



**In the fall of 2008 Applewood Acres Gardening & Landscaping Inc, was approached by consultants acting for the Ministry of Environment and the Ontario McGuinty government to solicit Applewood's comments on the then proposed government ban on cosmetic pesticides.**

**Richard Brzakala, President of Applewood Acres Gardening, offered many suggestions on how the proposed ban should be implemented.**

**Mr. Brzakala, along with other Board Members of the Organic Landscape Alliance (OLA), made their views know to the consultants. The effects of those consultations, and other factors, resulted in the implementation of the province wide ban on the cosmetic use of pesticides.**

**Applewood's comments are recorded as part of the information gathering sessions held by the McGuinty government and are now part of the public record identifying Applewood's long established support for organic gardening and its fervent opposition to pesticide use.**

**Effect(s) of Government Consultation on this Decision:**

**Consultation on the proposed regulation under the Pesticides Act began with a 45-day posting on the Environmental Registry on November 7, 2008. The comment period closed December 22, 2008, and 3989 submissions were received. Comments were received from a range of sectors, including the public. These submissions were considered during the final development of the General Regulation under the Pesticides Act.**

**Visit Applewood Acres Gardening & Landscaping Inc. comments on Ontario Proposed Pesticide Ban ( # 119046 )**  
**[www.ebr.gov.on.ca/ERS-WEB-External/searchCommentList.do?ebrNum=010-5080&page=230&noticeId=MTA0OTk2&statusId=MTU4OTcw&noticeHeaderIdSt ring=MTA1OTk4](http://www.ebr.gov.on.ca/ERS-WEB-External/searchCommentList.do?ebrNum=010-5080&page=230&noticeId=MTA0OTk2&statusId=MTU4OTcw&noticeHeaderIdSt ring=MTA1OTk4)**