Justin Vanderheide Fined \$4,000 For Selling Pesticides Without A Licence

CAYUGA – On July 8, 2011, Justin VanDerheide was convicted on three violations under the Pesticides Act for offering the sale of a pesticide and selling a pesticide without a vendor's licence.

The Court heard that Mr. VanDerheide resides in Dunnville, Haldimand County. In November 2010, the ministry found an advertisement in a trade publication newspaper, dated offering Weed-Master 41 and Wiseup glyph sate for sale. Similar advertisements were also found on an advertising website. The advertisements in the newspaper and on the website were later determined to belong to Mr. VanDerheide. Weed-Master 41 is a pesticide that requires a licence to sell. A search of ministry records determined that Mr. VanDerheide did not possess a vendor's licence.

Mr. VanDerheide was charged following an investigation by the ministry's Investigations and Enforcement Branch.

Mr. VanDerheide was fined 4,000 plus a victim fine surcharges and was given 15 days to pay the fine.

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