

Resolution 5C

USE OF BIOSOLIDS (DEFEATED)

⇒ District of Yarmouth

WHEREAS the use of treated sewage sludge (biosolids) is currently being utilized by some farmers on their forage fields in Nova Scotia; and

WHEREAS there is increased pressure to implement a program for the use of human waste as fertilizer; and

WHEREAS it cannot be proven that sewage waste is completely free of industrial, commercial and hospital contaminants or pathogens and therefore using the product as a soil additive or fertilizer on agricultural soils may endanger public health and safety;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities petition the Provincial Government to support the ban of the use of biosolids on Nova Scotia agricultural land; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that it be made mandatory for any farmer outside of the Province using biosolid fertilizer to indicate same on the packaging of such goods sold in the Province of Nova Scotia.