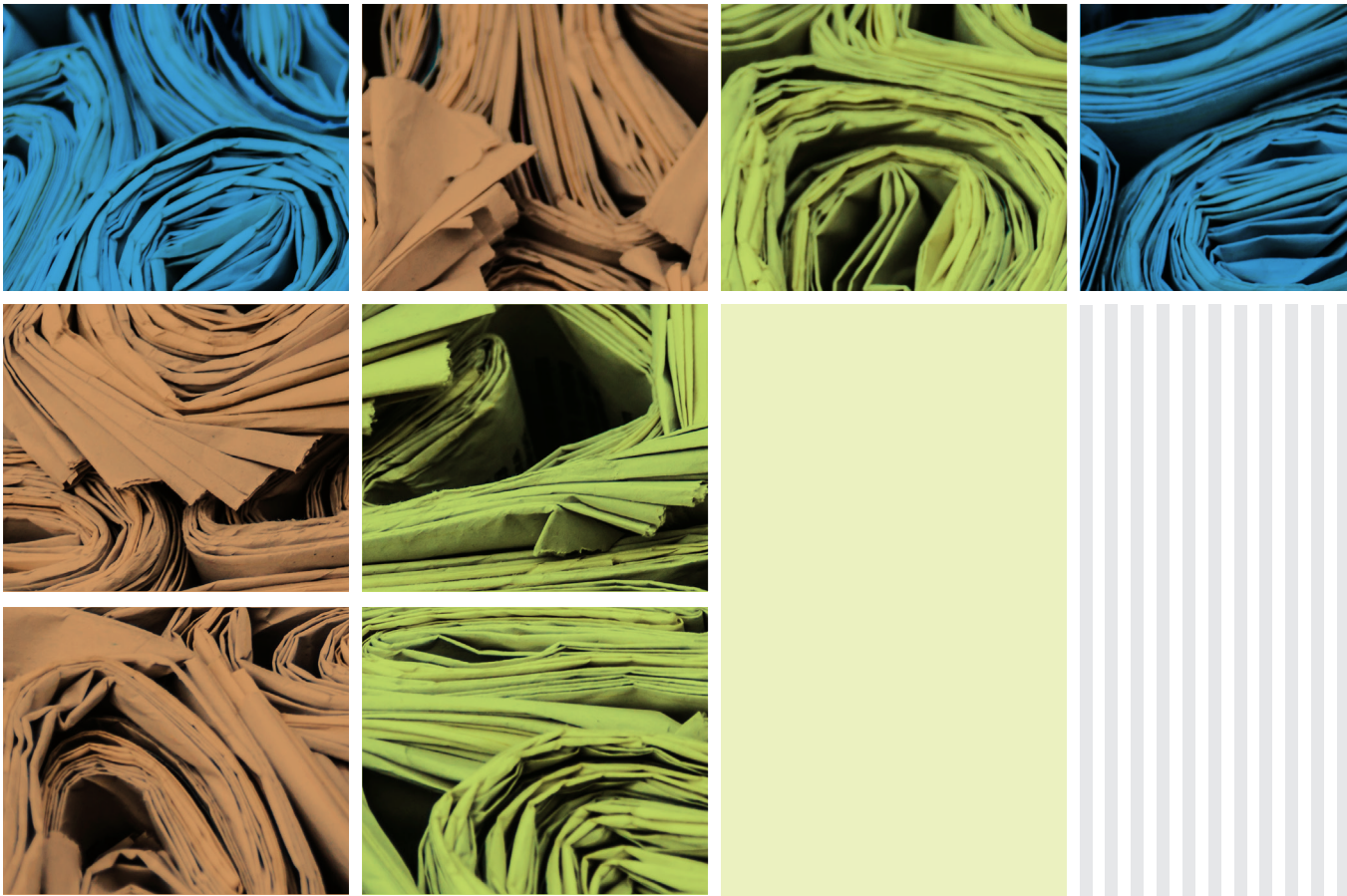


STEWARDSHIP PLAN

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Annual Report



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Message from the President

In 2014, British Columbia's Liberal government introduced an Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) program for blue box materials, which levies fees on consumer-packaged goods companies and retailers.

They did so to reduce unnecessary packaging that was going into waste and recycling streams and to shift the burden of recycling costs from taxpayers to producers. When producers must pay these fees, they have an incentive to innovate and find ways to wrap their products in less packaging.

Newspaper publishers have always been strongly supportive of the BC government's objective of reducing unnecessary packaging and waste. Unfortunately, the capture of newspapers in the regulation failed to recognize that newspapers are the product, not the packaging. When it came to newspapers, these levies were a stealthy job killer.

Since the advent of the blue box, newspapers have had among the highest rates of collection of all recyclable materials. Newspapers continue to be a valuable recovered resource in the recycling stream. They have a stable end market and value as a raw material.

Across Canada, newspapers face a patchwork of provincial regulations, administrative regimes, and fees. The levies charged are based on opaque formulas often devised by monopolies controlled by large retailers and consumer-packaged goods companies, who keep fees on plastic waste relatively constant, while jacking the fees for newspaper by as much as 80 per cent in a single year.

