

Ontario Shoppers Escape Pesticide Ban in United States





Ontario Prohibition

Did NOT Protect Health

and the Environment

Prohibition DID Destroy Lives and Businesses

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Anti-Pesticide PROHIBITION Led to the DEATH of a Home-Owner and Extensively Destroyed the Ontario Professional Lawn Care Industry

Anti-Pesticide PROHIBITION in the Province of Ontario

On April 22nd, 2009, the Government of Ontario ARBITRARILY PROHIBITED pest control products that are, in fact, HEALTH-CANADA-APPROVED, FED-ERALLY-LEGAL, and SCIENTIFICALLY-SAFE.

The DEVASTATION of the Professional Lawn Care Industry was EXTENSIVE because there were NO valid economical alternatives to replace the prohibited products.

The Ontario Professional Lawn Care Industry LOST OVER 500,000,000 DOL-LARS, with UP TO 12,500 UNEMPLOYED.

Moreover, Anti-Pesticide PROHIBITION in Ontario created GARBAGE DUMPS and DANGEROUS PLAYING SURFACES — ESPECIALLY FOR CHILDREN!

Pesticide-Free playing surfaces like home lawns, public green spaces, and sports fields became WEED-INFESTED and INSECT-DESTROYED.

They became OVER-RUN by Dandelions and other weed pests, and were DESTROYED by damaging insect pests like European Chafer.

Home-owners are going so far as to CROSS BORDER THE BORDER INTO THE UNITED STATES to acquire EFFECTIVE pest control products.



NO Drop in Hand Sprayer Sales

Niagara Falls is a Canadian city on the Niagara River in Southern Ontario.

It is located CROSS THE RIVER from Niagara Falls, New York, U.S.A.

Kevin Good, seasonal department store manager at the Stamford Home Hardware and Fireplace Shop in Niagara Falls, said he has NOT SEEN ANY DROP IN THE SALE OF COMPRESSION SPRAYERS even though he is not allowed to sell the pest control concentrate that goes into them.

According to Kevin Good —

<< People are just right up front - « You can't sell it to me,</pre> I'm GOING RIGHT ACROSS THE RIVER ».

Basically what's happened is we've been SCREWED OUT OF SALES, which means the whole nine yards - less staff, less money going through this store, all going over to the States.

Especially when they've got the good Canadian dollar they're getting their gas, they PICK UP THEIR PESTICIDES, they bring it back. >>

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PROHIBITION Cannot Be Enforced at the Border

The FEDERAL Canadian Border Services Agency (CBSA) says Ontario's PROVINCIAL PROHIBITION of pest control products CANNOT BE LEGISLA-TIVELY ENFORCED by their officials.

Officers at the border will only stop fertilizer and pest control products that fail to meet registration, packing and labelling requirements under the federal Fertilizers Act.

Moreover, Health Canada APPROVES THE USE OF PRODUCTS PROHIBITED by Ontario.

John Wilkinson

Ontario's Anti-Pesticide Enviro-Lunatic Environment-Minister John Wilkinson said some Ontarians may be trying to get around PROVINCIAL PROHIBI-TION, but he believes the vast majority are abiding by the rules.

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This NEEDLESS, SENSELESS, and MALICIOUS PROHIBITION led to the DE-STRUCTION of the Modern Professional Lawn Care Industry.



PROHIBITION Did NOT Improve Water Quality

Wilkinson further ALLEGES that a ministry study of ten urban streams showed an 80 per cent drop in the three most common chemicals found in pest control products.

According to Enviro-Lunatic Wilkinson —

<< So we know that the ban is working. >>

Wrong!

The PROHIBITION of pest control products in the Province of Ontario DID NOT improve water quality in streams and rivers.

For more than ten years, well BEFORE the 2009 PROHIBITION, there have been CONSISTENTLY LOW LEVELS OF PEST CONTROL PRODUCTS IN ON-TARIO STREAMS.

ALMOST UNDETECTABLE LEVELS of pest control products were found in Ontario streams EVEN BEFORE PROHIBITION.

Both before and after PROHIBITION, the presence of pest control products were measured in the PARTS PER TRILLION RANGE and WELL BELOW WA-TER QUALITY GUIDELINES.

