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OWNER OF TIRE RECYCLING SITE FINED \$2,500 FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT VIOLATION

THUNDER BAY—Bruce James Halow, owner of a tire recycling site in Kakabeka Falls, Ontario, has been fined \$2,500, after pleading guilty to failing to comply with a Provincial Officer's Order.

Halow owns a property approved by the ministry as a tire recycling site. The Court heard that in July 2004, a ministry inspection revealed that Halow was storing tires at the site, and was not running a recycling operation. Halow was ordered to submit a recycling plan prepared by a qualified person to the provincial officer who issued the order. Halow failed to do so within the timeframe he was given.

Halow pleaded guilty to one count of failing to comply with a condition of a Provincial Officer's Order, contrary to section 186(2) of the *Environmental Protection Act*. He was fined \$2,500, plus a victim fine surcharge.

The Court also ordered Halow to remove the tires from the site within a specified timeframe.

Justice of the Peace John Guthrie sentenced Halow on May 26, 2006 in the Ontario Court of Justice in Thunder Bay.

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