Canada's news publishers are responsible stewards. We have moved to thinner paper and environmentally friendly inks to lower our environmental footprint. Driving up the cost of newspaper production with EPR fees drives down our news content as papers are forced to cut pages and, therefore, value to readers. The knock-on effects are a loss of jobs, many of which are unionized in a sector that is already facing many external challenges, potential shuttering of newspapers, and a less informed (and more mis and dis-informed) citizenry.

Newspapers are a public good that play an important role in a free and democratic society. We hope British Columbia will follow the lead of Ontario and exempt newspapers from EPR levies. EPR levies put newspapers at risk at a time when the public needs trusted sources of information more than ever before.

We look forward to working on other policies to support local news.



Paul Deegan, President and Chief Executive Officer of News Media Canada

Introduction

The *Recycle BC* program in BC turned a decade old in 2024, with the newspaper plan just a few years behind. Things have changed a great deal in that time, but in very different ways between the packaging and the printed paper. While packaging has grown and evolved in its composition, newsprint volumes and distribution have retracted significantly, and our paper material has stayed pretty much the same. While early on our industry was considering the possibility of our own collection system, declining volumes now necessitate a pivot towards managing the change while still delivering as much value to readers as we can.

News Media Canada (NMC) continues to operate as per the original Stewardship Plan, approved in 2017, and will continue to do so. The funding model of cash and value-in-kind advertising remains in place. This notwithstanding, it is our firm belief that that current context necessitates an EPR exemption for newsprint. In any case, we remain open to working with the BC government on a new vision for our now dated plan, if desired. NMC will always be here to work collaboratively with stakeholders and on behalf of our valued and longstanding membership.

We have once again produced an annual report in the interests of transparency and keeping everyone informed. In particular, it is important that we make clear the current state of the industry and when it comes to recycling, the persistent and substantial declines in newsprint volumes over the years.

The format of the 2024 report is very similar to those prior. All *Recycling Regulation* required elements are included. There are updates on the NMC Board, our annual audit, 2024 tonnages and trends, and consumer awareness efforts. Appendix A lists all members and publications active in print at the time of writing.

Continuing the unfortunate trend from 2023 and prior, subscribers to our Plan and their respective titles diminished once again in 2024. Two more publishing groups, *Sing Tao* and *Aberdeen* have dropped off entirely, having ceased all print operations. As well, *Continental Newspaper Limited* went down by two titles, and *Black Press* by eight – three moving to online only and five more closing for good. Moreover, many titles that continue print distribution have become smaller and/or produced less frequently.

In spite of these changes, our members' newsprint continues to be collected across BC. The *Recycle BC* (RBC) system remains robust and growing and provides all readers an easy and convenient system through which to properly recycle their unwanted newspapers. As always, NMC appreciates the work put in by RBC to operate the BC collection system for all residential PPP.

In terms of the NMC Board and governance, David Adsett remains at the helm in the Chair's position. The rest of the board is similar to 2023, with just a few changes among the members-at-large. The overall board consists of a representative 14 members, including the same three executive positions as in past years. Please visit our website for a complete list of directors and their affiliations¹. NMC wishes to express our sincere appreciation to all directors for their contributions and steadfast commitment to our industry in these challenging times.

¹ Refer to the NMC website for a complete and up-to-date list of directors: <https://nmc-mic.ca/about-us/board-of-directors/>

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Mr. Mike Power, *FP Newspapers Inc.*

Mr. Andrew Saunders, *The Globe and Mail*

You can find all Stewardship plan documents and an archive of annual reports on the NMC website.²

² These documents can be found at this link: <https://nmc-mic.ca/public-affairs/newspapers-and-recycling/bc-stewardship/>

Third-Party Audit and Issues with Producer Data

Under the *Recycling Regulation*, a producer is anyone who uses a commercial enterprise to sell, offer for sale, or distribute in BC any material listed in Schedule 5, now known as “Packaging and Paper Products” (formerly called Packaging and Printed Paper). NMC Stewardship Plan members are considered such producers and have signed on to discharge their obligations.

Each year as required by the regulation, NMC commissions an audit of non-financial information from our members, focusing specifically on obligated PPP tonnages distributed into the residential market over the previous calendar year. We are pleased to announce that we once again retained the services of *BDO Canada LLP* for this audit. BDO has prepared all previous audits, ensuring consistency across important reporting aspects. NMC thanks BDO for their efforts with the 2024 survey and report preparation.

Data collection for the report relied heavily on a survey of producer members, which was down to just seven publishers across BC, compared to nine last year. The survey was conducted between March and May of 2025, and done in accordance with the *Institute of Internal Auditors Standards*.