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PROHIBITION Did NOT Improve Water Quality (continued)

In fact, previous studies have shown that, for more than ten years, there have been CONSISTENTLY LOW LEVELS OF PEST CONTROL PRODUCTS IN ONTARIO STREAMS.

Non-Expert Anti-Pesticide Activists ALLEGE that the PROHIBITION of pest control products in the Urban Landscape somehow leads to lower concentrations of herbicide in stream water.

This is WRONG!

This allegation is FALSE, MISLEADING, and CONTRADICTS OVER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF RESEARCH on the issue of water quality and the use of pest control products for turfgrass maintenance.

Gideon Forman

Gideon Forman is the Anti-Pesticide Non-Expert Enviro-Lunatic Fund-Raiser for Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment (CAPE).

Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment operates as an EN-VIRONMENTAL-TERRORIST-ORGANIZATION.



Cigarettes Are NOT Pest Control Products

According to Enviro-Lunatic Forman —

<< The fact that Health Canada approves something doesn't mean it's safe.

Health Canada also approves CIGARETTES.

What we're saying and what the Canadian Cancer Society is saying is that's there NO HEALTH BENEFIT from these pesticides.

Why would we take the risk when there's so many EFFECTIVE NON-TOXIC PRODUCTS that we can use to keep our properties beautiful? >>

Wrong! Wrong! Wrong!

Comparing CIGARETTES to pest control products is PITIFULLY RIDICU-LOUS, as well as LAUGHABLY STUPID!

Anti-Pesticide Activists like Gideon Forman use this NONSENSICAL COM-PARISON purely as a means of COERCING and INFLUENCING the public into believing that it is necessary to PROHIBIT pest control products, despite the fact that they are HEALTH-CANADA-APPROVED, FEDERALLY-REGULATED, SCIENTIFICALLY-SAFE, and PRACTICALLY-NON-TOXIC.

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Cigarettes Are NOT Federally-Registered Products

There is NO FEDERAL REGISTRATION of tobacco products.

By comparison, there IS a FEDERAL REGISTRATION of pest control products.

There is NO agency that regulates tobacco, except perhaps for restricting access to young people.

By comparison, there IS an agency that REGULATES pest control products Health Canada.

Moreover, cigarettes are ABOVE THE LAW because our governments have chosen to shield them from the regulatory process.

This is NOT the case with pest control products.

Our governments have chosen to HEAVILY REGULATE pest control products.

In Canada, pest control products, are regulated by Health Canada under the Pest Control Products Act, and are among THE MOST STRINGENTLY REGU-LATED SUBSTANCES in Canada.

Pest control products are STRINGENTLY TESTED and REGULATED in order to ensure that they are SCIENTIFICALLY SAFE and CAUSE NO HARM.



Green Alternatives Are NOT Effective and Are MORE Toxic

According to Non-Expert Enviro-Lunatic Gideon Forman —

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Why would we take the risk when there's so many EFFECTIVE NON-TOXIC PRODUCTS [Green Alternatives] that we can use to keep our properties beautiful? >>

There are NO EFFECTIVE NON-TOXIC Green Alternative that WORK!

Gideon Forman is WRONG!

Government Officials, the Professional Lawn Care Industry, and the public were assured by Non-Expert Anti-Pesticide Activists like Gideon Forman that so-called safe and effective Green Alternatives were already available to replace conventional pest control products. [Wrong!]

VIRTUALLY ALL Green Alternatives are BOGUS, and have negatives ranging from almost TOTAL INEFFECTIVENESS except under very specific circumstances, to a question about their TOXICITY.

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DEATH Resulting from PROHIBITION

Without the use of conventional pest control products, and the lack of ANY effective alternatives, many jurisdictions have had to resort to the BACK-BREAKING JOB OF WEED-PULLING BY HAND.

Home-owners are required to CRAWL ON THEIR HANDS AND KNEES on lawns — pulling weeds manually like mere COTTON-PICKERS!

On June 28th, 2011, an Ontario home-owner did not realize that HAND-WEEDING A TOXIC NOXIOUS WEED on his property would CONTRIBUTE TO HIS DEATH.

