

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## TransAqua compost shortage

**RIVERVIEW, N.B.** – TransAqua – the Greater Moncton Wastewater Commission – is informing the public that as a result of continued and growing public support along with highest level of demand for TransAqua compost to date, the supply of compost is at the lowest levels ever. Because of this, TransAqua will not be able to supply any compost to the public beginning on July 19, 2016. The remaining compost from 2015 (it takes one year to produce high quality compost) will be tested with the results expected by August 2, 2016 at which time TransAqua will inform the public that free compost is once again available.

"In 2015, over 7,250 tonnes of compost were introduced back into the Greater Moncton Area. So far in 2016, the public has removed over 6,000 tonnes of compost from our Delong Drive compost facility and we still have 3 months left to go" said TransAqua General Manager Kevin Rice. "The community support for this program is much appreciated and continues to grow each year. Once the \$90.4 million wastewater treatment facility is commissioned in 2020, we will be producing up to 50% more compost".

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## About TransAqua

TransAqua, the Greater Moncton Wastewater Commission (<u>www.transaqua.ca</u>) was established in 1983 to support the wastewater collection and treatment needs of the Dieppe, Moncton and Riverview tri-community. Since then, it has developed a 31-kilometre collection network and a treatment facility to best deliver on this mandate. It has also become a leader in the reuse of bio-solids through the generation of type 'AA' compost (the highest grade currently achieved in Canada) as opposed to disposal in a landfill site. The organization is now positioning itself to further upgrade its facilities to provide an enhanced secondary treatment approach that will allow it to meet recently introduced mandatory federal regulations prior to the 2020 deadline.



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