The key elements of the survey consisted of:

- Understanding and evaluating the key processes and controls for managing and reporting in-scope tonnages
- Reviewing risks through testing data, on a sample basis
- Performing interviews, inspection, observation and vouching to adjust the data as appropriate
- Evaluating the sufficiency of the evidence obtained

As in all previous audits, non-financial data comes with inherent limitations and cannot be tested with the same rigour and consistency in standards as financial data. Wherever possible, BDO obtained third-party evidence to support the non-financial data to the greatest degree possible. Key metrics included in the report were consistent with previous reports, with the focus again on Gross Production Volume (GPV), Residential Production Volume (RPV), and disaggregated PPP volumes.

A producer’s “Gross Production Volume” (GPV) refers to the total volume of production of all publications, regardless of whether the material entered the residential stream or not. The GPV figure extends to both newsprint and non-newsprint PPP materials such as plastic film sleeves. BDO identified some issues and inconsistencies with reported GPV data and carried out recalculations and extrapolations as necessary, with these adjustments reflected in the tables featured later in this report.

One of the challenges requiring adjustments was again inconsistent reporting methodologies among the seven publishers. The root cause of this continues to be the fact that some publishers do their own printing in-house, and others contract it out (in some cases to those other publishers with printing capabilities). These practices resulted in different methods of tonnage reporting and some instances of double-reporting. BDO, having dealt with this same issue before, was able to recognize these issues and correct and adjust them as necessary. Accepting that some discrepancies are likely inevitable, NMC will work on BDO’s recommendation to improve guidance and definitions for our members when calculating their GPVs.

The second and more critical reporting metric was “Residential Production Volume” (RPV). This number represents the total volume of material covered by the *Recycling Regulation*, that is, the PPP distributed to the residential market specifically. This number is important because it is the basis upon which producer levies are calculated.

The RPV calculation methodologies used by our different publishers were more consistent and in line with the longstanding provincial agreement:

- Establish the total number of printed copies for each unique publication
- Exclude any copies not discarded through the residential waste stream:
 - Internal copies (copies never distributed after production)
 - Copies distributed to clearly non-residential locations such as hotels, office buildings, transit stations, and other retail subscribers
 - Returns from commercial vendors or newspaper boxes
- Use the resulting total as the number of residential copies
- Use a calculation to translate residential copies into a weight in metric tonnes

The process of calculating RPVs is complex for producers as it can be a manual process requiring information from various sources. Different groups also used slightly different formulas to estimate their respective weights. As such, BDO conducted further testing for these calculations and found them to be reasonable and in compliance. They also recommended further standardization in producer approaches, which NMC will try to improve on for 2025.

The final tonnage section of the BDO report goes into further detail on the five different categories of PPP that are historically generated by the newspaper industry. The categories were once again:

- Newsprint
- Magazines and other bound periodicals
- Plastic film and laminates
- Other printed paper – subscription letter & envelopes
- Other packaging

Naturally, all seven producers reported newsprint tonnage. *Black Press* was again well in front of the rest with 2,291.12 tonnes reported, while *Continental Group* volume was the lowest at 107.86 tonnes. *Black Press* was also highest on “Magazines and other bound periodicals”, with 298.96 tonnes, followed by *Ming Pao* at 131.03. All publishers had tonnage for this category, with *Continental Group* reporting the least at 0.68 tonnes after adjustments.

Only the *Globe and Mail* reported “Plastic Film and Laminates”, with 2.4 tonnes from plastic newspaper sleeves and the like. Reporting on such sleeves has been a bit of a challenge for a few reasons. For one, some producers use biodegradable bags, which are not expected to be recycled (and may well be used for residential organics) and are therefore excluded. As well, some producers rely on their delivery people to decide whether or not to use a plastic sleeve based on the weather conditions of the moment, as opposed to having every paper automatically put in a sleeve. This makes it difficult if not impossible to track plastic bag use over the year.

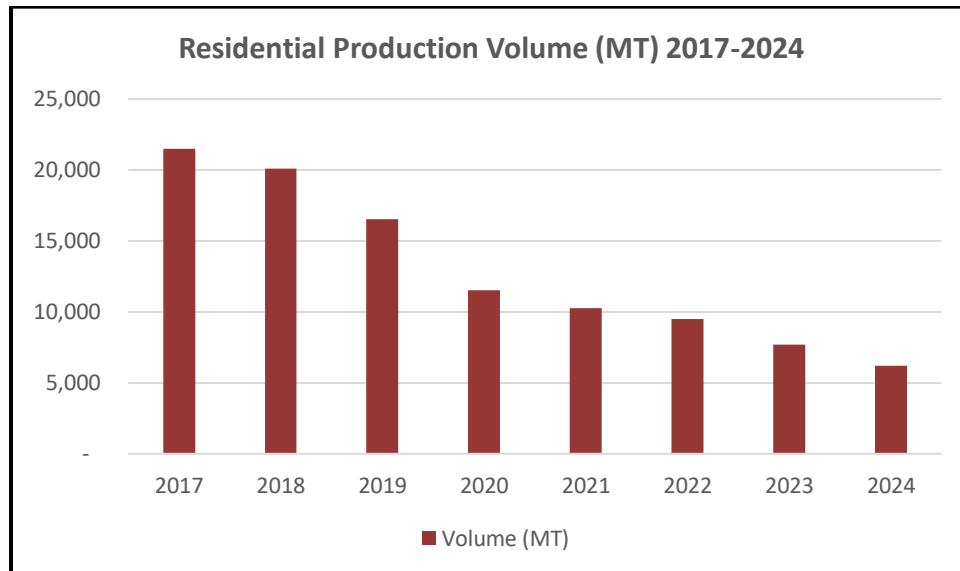
As last year, just two publishers had “Other Printed Paper – subscription letter & envelopes” following adjustments. For some producers with free papers, subscription letters or renewal correspondence