This Ontario home-owner was ULTIMATELY DOOMED since the SAFEST AND MOST EFFECTIVE METHOD OF CONTROLLING TOXIC NOXIOUS WEEDS was PROHIBITED in Ontario.

Contact with this TOXIC NOXIOUS WEED resulted in severe burns to his hands and arms, eventually forcing him to be hospitalized — ultimately, he DIED.

Unfortunately, Ontario's ENVIRONMENTAL-TERRORISTS like Gideon Forman had IMPOSED A LUNATIC-PROHIBITION on the use of pest control products.

THE DEATH WAS THEIR FAULT!

They are the PROHIBITION MERCHANTS OF DEATH!

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Ontario PROHIBITION Was 100% Politically-Based and 0% Science-Based

August 22nd, 2011

Lorne Hepworth

Letter to the Editor

Toronto Sun

Selected and adapted excerpts



Lorne Hepworth is president of CropLife Canada, the trade association representing manufacturers, developers and distributors of pest control products,



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Response: « Ontario shoppers escape pesticide ban in U.S. », Toronto Sun, August 22, 2011

The McGuinty government has been grasping to justify its POLITICAL PES-TICIDE BAN ever since they imposed it.

So it isn't surprising to see Minister Wilkinson pronouncing that this ONE study from his ministry is proof-positive that the ban is working.

What the minister fails to say about the APPARENT drop in levels of certain lawn chemicals is that the levels detected in virtually all samples — both before and after the ban — were in the PARTS PER TRILLION RANGE and WELL BELOW WATER QUALITY GUIDELINES.

The Wisdom of a REAL Expert

In fact, previous studies have shown that, FOR MORE THAN TEN YEARS, there have been CONSISTENTLY LOW LEVELS OF PEST CONTROL PROD-UCTS IN ONTARIO STREAMS.

One statistic most will agree on is that the ONTARIO BAN WAS 100% POLITICALLY—BASED AND 0% SCIENCE—BASED.

Minister Wilkinson is now ATTEMPTING TO USE SCIENCE TO MISLEAD ON-TARIANS into thinking the pest control product ban has somehow improved their environment.

This water study reaffirms that Health Canada's pesticide regulatory process — which includes a thorough environmental assessment — is doing a GOOD JOB of assessing the products since the levels detected in streams DO NOT POSE A RISK TO PEOPLE, PLANTS OR ANIMALS.

This government is trying to take credit for protecting us from a risk that was never there.

This ban has done nothing more than taken safe, effective tools out of the hands of Ontarians and created a series of negative consequences.

Sincerely,

Lorne Hepworth

President, CropLife Canada

Representing the plant science industry



Ontarians Are Fed Up With the Decisions Made For Them by a Chosen Few to Appease a Chosen Few

August12th, 2011

Letter to the Editor

The Grass Is Greener

[Blog-Site]

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As the Crane Flies, or the Chinch that stole business.

As you can see I was a little torn between the best title to represent this year in lawn care, not just for me, but for everyone in the industry.

Surely the Apocalypse must be coming as we saw every infestation except locusts.

With the drought in July how could we not?

I can't recall a year this bad for all manner of pests, Chinch Bug, Sod Webworm, Japanese Beetle, and now Crane Flies.

You name it, I could point out damage somewhere.

If you think, well, it's just one of those years », think again especially next Spring when the Leatherjackets start feeding on your lawn courtesy of all the Crane Fly activity you are now seeing.

With FEW PRODUCTS AVAILABLE TO TREAT THIS RELENTLESS ATTACK, I'm finding more and more people I talk to, are bringing back a little something from STATE-SIDE to try and save their property and maintain their curb appeal —

carbaryl, 2,4-D, mecoprop, dicamba

Garden centres south of the border must think they've died and gone to God's green acre.

Now, it's not that these people are criminal and thrive on administering forbidden chemical treatments to their turf — quite the contrary.



UNDERGROUND APPLICATIONS now seem RAMPANT, eventually creating MORE HARM THAN GOOD

They are law-abiding citizens, who pay their taxes and are doing their best to get by.

