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Asphalt Plant Regulation Consultation-ASTTBC Members Invited to Comment

The Ministry of Environment asked ASTTBC (and other associations) to circulate this information to members with an invitation to provide comment directly to the Ministry as noted in this memo. ASTTBC members wishing to inform ASTTBC on issues should send comment to techinfo@asttbc.org.

The Ministry of Environment is continuing the process of reviewing and revising the Asphalt Plant Regulation (APR) of the *Environmental Management Act (EMA)*. The APR review process follows the ministry policy of continuous improvement and commitment to review our regulations on a regular basis and to update them as appropriate.

The ministry's objectives and the proposed content of the revisions are provided in a policy intentions paper for consultation (intentions paper). This intentions paper is available for review on our web site at <http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/epd/main/ip-list.htm>. The intentions paper also describes the aspects of particular concern for protection of human health and the environment and other relevant information. This intentions paper will provide a framework for legal drafting and possible further consultation. A response form to seek responses and comments from stakeholders and the public is also available on the website indicated above. Comments should be submitted by March 16, 2012.

Additional information and links to related legislation are posted on the Ministry of Environment's website and can be accessed by clicking on the address below, or from the Ministry of Environment homepage, by following the Environmental Protection Division and Environmental Management Branch links. See <http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/epd/main/ema.htm>.

Information received will be treated with confidentiality by ministry staff and contractors. However, please note that information you provide and information that identifies you as a source of comments may be publicly available if a Freedom of Information request is made under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

The ministry has contracted Cindy Bertram of C. Rankin & Associates to manage the information collection process. If you have any questions regarding the information-gathering process, check the ministry website: <http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/epd/codes/index.htm>

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Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to receiving your comments.