either do not apply, or are trivial in volume and not tracked. Lastly, only *Transcontinental (TC)* reported any “Other Packaging”, which in this case included plastic bag sleeves. All the numbers by publisher and material are detailed in full later in this report.

Tonnage Trends

This section provides data and a stark visualization on the downward tonnage trends since we started reporting in 2017. Since that time, the overall tonnage of residential newsprint obligated under the NMC Plan has gone down by 71%, including 19% drops in each of the last two years. *Glacier Media* took the greatest hit in 2024, with RPV volumes down roughly half after adjustments.

Year	Volume (MT)	% Reduction
2017	21,508	X
2018	20,101	7%
2019	16,520	18%
2020	11,531	30%
2021	10,250	11%
2022	9,504	7%
2023	7,704	19%
2024	6,215	19%



These figures are generated from data gathered during BDO's annual survey of member publishers. Detailed numbers from that survey are provided on the next page.

2024 Tonnages

<i>GROSS PRODUCTION VOLUMES (GPV)</i>	<i>Black Press</i>	<i>Glacier Media</i>	<i>Globe and Mail</i>	<i>Postmedia</i>	<i>TC Pub. Ltd.</i>	<i>Continental Group</i>	<i>Ming Pao</i>	<i>Total</i>
Reported GPV for 2024	2,928.00	475.05	559.89	1,414.47	1,202.59	109.08	690.69	7,379.77
Adjustments	(337.92)	(53.01)	(140.97)	(23.5)	-	(0.54)	-	(449.92)
Revised 2024 Estimates	2,590.08	528.06	418.92	1,390.97	1,202.59	108.54	690.69	6,929.85

<i>RESIDENTIAL PRODUCTION VOLUMES (RPV)</i>	<i>Black Press</i>	<i>Glacier Media</i>	<i>Globe and Mail</i>	<i>Postmedia</i>	<i>TC Pub. Ltd.</i>	<i>Continental Group</i>	<i>Ming Pao</i>	<i>Total</i>
Reported RPV for 2024	3,044.42	475.05	418.92	1,002.15	1,202.59	109.08	400.7	6,652.91
Adjustments	(454.34)	(10.53)	-	9.99	-	(0.54)	17.1	(438.32)
Revised 2024 Estimates	2,590.08	464.52	418.92	1,012.14	1,202.59	108.54	417.79	6,214.58

CATEGORIES OF PPP	Black Press	Glacier Media	Globe and Mail	Postmedia	TC Pub. Ltd.	Continental Group	Ming Pao	Total
I) NEWSPRINT								
Reported in 2024	2,732.32	406.44	403.59	988.15	1,172.54	107.86	286.81	6,097.72
Adjustments	(441.2)	-	-	9.99	-	-	(0.05)	(431.26)
Revised 2024 Estimates	2,291.12	406.44	403.59	998.14	1,172.54	107.86	286.76	5,666.45
II) MAGAZINES AND OTHER BOUND PERIODICALS								
Reported in 2024	-	68.61	12.78	14.00	24.71	1.22	102.2	223.51
Adjustments	298.96	(10.53)	-	-	-	(0.54)	28.84	316.73
Revised 2024 Estimates	298.96	58.08	12.78	14.00	24.71	0.68	131.03	540.24
III) PLASTIC FILM AND LAMINATES								
Reported in 2024	-	-	2.40	-	-	-	-	2.40
Adjustments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revised 2024 Estimates	-	-	2.40	-	-	-	-	2.40
IV) OTHER PRINTED PAPER -								
Reported in 2024	312.10	-	0.15	-	2.82	-	11.69	326.76
Adjustments	(312.10)	-	-	-	-	-	(11.69)	(323.79)
Revised 2024 Estimates	-	-	0.15	-	2.82	-	-	2.97
V) OTHER PACKAGING								
Reported in 2024	-	-	-	-	2.52	-	-	2.52
Adjustments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revised 2024 Estimates	-	-	-	-	2.52	-	-	2.52

Consumer Awareness

A commitment to newspaper recycling promotion is an element of the NMC Stewardship Plan. Specifically, the wording references “ongoing recycling promotion in B.C. newspapers”. Our members continued to deliver on this commitment throughout 2024. The irony, of course, is that with so much less hard copy newsprint now being distributed in BC, there is less and less opportunity to spread the recycling message via ads and promotions, not to mention less material to recycle at all. In any case, we are proud of the work our readers have done in recycling their papers at very high rates and will continue to encourage and promote their efforts through 2025 and beyond.