They are simply FED UP WITH THE DECISIONS MADE FOR THEM BY A CHOSEN FEW TO APPEASE A CHOSEN FEW, and after all they are aware that it's not illegal to have the good stuff, just to use it.

Honestly, PUTTING THE PRODUCTS BACK IN THE HANDS OF THE PRO-FESSIONALS at least, to me, makes sense and those who choose to treat their lawns could do so properly without injury to turf, or environment.

They could make sure the applicators are licenced and regulated, not some student who could give a rat's ass about what he's applying to your lawn.

I think this is fair.



Hey, this is just my opinion. I will abide by whatever law is set down ... I couldn't afford the fine anyway.

But I'm concerned with the UNDERGROUND APPLICATIONS which now seem RAMPANT, eventually MORE HARM THAN GOOD MIGHT COME FROM THE PEST CONTROL PRODUCT PROHIBITION.

I mean there are some still applying left over Diazinon, a pest control product that affects the nervous system.

Do you really want your neighbour applying this product to their lawn because they can't buy a reasonable alternative?

Yet, there is a PROVINCIAL ELECTION COMING UP IN OCTOBER, so take a good long look at your lawn, at your neighbour's lawn, at the lawns in your community, and remember when you fill out your ballot who put these wheels in motion in the first place.

Normally I'd say this is none of my business, but IT IS my business — one which I want to keep and continue to the best of my ability.

As it stands now, that is becoming extremely difficult to do.

Politicians will always be politicians, but you still have the power to send a message.

Make it loud and clear.



In the 9/11 Era of Environmental-Terror, at least ONE MALICIOUS ACT OF TERROR is Perpetrated EVERY SINGLE DAY by Enviro-Lunatics.

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Here is a brief summary of Mr. Gathercole's career —

Fields of study — Horticulture/Agriculture, Mathematics, Physics

Alma mater — McGill University • University of Guelph • the first person ever to obtain university degrees and contribute to both the professional lawn care and golf maintenance industries

Expertise in — environmental issues and environmental terrorism • turf and ornamental maintenance and troubleshooting • history of the industry • sales and distribution of seeds, chemicals, fertilizers, and equipment • fertilizer manufacturing

Notable activities — worked in virtually all aspects of the green space industry, including golf, professional lawn care, distribution, environmental compliance, government negotiations, public affairs, and workplace safety • supervisor, consultant, and, programmer for the successful execution of hundreds of thousands of management operations in the golf and urban landscape, as well as millions of pest control applications • advisor, instructor, and trainer for thousands of thousands of industry workers • founder of the modern professional lawn care industry • prolific writer for industry publications and e-newsletters • first to confirm the invasion of European Chafer insect in both the Montreal region and the Vancouver/Fraser Valley region • with Dr. Peter Demoeden, confirmed the presence of Take-All Patch as a disease of turf in Eastern Canada • with Dr. David Shetlar, confirmed the presence of Kentucky Bluegrass Scale as an insect pest in South-Western Ontario, and later, in the Montreal and Vancouver regions

Special contributions — creator of the exception status that has allowed the golf industry to avoid being subjected to the prohibition of pest control products • creator of the signs that are now used for posting after application • co-founder of annual winter convention for Quebec golf course superintendents • the major influence in the decision by Canadian Cancer Society to stop selling for profit pesticide treated deffodils • the only true reliable witness who intervened in the development of prohibition in the town of Hudson Quebec • retired founder of EDRCF OF NATURE and A LOOK AT expensional treatment.

Notable award — man of the year for contributions leading to the successful founding of Quebec professional lawn care industry, which served as a beach-head against activism in the 1980s and 1990s

Legacy — Mr. Gathercole and his colleagues ... designed and implemented strategies that reined environmental activists to provide peace and prosperity for the entire modern green space industry across Canada • orchestrated legal action against activists in the town of Hudson, Quebec • launched the largest early professiona lawn care business in Canada • quadrupled the business revenues of one of the largest suppliers in Canada

Mr. Gathercole is now retired, although his name continues to appear as founder of FORCE OF NATURE and A LOOK AT e-newsletters



