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# SUMMARY OF ANALYSIS REPORT

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CQA Member#: 07-1200

Attention:

Sample I.D.: ROWD17

Report#: C17352-10085  
C17352-70002

Sample Date:  
Reported Date: 2017-12-29

Compost to be Manufacture in: ON  
Feedstock: Leaf & Yard Residues

## CQA COMPOST QUALITY & VALUE TESTING PARAMETERS REPORT

SAMPLE ID	RECOMMENDED END USE/MARKET
ROWD17	Category AA
Regulatory	See Appendix I
Product Quality	See Appendix II
Product Value/ Soil	See Appendix III
Suitability*	(Soil, Enviro, Manure Compost)

The Compost Quality Alliance (CQA) is a voluntary quality monitoring program established by the Compost Council of Canada and the compost producers utilizing recognized standardized testing methodologies and uniform operating protocols to provide customer assurance in compost selection its use, and proper end-use utilization.

All analysis of this compost product was conducted and provided by A&L Canada Laboratories Inc. for the Compost Quality Alliance (CQA).

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**\*PLEASE NOTE: Major Nutrients under the Fertilizer Act and Regulations (CFIA)**

Please see Appendix III for nutrient content (of impact to claims and labelling if used in declarations).

Compost is classified in Schedule II as a supplement, and as such nutrient guarantees are not mandatory. However, if any claims are made regarding nutritional value of the product, such as for composted manure, the product would then be classified as a supplement and a fertilizer, and the label would have to include the guarantees for the major nutrients. The guarantees for the major nutrients include the minimum amounts of Total Nitrogen (N), Available Phosphoric Acid (P2O5) and Soluble Potash K2O. Source: T-4-120 - Regulation of Compost under the Fertilizers Act and Regulations. <http://www.inspection.gc.ca/plants/fertilizers/trade-memoranda/t-4-120/eng/1307910204607/1307910352783>



**Appendix I**  
**Ontario Compost Guidelines 2012 & CFIA Fertilizer**  
**Act & Regulations**



**A. Maximum Concentrations for Trace Metals in Compost - Ontario†**

Trace Elements	Test Results (ug/g)	Category AA	Category A	Category B
		Maximum Concentration within Product (mg/kg dry weight)		
Arsenic (As)	6.06	13	13	75
Cadmium (Cd)	BDL*	3	3	20
Chromium (Cr)	15.95	210	210	1060
Cobalt (Co)	2.48	34	34	150
Copper (Cu)	47.13	100	400	760
Lead (Pb)	18.65	150	150	500
Mercury (Hg)	0.13	0.8	0.8	5
Molybdenum (Mo)	2.80	5	5	20
Nickel (Ni)	7.51	62	62	180
Selenium (Se)	BDL*	2	2	14
Zinc (Zn)	111.00	500	700	1850

**B. Foreign Matter in Compost - Ontario†**

Test Results		Category AA	Category A	Category B
<b>Foreign Matter</b>		Contains < 1% FM greater than 3mm and 0.5% plastics. Shall not contain any FM greater than 25mm/500mL		Contains < 2% FM greater than 3mm and 0.5% plastic. No FM > 25mm/500mL
Percent (%) FM > 3mm/500mL	0.22%			
Percent (%) Plastics > 3mm/500mL	0.22%			
Pieces 25mm/500mL	1			
<b>Sharp Foreign Matter</b>		No sharp matter that can cause human or animal injury		No more than 3 pieces of sharp matter no greater than 12.5mm/500mL
Pieces > 3mm/500mL	0			
Pieces > 12.5mm/500mL	0			

**C. Maturity/Stability - Ontario†**

Method	Test Results	Required Limits
CO <sub>2</sub> Respiration Rate CO <sub>2</sub> Respiration Rate	BDL*	≤ 4 mg of carbon in the form of carbon dioxide per gram of organic matter per day
O <sub>2</sub> Uptake Respiration Rate O <sub>2</sub> Uptake Respiration Rate		≤ 400 mg oxygen/kg of volatile solids (or organic matter)/hour