This year’s BDO audit report concluded that once again members had reasonably met the recycling promotion requirement, “with the majority having included promotional pieces throughout the year.”

The full suite of ads designed a number of years ago was available throughout 2024 to all members for their free and unconditional use. *Glacier Media* was again exemplary in their promotion of these ads, running them in most all of their publications for every edition. Other local publishers like *Black Press* made similar efforts, as did national publications like the *Globe and Mail*, with examples provided on the following pages. These examples show how ads were included across all manner of newspaper sections, including everything from the front page to the classified section. This ensured maximum exposure to all sorts of readers with a wide range of interests.

NMC would like to emphasize that our papers remain an effective means of communication, including advertising and dissemination of other important public information, such as government-related. Those who pay attention to the news are a critical government audience as they are more likely to vote in elections and be engaged with their communities. On this note, we invite all levels of government to take advantage of our papers to communicate with British Columbians, particularly as a local, Canadian alternative to American owned online social media and other platforms.

Example of recent ad run on the front page of Black Press' Caledonia Courier (June 12, 2025):

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Aaron Manella of Prince George enjoyed hiking up Mt. Pope in May on May 31, 2025. (Aaron Manella)

Open fire prohibition takes effect



Black Press Media Staff

Effective as of noon on Sunday, June 8, Category 2 and Category 3 open burning is now prohibited throughout the remainder of the Prince George Fire Centre, now including Vanderhoof and Fort St. James.

Robson Valley, Prince George and Mackenzie fire zones are also included, meaning Category 2 and Category 3 open burning will be prohibited throughout the entire Prince George Fire Centre.

This prohibition does not ban Category 1 campfires that are a half-metre high by half-metre wide or smaller,

or the use of cooking stoves that use gas, propane or briquettes.

However, these campfires still remain prohibited for the Dawson, Fort St. John and Fort Nelson fire zones.

These bans apply to all public and private lands unless otherwise specified, such as in an enactment or local government bylaw.

In addition to prohibiting the use of open fires of any size, fireworks, sky lanterns, burn barrels or burn cages of any size or description and binary exploding targets are also prohibited.

More details and a full list of prohibited activities is available at <https://blog.gov.bc.ca/.../open-fire-prohibition.../>.

Example of recent ad run in the North Shore News (May 28, 2025):

DNV councillor says board missing the point

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Vancouver business as well as converting a monthly stipend for committee chairs in favour of a double meeting fee.

Directors are currently paid \$547 per meeting.

At the meeting, City of North Vancouver Mayor Linda Buchanan suggested the governance of Metro Vancouver would not be under such scrutiny were it not for the cost overrun on the North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant, and Shayne Gregg, the report's author, did not disagree.

Gregg told the board his report was not intended to recommend "transformative" changes to the board.

Hurley said the votes on the remuneration adjustments were merely preliminary or "quick" fixes based on the clearest recommendations from Gregg.



DNV COUN. Catherine Pope has been critical of Metro Vancouver's handling of the North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant project. PHO. MEGAN HUNTER

Metro Vancouver critic reacts

On Monday, District of North Vancouver COUN. Catherine Pope, who has been among the most vocal critics of the Metro board throughout the wastewater scandal, said the Deloitte report was a good start and that she has full faith in the people behind it. But she added it does not get at the underlying issue that's festering – what went wrong with the North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant.

"Reducing the size of the board and board meeting stipends is fine ... but it's pretty small potatoes compared to the reason why this report was asked for in the first place," she said.

In the interests of accountability, the report also stressed that "it is paramount to balance confidentiality and the need for transparency," but Pope said she did not see the board take any actions towards that.

"I believe that is a result response largely due to the North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant cost overruns and all of the criticism that's come out since then," she said. "But it was not part of the Metro board's release, and it doesn't seem to be on their radar."

Pope said she agrees with the general direction the governance review recommends, and said it could result in better decisions in the future.

"What we've seen time and time again is political leaders are put in these positions where they have a limited amount of knowledge in the field, and they're making enormous, billion-dollar decisions that have long-term impacts on the community," she said. "I'm disappointed that I'm not seeing more response to this report from Metro, but it doesn't surprise me."

