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Good afternoon,

The Ontario government is bringing forward smart, sensible solutions that are helping to keep our communities healthier and safer while creating an open for business environment.

We are modernizing programs and services and lowering costs for the people of Ontario by allowing producers to find new and innovative ways to reduce costs and manage their products and packaging more efficiently and reduce the amount of waste sent to landfills.

As you may be aware, the province is transitioning the existing waste diversion program for batteries to the producer responsibility framework.

This will give producers more control on how they manage their waste and dispose of batteries safely and improve environmental outcomes. After considering feedback received from stakeholders on the proposed Batteries Regulation under the Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, 2016, the regulation (O. Reg. 30/20) was filed on February 27, 2020.

For more information about the decision and to view the Batteries Regulation, please visit the Environmental Registry (link: <https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-0048>).

The regulation for electrical and electronic equipment is still being updated as a result of our consultation – it will be posted on the Environmental Registry as soon as it is finalized.

The current battery program, operated by Stewardship Ontario will cease operation on June 30, 2020. For information about the program's transition plan, visit the Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority's website (link: <https://rpra.ca/programs/hazardous-or-special-waste/>).

If you have any questions about the Batteries Regulation, please contact Krista Friesen, Senior Policy Advisor, Resource Recovery Policy Branch at [krista.friesen@ontario.ca](mailto:krista.friesen@ontario.ca) or 437-995-1380.

Sincerely,

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