

Below is a response from a Metro Vancouver councillor regarding our original campaign against the incinerator. You can see that there is still an effort being made to keep their intentions hidden.

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**Fwd: Concerned Citizen Against Hidden Plan**  
Sent: Friday, December 8, 2017 at 2:05 PM

From: **Councillor Rudy Storteboom** <rstorteboom@langleycity.ca>  
Date: Fri, Dec 1, 2017 at 4:19 PM  
Subject: Re: Concerned Citizen Against Hidden Plan

Dear Concerned Citizen,

In recent days, Metro Vancouver Directors have received multiple emails opposing proposed new solid waste regulatory measures. The concerns erroneously link the proposed changes to future waste-to-energy capacity.

Please be advised that Metro Vancouver is currently updating parts of its solid waste regulatory framework to help reduce waste, boost recycling rates and ensure that future infrastructure is adequately funded and modernized in the way we regulate private sector facilities. Further, please be advised that a new waste-to-energy incinerator is not identified in the 2018 – 2022 projected Solid Waste Services Budget.

The purpose of the current regulatory proposals are to license Commercial Haulers and put in place a Generator Levy. These initiatives are intended to require waste generators to contribute to the fixed costs of transfer stations and increase recycling in multi-family, commercial and institutional buildings. A Generator Levy would mean all residents and businesses in Metro Vancouver who generate waste will contribute toward the fixed costs of the solid waste system, including planning and transfer stations. Future consideration of any new waste-to-energy would be funded from the disposal component of the Tipping Fee - not the Generator Levy.

Further, in November 2015, Metro Vancouver discontinued its waste-to-energy procurement process due to uncertainty around future waste volumes and continued reduction in residual waste. Between 2018 and 2022, Metro Vancouver is investing \$73 million into technology and emissions control upgrades to its existing waste-to-energy facility in Burnaby. New waste-to-energy has not been identified in the 2018 – 2022 projected Solid Waste Services Budget. Any new waste-to-energy facilities would involve extensive consultation with stakeholders including neighbouring regional districts and require approval of the Province of British Columbia through the Environmental Assessment process.

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**1 Greg Moore hasn't abandoned his incinerator plan—he said so on the radio**

**2 A tax on garbage even if you don't dispose of it in Vancouver! Metro Vancouver has you over a barrel.**

**3 Metro Vancouver is burning compostable materials!**

**4 The incinerator plan will take more than five years.**

**5 Where they are BURNING your food waste.**

**6 Incinerator construction costs are fixed costs. Are they confused, or will they double-charge us?**

**7 The new garbage fee will have to fund this process.**