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All written bids to Mundie's Towing 5017 Thorne Ave, Burnaby, BC, V9N 2T8.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mundie's TOWING & RECOVERY</p>	<p>Warehouse Lien Act</p> <p>The following vehicles will be sold as of June 12, 2025 for nonpayment plus costs accruing.</p> <p>2012 Ford Mustang 1ZVSP9AMC5219194 Tyler Delane \$1310.24</p> <p>2007 BMW 323i WD4V1133587K029481 Randall Weisgarber \$1310.24</p> <p>2005 Chrysler Town & Country 2C4QP6AL15R1150468 Kerry Chan \$986.59</p> <p>Please contact before June 12, 2025 Duke Towing Services Ltd. 1555 Powell St, Van. BC, V5L 5C3 604-251-2044</p> <p>WAREHOUSEMAN'S LIEN</p> <p>LANE JAMUS ANCHER is indebted to Roadway Towing Ltd. for storage and towing on 2013 Green Mini HARTOP with VIN WAW65UNGS20T722418. A Lien is claimed under the Act. There is presently an amount due and owing of \$ 17,461.25 plus any additional costs of storage, seizure and sale that may accrue. 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Example of recent ad run in the Globe and Mail (December 31, 2024):

South Korea: Experts who watched footage say plane appeared to experience fatal combination of factors that led to crash

FROM A1

As officials were racing to investigate the crash, a central question has emerged among analysts: What happened during the four minutes between the pilot's urgent report of a bird strike and the plane's fatal crash?

Footage of the Boeing 737-800 landing at the airport showed it skidding down the runway without its landing gear deployed. As it hurtled along on its belly, engulfed by what looked like clouds of dust, smoke and sparks, it did not seem able to slow its speed before slamming into the concrete structure 820 feet after the end of the runway.

"A big question is why the pilot was in such a hurry to land," said Hwang Hwon, chair of the Korea Association for Aviation Security.

When pilots plan to do a belly landing, they usually try to buy time, dumping extra fuel from the air and allowing time for the ground staff to prepare for the emergency, Mr. Hwang said. But the Jeju Air pilot apparently decided that he didn't have such time, he said.

"Did he lose both engines?" Mr. Hwang said. "Was the decision to land in such a hurry a human error?"

Officials recovered the plane's "black box," an electronic flight recorder that contains cockpit voice and other flight data that would help the investigation of aviation accidents. The device was partly damaged, so it could take time to recover the data, said Ju Jong-wan, a director of aviation policy at the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport.

With the investigation still at a preliminary stage, officials were careful not to make any pre-emptive declarations on questions arising from the crash, including whether both of the plane's engines were out when it was landing. But experts who have watched the footage of the landing said the plane appeared to experience a fatal combination of factors that made the crash far worse than it could have been.

The Muan airport normally has a 9,200-

foot-long runway. But when the Jeju Air plane was landing, only 8,200 feet of it was usable because of construction work under way to extend the runway. (Still, this is long enough for landing 737-800s, officials say.) On Sunday, the plane also missed the usual touchdown zone and instead touched down farther along the runway than normal.

As it landed, the plane's pilot also appeared unable to control both its engines and landing gear, depriving him of two of the plane's three key means of slowing down: the landing gear brake and the engines' reverse thrusts, aviation experts said. They said the plane also did not appear to have activated its wing flaps, another means of cutting down speed.

The plane went so fast that it overshoot the runway and rammed straight into a concrete structure surrounded by an earth mound. The structure was built to install the so-called localizer antenna, which helps enable the pilot to maintain the correct approach path.

Mr. Ju said that such a concrete structure was found in other airports in South Korea and abroad. It was built according to regulations, but the government planned to investigate whether the rules should be revised in the wake of the Jeju Air crash, he said. Some experts, including Mr. Hwang, said that if there had been no such concrete structure or if the antenna had been installed on a more easily breakable mount, the plane might have avoided tragedy.

But they also stressed that the plane's trouble began before it hit the structure.

"Engine trouble doesn't necessarily mean landing gear trouble; the two are not necessarily related," said Paek Seung-joo, a professor of public safety at Open Cyber University of Korea. "But in this case, both appear to have happened, forcing the plane to decide to do a belly landing in a matter of minutes."

Even if the plane had lost one engine to a bird strike, the pilot still could have been able to operate a hydraulic pump to lower the landing gear with the power from the other engine, said J.Y. Jung, an aviation

expert at Khyungwoon University in South Korea.

And analysts said if both engines were lost, the pilot could still manually lower the landing gear. But given the hurried way the pilot attempted to land, he might not have had enough time, they said.

"Questions like these won't be answered until they examine the plane's flight data recorder," Mr. Jung said.

Scrutiny has also fallen on the risk of bird strikes. Migratory birds travel along the western coast of the Korean Peninsula because its tidal flats provide them with ideal resting and feeding places. The Muan airport was surrounded by such places and was more prone to bird strikes than other airports in South Korea, according to government data about bird strikes. Officials said they would investigate whether the airport had implemented government recommendations for keeping birds away.

Officials said they would also look into whether Jeju Air cut corners on safety while trying to maximize profit. Jeju Air is the biggest of South Korea's nine low-cost carriers and is among the most aggressive in attracting passengers. Its planes put in more hours than its competitors', officials said. Within the 48 hours of its crash in Muan, the Jeju Air plane had made a dozen trips within South Korea or to China, Taiwan, Malaysia and Japan.

The government also said it would conduct safety inspections of all Boeing 737-800 aircraft operated by the country's airlines. They made the statement after a Jeju Air Boeing 737-800 passenger jet departing from Gimpo Airport in Seoul on Monday, for the southern island of Jeju, reported a landing-gear issue after takeoff and returned to Gimpo.