**D. Pathogens - Ontario†**

Pathogen	Test Results	Required Limits
E. coli (MPN/g dry)	<3	<1000 MPN/g total solids calculated on a dry weight basis
Salmonella (P-A/25g(ml))	NEGATIVE	<3 MPN/4g total solids calculated on a dry weight basis

†The following references are from the Ontario Compost Quality Standards Guidelines July 2012

\*BDL = Below Detectable Limits

**E. CFIA - Ontario**

Parameter	Test Results
Total Organic Matter (%)	36.89%
Moisture (%)	39.08%



## Appendix II Finished Compost Quality



Parameter	Test Results
pH	7.6
Carbon to Nitrogen Ratio	13:1
Particle Size/Texture (inch)+	1/4 Inch
Soluble Salts (ms/cm)	4.1
Sodium Base Saturation (%Na)	2.03%
<b>Major Nutrients</b>	
Available Potassium (%K)	26.45%
Available Magnesium (%Mg)	19.20%
Available Calcium (%Ca)	52.32%

+ Majority of sample passes through this sieve size

### Reference Compost Quality Parameters for CQA

Use	pH	C:N	Moisture	Particle Size	Soluble Salts	%Na
Remediation	5.8-8.5	10-40	NA	<2 in	<20	<3%
Soil Amendment	5.8-8.5	10-30	NA	<1/2 in	<6	<2%
Landscaping	5.8-8.5	12-22	<50%	<1/2 in	<5	<2%
Planting Media	5.5-7.8	12-22	<50%	<1/2 in	<4	<2%
Turf Establishment & Topdressing	5.5-7.8	12-22	<50%	<3/8 in	<3	<1%
Greenhouse Seeding	6-7	12-22	<25%	<1/4 in	<2	<0.5%
Greenhouse Establishment	6-7	12-22	<30%	<1/2 in	2-3.5	<0.5%
Field Nursery	5.8-8	10-30	<50%	<1/2 in	<3.5	<1%
Agricultural Soil Amendments	6-8	10-30	<50%	<1/2 in	<20	<1%
Potting Soil	5.5-7.2	12-22	<50%	<1/4 in	<2	<1%

Unrestricted Use: Category AA and Category A - Compost that can be used in any application, such as agricultural lands, residential gardens, horticultural operations, the nursery industry, and other businesses. Category A criteria for trace elements are achievable using best source separated MSW feedstock, municipal biosolids, pulp and paper mill biosolids, or manure.

Restricted Use: Category B - Compost that has a restricted use because of the presence of sharp foreign matter or higher trace element content. Category B compost may require additional control when deemed necessary by a province or territory.

Note: For a compost to meet the unrestricted use category, it must meet the unrestricted (Category A) requirements for all trace elements and sharp foreign matter. If the compost fails one criterion of the guideline for unrestricted use but meets the criteria for restricted (Category B) use, then it is classified as a Category B product. Products that do not meet the criteria for either Category A or B must be used or disposed of appropriately.



**Appendix III**  
Compost Agricultural Product Value  
as is basis



Agricultural End-Use	Analysis Result	Unit	Quantity in lbs/T
<b>Physical Parameters</b>			
Dry Matter	60.92%	%	
pH	7.6		
Bulk Density	563	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	
C:N Ratio	13:1		
<b>Fertilizer Equivalent Minerals</b>			
Nitrogen Total	1.76%	%	35.2
Ammonium Nitrogen	53.41	ppm	0.11
Total Phosphate (P as P2O5)	0.46%	%	9.2
Total Potash (K as K2O)	0.97%	%	19.4
Calcium	2.96%	%	59.2
Magnesium	0.68%	%	13.6
Sulfur	1383.80	ppm	2.8

The Compost Quality Assurance program goes beyond the provincial requirements to establish full value and appropriate end-use. The Compost Report and Compost End-use table in Appendix II, has 10 different compost application uses from soil remediation, through to potting soil blends. Of note are available soluble salt limits and the percent available sodium for sensitive plants. Appendix III, lists the primary agricultural use parameters and quantitative nutrient content that reflects this compost samples agricultural end-use, and application value. This value includes macro and micro nutrients, soil building properties such as the addition of organic matter, increasing moisture holding capacity, and the soils slow release nutrients. These parameters improve beneficial soil health components soil structure and stability.

