Is DISCREDITED**

Eshpeter's version of the Precautionary Principle has been DISCREDITED by TRUE EXPERTS like Dr. Keith Solomon.

Solomon is Professor at the Centre for Toxicology and Department of Environmental Biology, University of Guelph, and Director, Canadian Network of Toxicology Centres.

According to Solomon —

*« Landscape and garden use of pest control products DOES NOT QUALIFY FOR CONSIDERATION under the precautionary principle.*

*They are not serious, they are selective to pests, have low toxicity to non-target organisms, and are well understood.*

*The effects of these pest control products are NOT IRREVERSIBLE.*

*There is rapid recovery through reinvasion and weed seeds and most need to be used at least once per year. »*

For more information, please go to the Pesticide Truths web-site ...

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