Jeju Air said that the problem was fixed while the plane was in the air after the pilot consulted with the maintenance crew on the ground.

"But the pilot still wanted to return to the airport for a checkup for safety," Song Kyong-hun, a Jeju Air executive, said.

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and potentially competing interests.

The internationally recognized Syrian national coalition was established in 2012 to overthrow the former administration.

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IRAN CONFIRMS ARREST OF ITALIAN JOURNALIST

Iran confirmed the arrest of Italian journalist Cecilia Sala for "violating the laws of the Islamic Republic," Iran's official IRNA news agency reported on Monday.

Ms. Sala, 29, who works for the newspaper Il Foglio and the podcast company Chora Media, was detained in Tehran on Dec. 19, according to the Italian Foreign Ministry.

Italy's Foreign Minister Antonio Tajani on Saturday declined to say whether the case might be linked to the arrest of an Iranian in Italy this month at the request of the United States.

The case of the Italian journalist being held in Iran is "complicated," but Rome hopes to bring Ms. Sala home quickly, Mr. Tajani said.

"Italian national Cecilia Sala travelled to Iran on Dec. 13 with a journalist visa and was detained on Dec. 19 ... for violating the laws of the Islamic Republic," a statement by Iran's Culture Ministry said, according to IRNA.

Chora Media said Ms. Sala had left Rome for Iran on Dec. 12 with a valid journalist visa and had conducted interviews and produced three episodes of her Stories podcast. She had been due to fly back to Rome on Dec. 20.

Ms. Sala has been in contact by phone with her family and the Italian embassy in Tehran was notified of her detention, the statement said. REUTERS

SOUTH KOREAN COURT ISSUES WARRANTS TO DETAIN IMPEACHED PRESIDENT YOON, SEARCH HIS OFFICE

SEOUL South Korea's anti-corruption agency said Tuesday that a court has issued warrants to detain impeached President Yoon Suk Yeol and search his office.

The Corruption Investigation Office for High-Ranking Officials said in a statement that the Seoul Western District Court issued warrants to detain Mr. Yoon over his stunning yet short-lived martial law decree earlier this month and to search the presidential office in central Seoul.

The agency said it is investigating

whether his declaration of martial law amounted to rebellion.

Mr. Yoon's powers have been suspended since the opposition-controlled National Assembly voted to impeach him on Dec. 14. The Constitutional Court is to determine whether to dismiss Mr. Yoon as president or reinstate him.

But he has since ignored repeated requests by investigative authorities to appear for questioning and allow them to search his office.

Mr. Yoon has the presidential privilege of immunity from criminal prosecution,

but it does not extend to allegations of rebellion or treason.

The anti-corruption agency said it has no immediate plans on how to proceed with the court-issued warrants. A lawyer for Mr. Yoon denounced the agency's request for the warrants on Monday, arguing it lacked the legal authority to investigate rebellion charges.

Many observers earlier doubted that authorities would forcefully detain him because of the potential for clashes with the presidential security service.

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Environmental Impact

The key environmental goal of EPR policies is to reduce the environmental impact of designated materials. Provincial programs for chemicals and e-waste, for example, have set-up collection systems that keep these harmful materials out of landfills, not to mention off roadsides and empty lots. And programs for packaging such as Schedule 5, are intended to reduce the volume of packaging materials used by producers, thereby reducing their environmental impact. At a 71% volume reduction in less than ten years, we think it's safe to say newspapers have reduced our impact far more than any packaging producer.

This massive reduction is the result of a few key factors. First, more of our news has moved off paper to electronic format, through papers moving entirely online or shifting portions of their content. Second, many hard copy papers have reduced their frequency of distribution, for example from weekly to biweekly, or eliminating weekend editions. And finally, much of the paper we use is thinner and more lightweight than it once was. These things in aggregate mean the number of tonnes our membership distributed into the residential market is a lot less than it was even a short time ago. Meanwhile, producers of packaged products have largely seen increases in their volumes and the related impacts, due in part, to the huge growth in heavily packaged online purchases.

It's worth noting, less newsprint distribution is not exactly a good thing for our industry. Expanding online availability is good for the changing times and younger generations, however traditional hard copies have and continue to be an important format for many people to access news and stay informed. The phasing out of print news has meant the shuttering of many publications altogether, which has been devastating to many of our avid readers, especially those in smaller communities. No doubt, this has been a high price to pay for the environmental benefit of less paper use.

Looking forward, there's not a great deal else we can do in terms of being more environmentally friendly. Considering the simplicity of our product – paper that is already as thin as it can be, sourced from recycled content and certified manufacturers, and printed with plant-based inks – we have done as much as possible on this front. No doubt, however, we will see our tonnages decrease further each year, and the impacts of that paper with them.

Conclusion

19% volume reductions in two consecutive years is a big deal for the newspaper industry in BC. And we are under no illusions that this trend will reverse. Our challenge now is understanding the changes, planning, and helping our members transition. It is NMC's hope that our industry will continue to keep the BC and Canadian public informed with quality journalism for as long as we are able. The consequences of doing anything else would be deeply problematic.