The results of our testing on this sample indicates that this product is a fine textured, mature compost (83%+ 1 in.), with rich mineral properties, which would meet criteria for agricultural soil amendment, blending and topdressing end-uses purposes. The C:N ratio 13:1 from Appendix II, on the soil suitability report indicates a low C:N ratio and indicating good nitrogen availability. The low C:N ratio in conjunction with the higher total nitrogen content listed in Appendix III indicates early high available nitrogen levels, and should be considered for crop planning.

The proportion of available sodium (% Na), which if used in too heavy a proportion could cause some problems with sensitive species. The sodium levels of this compost sample though high, is suitable for agricultural broadcast field applications and are made to improve the organic matter level and major nutrients phosphorus, potassium and magnesium levels. The compost is also rich in available calcium, sulfur, and zinc, which make it ideal for soil enriching, and amendment. We recommend blending this material at a minimum of 2-3 parts soil blended to each part of this compost to dilute the sodium concentration.

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Sample Number	Lab Number	pH	Lime Index	Available Organic Matter %	Phosphorus P ppm	Potassium K ppm	Magnesium Mg ppm	Calcium Ca ppm
ROWD17	16150	7.6	6.9	33.2	629	5713	1293	5796

Sulfur S ppm	Zinc Zn ppm	Manganese Mn ppm	Iron Fe ppm	Copper Cu ppm	Boron B ppm	Sodium Na ppm	Nitrate-N NO3-N ppm	Soluble Salt ms/cm	Nitrogen (Total) (%)	Moisture %
140	27.9	32	202	3.1	7.0	259	183	4.1	1.76	

### INTERPRETATION

CEC		Percent Base Saturation				Proportional Equivalents (meq)				Cation Ratio		C/N Ratio
meq/100g	% BS	% K	% Mg	% Ca	% Na	K	Mg	Ca	Na	Mg/K	Ca/Mg	
55.4	100.0	26.45	19.20	52.32	2.03	14.65	10.63	28.98	1.13	1:1	3:1	
Optimum Range:		3 - 5	8 - 20	60 - 80		0.5 - 1.3				7:1	5:1	

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\* Results reported on a dry weight basis.

**The results of this report relate to the sample submitted and analyzed.**

\* Crop yield is influenced by a number of factors in addition to soil fertility.

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LAB NO.	SAMPLE ID	ANALYSIS	RESULT	UNIT	METHOD
16150	ROWD17	Nitrogen (Total)	1.8	%	TMECC.04.02-D



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PO#:  
LAB NUMBER: 3527011  
SAMPLE ID: ROW "D-17"

SAMPLE MATRIX: COMPOST  
DATE SAMPLED: 2017-12-13  
DATE RECEIVED: 2017-12-18  
DATE REPORTED: 2017-12-28  
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PARAMETER	Result	UNIT	DETECTION LIMIT	METHOD REFERENCE
Arsenic	6.06	ug/g	1.00	EPA 3050/6010 (mod) *
Cadmium	BDL*	ug/g	1.00	TMECC.04.06; EPA 3050/6010(mod)*
Cobalt	2.48	ug/g	1.00	TMECC.04.06; EPA 3050/6010(mod)
Chromium	15.95	ug/g	1.00	TMECC.04.06; EPA 3050/6010(mod)*
Copper	47.13	ug/g	1.00	TMECC.04.06; EPA 3050/6010(mod)
Mercury	0.13	ug/g	0.10	EPA 7471 *
Molybdenum	2.8	ug/g	1.0	TMECC.04.06; EPA 3050/6010(mod)*
Nickel	7.51	ug/g	1.00	TMECC.04.06; EPA 3050/6010(mod)
Lead	18.65	ug/g	1.00	TMECC.04.06; EPA 3050/6010(mod)
Selenium	BDL*	ug/g	1.00	EPA 3050/6010 (mod) *
Zinc	111.00	ug/g	1.00	TMECC.04.06; EPA 3050/6010(mod)

