



Repurposing Program

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Sustainable Innovation Department



Purpose and Commitment

At **Groupe Intersand Canada Inc.** and **Intersand America Corp** (collectively, “Intersand”), we recognize that environmental responsibility is fundamental to our mission of creating innovative, sustainable solutions for cats and their families. This Repurposing Program (“Program”) reflects our commitment to minimizing our environmental footprint by reducing waste sent to landfills, optimizing the use of resources, and supporting the development of a circular economy.

Intersand’s approach is rooted in doing the right thing, in the right way, every day. We embrace the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as guiding principles and strive to incorporate them into all our operations. Our efforts in waste management support SDGs such as responsible consumption & production, climate action, and life on land.



Objectives

Through the implementation of a facility-wide repurposing program, Intersand seeks to:

- Prevent the waste of valuable materials ;
- Decrease greenhouse gas emissions associated with virgin material production ;
- Engage employees and management in continuous improvement initiatives ;
- Ensuring compliance with local regulations ;
- Demonstrate leadership in sustainable manufacturing practices.

Definition

Repurposing is defined as the process of reprocessing materials into new products. This practice prevents the waste of potentially useful resources, reduces the consumption of virgin raw materials, decreases overall energy usage, and mitigates greenhouse gas emissions when compared to the production of new materials.

Scope

The Program applies to all Intersand facilities, including:

- **Boucherville, QC (ICB)**
- **Saint-Alexis-de-Montcalm, QC (ICS)**
- **Etobicoke, Ontario (ICE)**
- **Windsor, Colorado (IAC)**

The scope of the Program includes the ongoing collection, handling, and recycling of standard materials that are commonly diverted from landfill streams. These materials include:

- **Mixed paper**, such as office paper, newspapers, and magazines.
- **Cardboard**, including boxes and packaging materials.
- **Mixed plastics**, encompassing rigid plastics and flexible films where accepted locally.
- **Glass**, such as bottles and containers.
- **Metals**, including aluminum, tin, and steel products.
- **Cat litter residues and production dust** generated during manufacturing and packaging processes.

By integrating these specific streams, Intersand ensures that its repurposing initiatives not only address traditional recyclable materials but also include the by-products directly connected to its core business activities, thereby reinforcing its commitment to environmental stewardship and circular economy principles.

Local Repurposing Context by Facility

Each Intersand facility must comply with local recycling rules. The table next page outlines the accepted materials by site and provides examples to guide proper sorting.

1) Bin Identification and Employee Guidance

To ensure proper sorting, each facility is equipped with clearly labeled recycling bins that correspond to the local recycling standards and waste streams identified above. The color and labeling of these bins are consistent with regional waste management practices to avoid confusion among employees. Signage is provided in local official primary language (French for Quebec's facilities, and English for Ontario and Colorado facilities). Posters and visual guides are installed at key collection points to illustrate accepted and prohibited materials.

Current Status, Targets and Continuous Improvement

Intersand currently achieves an **overall diversion rate of 80% across all facilities**, supported by strong collecting, classification and recycling practices and local partnerships that enable the revalorization of litter dust, production waste, soft polyethylene plastics and plastic emptied tote tanks. While this performance reflects significant progress, there is an opportunity to improve measurement systems to gain more precise, site-specific data.

Our goal is to reach a 90% diversion rate, which will be achieved by strengthening data tracking and developing new revalorization avenues in collaboration with additional local partners. We plan, in 2026, to complete Material Flow Cost Analysis (MFCA) in at least 2 of our 4 plants to identify remaining material streams that may be better repurposed. These initiatives will allow us to reduce the volume of waste sent to landfill and enhance the environmental and community impact of our operations.

To support this commitment in future years, Intersand will monitor and audit recycling streams on an annual basis, share results internally to board of directors to guide decision-making, and provide annual training sessions to plant managers to ensure employees are informed, engaged, and aligned with best practices and evolving sustainability standards.

TABLE 1: REPURPOSING ROUTE PER MATERIAL STREAM AND FACILITY

Material Stream	What to Include	Boucherville, QC (ICB)	Saint-Alexis, QC (ICS)	Etobicoke, ON (ICE)	Windsor, CO (IAC)
Mixed Paper	Office paper, newspapers, envelopes (w/o plastic windows), shredded paper in clear bags	Yes Blue Bin	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cardboard	Corrugated boxes, packaging boxes, flattened cartons (w/o plastic tape)	Yes Blue Bin	Yes	Yes	Yes
Polyethylene compressed plastics	clean plastic film, stretch wrap, liners, monolayered cat litter packaging	Yes Contract with independent repurposer	Yes Contract with independent repurposer	Not yet	Yes Contract with independent repurposer
Mixed Plastics	Plastic bottles, rigid containers, multilayered cat litter packaging (see below)	Yes Blue Bin	Yes (rigid only)	Yes (#1, #2, #5)	Yes (#1, #2 only)
Glass	Clear, green, and brown glass bottles or jars (rinsed, no lids)	Yes Blue Bin	Yes Blue Bin	No – drop-off only	No – drop-off only
Metals	Aluminum cans, steel cans, clean foil, metal lids	Yes Consignaction Bin for cans Blue Bin for the rest	Yes Consignaction Bin for cans Blue Bin for the rest	Yes	Yes Blue Bin
Cat Litter Dust & Residues	Production dust and waste litter generated during manufacturing and packaging	Revalorized locally	Revalorized locally	Revalorized locally	Revalorized locally
Tote tanks	Emptied, soiled tote tanks of 1025L in plastic and metal structure	Yes Contract with independent repurposer	Yes Contract with independent repurposer	Not yet	Not yet
Soft Plastics / Specialty Items	Multilayer packaging, laminated bags	Separate drop-off	Separate drop-off	Separate drop-off	Separate drop-off

Roles and Responsibilities

Role	Responsibilities
Sustainability Team	Program oversight, reporting, partner and opportunity research.
Plant Managers	Ensure local compliance and employee training, waste inventory, improvement of waste sorting.
Employees	Proper sorting of materials and participation in awareness initiatives.
Procurement Team	Collaborate with suppliers to minimize non-recyclable packaging, Research supplies with less protective or secondary and tertiary packaging

Authorization

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