We believe that these interests are shared with the BC government. Misinformation, disinformation, fake news and the rest don't just hurt the news media, they threaten public confidence and legitimacy of governments at all levels. We are in this fight together, and we all benefit from a healthy news industry.

NMC has made no secret of the fact that we believe a newsprint exemption from the *Recycling Regulation* is the best way forward. BC already exempts books. Ontario introduced a full newsprint exemption some years ago. Indeed, with tonnages already so low and only dropping, it now makes more sense than ever.

But for the time being, NMC is committed to abide by the existing Stewardship Plan and advocate for our members as strongly as we can. Thanks to everyone who has taken the time to read and consider this report. Until next year.

Appendix A – List of Current Members and Publications for 2024 Annual Report

This Appendix provides an up-to-date list of publishers and titles that are included under the NMC Stewardship Plan. 2024 saw a continued decline in both members and publications. This was again due to some ceasing business operations altogether and others moving to online distribution only. Obviously, papers that move to online only do not generate any physical paper, so no longer have any obligations under the *Recycling Regulation*.

The specific changes for 2024 were:

- *Black Press Group Ltd.* has been reduced by 8 titles (3 gone to online only and 5 shut down entirely)
- *Continental Newspapers Ltd.* has been reduced by 2 titles
- *Sing Tao* and *Aberdeen* have ceased print operations and are no longer signatories to the NMC Stewardship Plan

Remaining Member Publishers and Titles as of June 2024:

- Postmedia Network Inc.
 - Vancouver Sun
 - Province
 - National Post
- The Globe and Mail Inc.
 - Globe and Mail
- Black Press Group Ltd.
 - 100 Mile House Free Press
 - Abbotsford News
 - Agassiz-Harrison Observer
 - Alberni Valley News
 - Aldergrove Star
 - Ashcroft-Cache Creek Journal
 - Barriere Star Journal
 - Bella Coola Coast Mountain News
 - Boulevard – Okanagan
 - Boulevard Mid-Island
 - Boulevard Victoria
 - Burns Lake / Lakes District News
 - Campbell River Mirror
 - Canadian Grapes to Wine
 - Castlegar News
 - Chemainus Valley Courier
 - Chilliwack Progress
 - Clearwater Times
 - Cloverdale Reporter
 - Courtenay / Comox Valley Record

- Cranbrook Daily Townsman
- Cranbrook Kootenay News Advertiser
- Creston Valley Advance
- Duncan Cowichan Valley Citizen
- Fernie Free Press
- Fort St. James Caledonia Courier
- Goldstream News Gazette
- Grand Forks Gazette
- Gulf Island Driftwood
- Hope Standard
- Houston Today
- Invermere, The Valley Echo
- Kelowna Capital News
- Keremeos, The Review
- Kimberly Daily Bulletin
- Kitimat, Northern Sentinel
- Kootenay Extra
- Ladysmith-Chemainus Chronicle
- Lake Cowichan Gazette
- Langley Advance Times
- Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows News
- Mission City Record
- Monday Magazine
- Nakusp, Arrow Lakes News
- Nanaimo News Bulletin
- Nelson Star
- North Delta Reporter
- Northern Connector
- Oak Bay News
- Parksville/Qualicum Beach News
- Peace Arch News, White Rock/South Surrey
- Penticton Western News
- Port Hardy, North Island Gazette
- Prince Rupert, The Northern View
- Princeton, The Similkameen Spotlight
- Quesnel, Cariboo Observer
- Real Estate Victoria
- Real Estate Weekly Abbotsford
- Real Estate Weekly Langley
- Real Estate Weekly Surrey
- Revelstoke Times Review
- Rossland News
- Saanich News
- Salmon Arm Observer
- Sidney, Peninsula News Review
- Smithers, Interior News
- Sooke News Mirror
- Summerland Review

- Surrey Now Leader
 - Terrace Standard
 - Tofino-Ucuelet Westerly News
 - Trail Daily Times
 - Vanderhoof, Omineca Express
 - Vernon, Morning Star
 - Victoria News
 - Williams Lake Tribune
 - Wine Trails
 - Winfield, Lake County Calendar
- Glacier Media Inc.
 - Bowen Island Undercurrent
 - Business in Vancouver
 - Coast Reporter
 - Delta Optimist
 - Merritt Herald
 - North Shore News
 - Northern Horizon
 - Powell River Peak
 - Squamish Chief
 - Western Investor
 - Whistler Pique
- Continental Newspapers Ltd.
 - The Daily Courier
 - The Penticton Herald
- TC Publications Ltd. Partnership
 - Victoria Times Colonist
- Ming Pao Newspaper (Canada) Ltd.
 - Canadian Chinese Express
 - Healthy Living Biweekly
 - Ming Pao Daily News
 - Ming Pao Gourmet
 - Ming Pao Property Gold Pages
 - Ming Pao Saturday Magazine
 - Ming Pao Weekly



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