\* - accredited test

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PARAMETER	Result	UNIT	DETECTION LIMIT	METHOD REFERENCE
E. coli	<3	MPN/g dry	3	TMECC 07.01
Salmonella spp.	NEGATIVE	P-A/ 25.0g(ml)	1 CFU	MFLP-75 *
Total sharps > 2.8 mm*	0	pieces/500ml		TMECC 03.08
Total sharps > 12.5 mm	0	pieces/500ml		TMECC 03.08
Total FM > 2.8 mm*	0.22	%	0.01	TMECC 03.08
Total FM > 25 mm	1	pieces/500ml		TMECC 03.08
Total plastics > 2.8 mm*	0.22	%	0.01	TMECC 03.08
Total Organic Matter	36.88	%	0.01	LOI@550C
Moisture	39.08	%	0.10	TMECC.03.09-A
C : N Ratio	13 : 1			TMECC.05.02-A
Sieve 2 Inch (% Passing)	100.00	%	0.10	ASTMD422
Sieve 1 Inch (% Passing)	100.00	%	0.10	ASTMD422
Sieve 1/2 Inch (% Passing)	97.60	%	0.10	ASTMD422
Sieve 3/8 Inch (% Passing)	92.10	%	0.01	ASTMD422
Sieve 1/4 Inch (% Passing)	83.40	%	0.10	ASTMD422
Compost Stability Index	8	---		TMECC.05.08-B
Respiration-mgCO <sub>2</sub> -C/g OM/day	BDL*	mgCO <sub>2</sub> -C/ gOM/day	0.01	TMECC.05.08-B
Respiration - mgCO <sub>2</sub> -C/g TS/day	BDL*	mgCO <sub>2</sub> -C/ gTS/day	0.01	TMECC.05.08-B

Maturity Index: 8 - Inactive, highly matured compost, very well aged, possibly over-aged, like soil; no limitations for usage.

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PARAMETER	Result Dry Weight	Result As Received	UNIT	DETECTION LIMIT	METHOD REFERENCE
Total Solids (as received)		60.92	%	0.10	Gravimetric
<b>Nitrogen &amp; Carbon</b>					
Total Organic Carbon	22.13	22.13	%	0.10	Combustion
Ammonia (NH <sub>3</sub> /NH <sub>4</sub> -N)	87.67	53.41	ug/g	.01	Colourimetric
<b>Metals</b>					
Potassium	13170.00	8023.16	ug/g	5.00	TMECC.04.06
Total Potassium (as K <sub>2</sub> O)	1.59	0.97	%	0.05	ICP
Phosphorus	3256.50	1983.86	ug/g	5.00	TMECC.04.06 *
Total Phosphorus (as P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> )	0.75	0.46	%	0.05	ICP
Aluminum	3498.00	2130.98	ug/g	5.00	TMECC.04.06 *
Boron	38.11	23.22	ug/g	1.00	TMECC.04.06
Calcium	4.86	2.96	%	0.01	TMECC.04.06
Iron	7630.00	4648.20	ug/g	5.00	TMECC.04.06 *
Magnesium	1.12	0.68	%	0.01	TMECC.04.06
Manganese	183.60	111.85	ug/g	1.00	TMECC.04.06
Sodium	0.08	0.05	%	0.01	TMECC.04.05 *
Sulphur	2271.50	1383.80	ug/g	5.00	TMECC.04.06 *
<b>Additional Parameters</b>					
Bulk Density (as Recieved)		563	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	10	Gravimetric
Conductivity (@ 25 deg C)		3.45	ms/cm	0.02	Conductivity Meter

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