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LETTER: HEALTH BEFORE LAWNS, SAYS BC CANCER SOCIETY

by ***Contributor*** *on 25 Jun 2012*
in ***General*** ***Health*** ***Provincial***

To the Editor,

The BC Special Committee on Cosmetic Pesticides released its report in May which contained 17 recommendations to the government.

Although these recommendations did not include an outright ban on lawn and garden pesticides, it's important to note that the BC Government has not made a decision (and the Special Committee itself did not have consensus in arriving at these recommendations). It's also noteworthy that of the 7300 e-questionnaires submitted by British Columbians during the Committee's e-consultation, almost 5000 supported a ban on the sale and use of cosmetic pesticides.

The Canadian Cancer Society maintains that health should take precedence over lawns. It's important to note that pesticide registration by the Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) of Health Canada does not mean that a pesticide is safe or without risk. When the PMRA registers a pesticide it means that risk to both human health and the environment is minimized—but not eliminated—if the product is used for its intended purpose and according to label directions. In its assessments, the PMRA does not differentiate between cosmetic use and non-cosmetic use.

While a definitive cause and effect relationship between pesticides and cancer has not been established, the Canadian Cancer Society is very concerned about the growing body of evidence suggesting pesticides may increase the risk of several types of cancers, including non-Hodgkin lymphoma, multiple myeloma, prostate, kidney and lung cancers. Studies on pesticides and childhood cancer also show a possible connection with leukemia, brain tumours and non-Hodgkin lymphoma. Enough is known to be prudent and prevent exposure, especially when the use of these chemicals is unnecessary, exposure to them is irreversible and there are effective alternatives and practices.

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The Canadian Cancer Society is not alone in its concern. This week, the Ontario College of Family Physicians issued a statement strongly recommending that the public reduce their exposure to pesticides, based on the findings of their second comprehensive review. Their review demonstrates that children are particularly vulnerable and shows associations between pesticides and various neurological and respiratory diseases, and reproductive problems.

Prohibiting the use of cosmetic pesticides is both responsible and respectful of the state of the scientific evidence. We thank the 40 municipalities throughout BC who have shown leadership by adopting cosmetic pesticide by-laws, and we hope BC municipalities will continue to adopt cosmetic pesticide bylaws. For our part, we will continue to urge the BC government to pass strong province-wide cosmetic pesticide legislation. Through action, information and policies we can take steps to reduce the risk of cancer and promote health.

Sincerely,

Patti Moore

Team Leader, Health Promotion

Canadian Cancer Society, Southern Interior Region

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Health Canada has THE ESSENTIAL EXPERTISE on pesticides new

*by **WILLIAM H. GATH...** on 25 Jun 2012 at about 11:13.*

0 0 On May 17th, 2012, British Columbia's Special Committee on Cosmetic Pesticides announced that it WILL NOT RECOMMEND PROHIBITION against the use of pest control products in the Urban Landscape.

The Committee made THE RIGHT CHOICE, and deserves CONGRATULATION.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON COSMETIC PESTICIDES (Web-Page)

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The story about the number of people who responded to the Committee's e-questionnaire is MEANINGLESS.

The VAST MAJORITY of the responses were ORCHESTRATED, through a coast -to-coast CAMPAIGN, using MONEY AND RESOURCES provided by Canadian Cancer Society.

This CAMPAIGN has given an unsuspecting public the FALSE and FRAUDULENT impression that the Anti-Pesticide Movement has considerable size and power, when in fact, IT DOES NOT.

This is yet another example of Canadian Cancer Society SQUANDERING MONEY AND RESOURCES on an issue that has been SCIENTIFICALLY ASSESSED by Health Canada.

Nonetheless, Canadian Cancer Society has WASTED up to 5,000,000 DOLLARS on SUBVERSIVE and PARTISAN Anti-Pesticide CONSPIRACIES.

Canadian Cancer Society FALSELY ALLEGES having UNDISCLOSED, NON-EXISTENT AND UNVERIFIABLE SECRET EVIDENCE about the safety of pest control products.

Health Canada, and NOT Canadian Cancer Society, has THE ESSENTIAL EXPERTISE on the subject of pest control products.

Not surprisingly, NOT A SINGLE PERSON within Canadian Cancer Society has ANY recognized expertise, training or background in matters concerning pest control products.

Canadian Cancer Society is RIDICULOUSLY IMPLYING that its NON-EXPERT ASSESSMENT is somehow being withheld from Health Canada and EVERY other regulatory agency in the world.

CANADIAN CANCER SOCIETY (Web-Pages)

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Canadian Cancer Society's own web-sites state that scientific research does NOT provide a conclusive link between pest control products and cancer.

Even one of Canadian Cancer Society's HIGHEST-RANKING LOBBYIST states that the connection between cancer and pesticides is NOT CONCLUSIVE.

CANADIAN CANCER SOCIETY - NO DIRECT PROOF PESTICIDES CAUSE CANCER (Web-Page)

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Organizations like Canadian Cancer Society MUST NOT GET MORE MONEY for LYING AND TERRORIZING !

There is NO RECOURSE but OFFICIAL COMPLAINTS AND LITIGATION against Environmental and Anti-Pesticide Organizations.

They DO NOT DESERVE ANY DONATIONS OR SUPPORT.

Nor do they deserve TAX-EXEMPT STATUSES.

They DO deserve to FACE THE SPOTLIGHT OF THE MEDIA and TERROR OF THE COURTS !

In Canada, Anti-Pesticide Organizations like Canadian Cancer Society are presently UNDER INVESTIGATION FOR CHARITY FRAUD AND CONSPIRACY.

The Government of Canada DOES NOT want its society to continue living in the 9|11 Era of Anti-Pesticide Enviro-Lunatic Profit-Hungry Terrorism !

CANADA ENDS THE 9|11 ERA OF ENVIRO-LUNATICS (Report)

http://pesticidetruths.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/11/Force-Of-Nature-Enviro-PROFIT-Canada-2012-03-30-Canada-ENDS-the-9-11-Era-of-Enviro-Lunatic-Terrorism-pdf.pdf

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The public DOES NOT WANT PESTICIDE BANS.

A recent POLL conducted by Canadian Consumer Specialty Products Association (CCSPA) CONFIRMED that the VAST MAJORITY of residents in British Columbia are OPPOSED to the PROHIBITION of conventional pest control products, and they actually FAVOUR the continued use of these products around their homes and in public green spaces.

THE WISDOM OF CANADIAN CONSUMER SPECIALTY PRODUCTS ASSOCIATION - BC RESIDENTS OPPOSED TO PESTICIDE BAN (Web-Page)

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