



## **Co-op Cost Cutters Update August 2007**

### **New Asbestos Legislation for Ontario**

There are new regulations in Ontario that require all buildings to identify asbestos containing materials. The goal of this legislation is to create an inventory of where asbestos is located and to put a management program in place, to raise awareness of the potential hazard of this substance.

Experts in the field suggest that inspections be done for any structures built before 1990. The legislation requires that an asbestos inventory be developed. This would be done by completing an inspection by a qualified person. If asbestos is found, the location must be recorded and the information maintained. If asbestos is found, members and staff must be advised of where it is located. Anyone working close to any asbestos must also be advised.

November 1, 2007 is the deadline to complete an inspection or have a plan in place to do an inspection.

CHF Canada has asked Co-op Cost Cutters to look into companies that can do these asbestos inspections.

### **New Phelps rep**

If your co-op is looking for energy and water efficient laundry equipment, contact our new *Phelps* representative, Leah Werry, at 1 866 557-5599. That number is the Phelps switchboard. Ask for Leah and you will be put through to her line. If you get her voice mail, leave a message and she will return your call promptly. Leah formerly worked at the City of Toronto Water Efficiency Office. We are fortunate to have someone with her water savings background working with Co-op Cost Cutters on the laundry side.

### **Paint special**

*ICI Paints* recently launched new, lower pricing for our sector, plus a buy 4 gallons, get 1 free special. So take advantage of the added savings, as the special ends August 31. Members can purchase a great painting kit for \$11.49 and a paint voucher makes this service easy to use. If your co-op provides a paint allowance, the voucher can be used at any ICI, Color Your World or Glidden store. Members pick up their allotted paint and the co-op is sent the invoice. For co-ops that do not have a paint allowance, members can still get the savings but pay directly. Co-ops get free delivery on orders of 10 gallons or more. To find your nearest store or who your local ICI rep is, call Joanna Tiffin at 416 209-3905. If you are calling long distance, leave a message for her at 1 800 387-3767, extension 6224 and she will get back to you promptly.