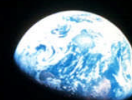




# MOPIA E-BULLETIN



## STRATOSPHERIC OZONE LAYER & ATMOSPHERE PROTECTION

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### 27th Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol



MOPIA's Chair of the Board of Directors, John Kubilanski and Executive Director, Mark Miller will be attending the 27<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol (MOP 27) being held 1-5 November in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

The MOP 27 Agenda has been set and includes several proposed amendments to the Montreal Protocol which, if passed, may have major positive effects in reducing greenhouse gases going forward internationally. Proposals include phasing-down or out the use of HFC's globally. If adopted, the thrust of the amendments will affect chemical and equipment manufacturers, building owners, service companies and ultimately service technicians using various refrigerants, among other applications.

"Reducing and eliminating the production and use of HFCs is among the most important efforts Parties could embrace to reduce our human footprint on the Earth. There is no excuse for delay as greener alternative options exist and should be encouraged by leaders and policy makers within the Montreal Protocol forum" states Mark Miller. "Posturing and the motives of those who are aiming to let someone else (i.e. Kyoto or UNFCCC) deal with HFCs and portray that practical HFC alternatives do not exist is a tactic to delay and impede global progress on climate change."

Both John and Mark will be attending the many interesting side-events highlighting alternatives and the latest environmental information on the globe's atmosphere and climate. They look forward to sharing the information they obtain in our November E-Bulletin.

See details at: <http://ozone.unep.org/en/>  
<http://ozone.unep.org/en/meetings>  
<http://climate-l.iisd.org/events/27th-meeting-of-the-parties-to-the-montreal-protocol/>

### Pope Francis at United Nations: Appeals to Nations on Climate



While at the UN (New York) last month, Pope Francis encouraged action to combat climate change. See: [www.cruxnow.com/church/2015/09/25/pope-francis-pleads-with-nations-to-act-now-on-climate-change/](http://www.cruxnow.com/church/2015/09/25/pope-francis-pleads-with-nations-to-act-now-on-climate-change/)

### HFC Propellants and Aerosols

MOPIA is continuing to make the world aware that many common consumer products like aerosol containers contain harmful climate gases including HFCs as their propellant. These range from air horns, antiperspirants, computer dusters to certain party and animal spray products.

HFC 134a and HFC 152 are primarily used as the carrier or propellant gas within these products. And while they contain small amounts, the HFCs are emitted to atmosphere just as CFCs were when the world first became aware of the impact of these toxic atmosphere chemicals.

MOPIA is encouraging each nation (or state, province, territory) to implement a regulatory ban on the use of any and all HFC as a carrier or propellant gas in aerosol containers by 2017 (or sooner). Collectively, this will have a direct and positive impact by eliminating this indiscriminate release of HFCs to the environment.



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## White Goods Recycling Progress!

Manitoba has a successful white goods recycling program taking shape. Fridges, freezers, water coolers and dehumidifiers are collected and disassembled to ensure all the refrigerants, mercury, PCBs and any other materials are safely handled and/or recycled. So far 30,000 have been, but MOPIA is in discussion with a Winnipeg based company to determine how the program could best be expanded to all parts of our province. Watch for more news here as this important initiative unfolds...

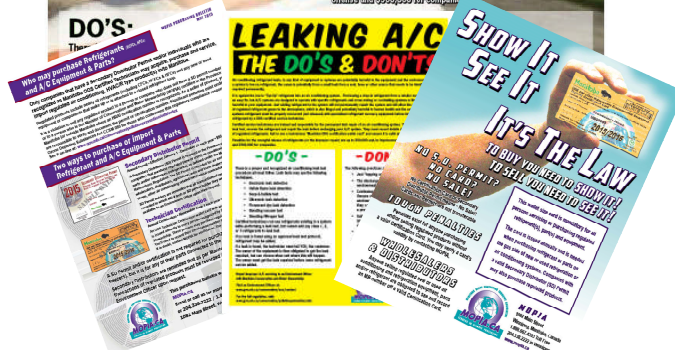


## MOPIA visiting Thompson

MOPIA is continuing our outreach and awareness mission including hosting an awareness session in Northern Manitoba's most populous city on October 14 and visiting The Pas and points in between. Our stakeholders are diverse and situated in many, many locations. Having over 5,000 individual members and hundreds and hundreds of companies as permit holders, MOPIA wants to better ensure everyone knows their regulatory responsibilities and efforts to combat ozone depletion and climate change. Plan to attend in Thompson: Wednesday, October 14 at the Best Western 205 Mystery Lake Road at 8 am – 9 am. Come for the free continental breakfast, coffee/juice and good information.



## Compliance Awareness keys to MOPIA's Success



Whether it is our comprehensive and leading edge certification training program for service technicians or information pieces for industry and service personnel about their regulatory responsibilities, MOPIA continues to aim high to be the best in the world! As an experienced and unique not-for-profit Canadian organization, we have reached out to Nations around the globe through study tours and the like. Innovation and creativity has led to success in phasing out ODSs. Explore partnering with us!

## Activities Roundup

- 15 October – MOPIA Training in Brandon
- 17 October – MOPIA Training in Winnipeg
- 30 November – 11 December – COP 21 in Paris

See related industry international news offered by UNEP's OzonAction in their OzoNews distributed free electronically.

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