

# TELUS Smart Waste Systems

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## Agenda

- 1. 9:30am 10:30am: Presentation
  - a. Intuitive Al's Oscar Sort
  - b. Smart Waste Sensors
- 2. 10:30am 11:25am: Site tour
- 3. 11:25am: Retrieve personal items
- 4. 11:30am 12:30pm: Lunch and networking in collaborative space



We believe that together, TELUS can create a more sustainable future for people and our planet.

We are committed to managing environmental risks and creating social and environmental value.



Let's empower

Canadians with

connectivity



Let's help

everyone live

healthier lives



Let's care for

our planet's

future





Let's give



Let's build a better and more sustainable global food system

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# Leading in sustainability



Enhance operational excellence and leadership

- Environmental risk and compliance management
- Energy and GHG management
- Sustainability governance



Expand sustainability integration and advocacy

- Supply chain sustainability
- Circular economy
- Internal support

Grow our business and strengthen our brand

- Disclosure, communications and marketing
- Sponsorships and partnerships
- TELUS Environmental Solutions







## Our environmental commitments



Environmental Policy





## Waste

### Zero waste vision



# Sustainable Paper & Packaging Policy

- Responsible procurement
  - Maximize use of recycled and renewable materials from well-managed sources
- Responsible use
  - Eliminate over-packaging
- Increase recovery and recyclability
  - Design to be easy to take apart
- Responsible design
  - Minimize use of materials



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## Key Challenges

- Meeting the 5% reduction in total waste discarded target
  - Low diversion rates at TELUS offices
- Full bin assumption by waste hauler
- Weight density application is inconsistent
- Missing waste data
- Bin contamination



## Intuitive AI: Oscar Sort







## How Oscar Sort Works

- ✓ TELUS team member walks up to the sensor and shows it the item it would like to dispose of.
- ✓ The sensor uses images and sounds to nudge the team member to the correct bin.
- ✓ The sensor measures the disposal accuracy, total disposals, top contaminants (%), and bin contamination.
- ✓ Data analysis provides the user with actionable insights.
- ✓ Can create site specific comms to target correct disposal of top contaminants.
- ✓ Create competition between offices.



## Oscar Sort Timelines

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# Our February Performance



**57.6%** 12.7% ↑ from January \*Disposal accuracy



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#### **571** 16.5% ↑ from January Total Disposals



# Our February Performance

Our top contaminants by percentage

Material	% Incorrectly Disposed	# Incorrectly Disposed
Coffee cup	43.1%	<ul><li>25 incorrectly disposed</li><li>58 total disposed</li></ul>
Coffee cup lid	51.1%	<ul><li>23 incorrectly disposed</li><li>45 total disposed</li></ul>
Napkin	50.4%	71 incorrectly disposed 141 total disposed



# Our February Performance

Contamination by bin

Bin	% of Contamination	Top 3 Contaminants
Compost	26.7%	Plastic cutlery, coffee cup, wrapper
Glass, Metal, Plastic	50%	Napkin, plastic bottle, coffee cup
Mixed Paper	73.4%	Napkin, coffee cup, food box
Mixed Recycling	44.6%	Black coffee cup lid, napkin, coffee cup

## Next Steps

#### Monitor Experience



#### Personalized Screens



#### Analyze Data



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## Smart Waste Sensors = Significant Opportunities



Current waste collection methods contribute up to a **higher level of CO**<sub>2</sub> emissions...



Pickups that are too early or late result in higher collection costs.

~50% of waste is picked up at the wrong time.



## A Data Driven Urban Future

You can't manage what you don't measure

Data-driven solutions are central to making waste operations more efficient and effective.



What If We Made Cities & Campuses and Organizations Smarter?

**Increase operational efficiencies** of labor & resources helping cities, campuses & organizations save money

Reduce collections & meet CO2 reduction targets with substantially fewer trucks on the streets.

Reduce overflowing bins and citizen complaints & contamination

To optimize urban planning initiatives & support recycling measures





### How the Sensor Works

- ✔ A fill-level sensor is placed in a garbage or recycling bin.
- $\checkmark$  The sensor transmits hourly data to the cloud.
- ✓ The sensor measures fill levels (& other data points) sends alerts for pick up at predetermined levels.
- ✓ Data analysis provides the user with actionable insights.
- ✓ Mobile route optimization is another significant benefit.
- ✓ Batteries will last to 3-5 years+.



## **TELUS Smart Waste Sensors**

Monitor bin fill levels with real time images

Detect Contamination with Al powered software

Support quantification of waste composition







## Industries Transformed





Municipal Waste & Recycling Bins (Indoor/Outdoor)

Airports, Zoos, Parks, Aquariums, Public Transit



Colleges & Universities



Waste Haulers



Environmental, Oil & Gas



Private & Public Sector Recycling (clothing, batteries, organics)



Private Sector Enterprise, Retail



Healthcare / Hospitals (Medical Waste)



### Edmonton Downtown Business Assoc. I Street Bins

EDBA use case includes 10X bins with a focus on the data. They want to understand the impact of the new bins and establish a baseline for moving forward with sensors for ALL public space bins (waste & recycling).

City of Edmonton is also evaluating progress. They will be providing commercial pickups for the entire city of Edmonton in 2024.

- Optimize Operational Costs
- Reduce Infrastructure Costs
- Reduced Environmental Impact
- Acquire Deep Insights and Analytics













### **Toronto Zoo I Public Space Bins**

Toronto Zoo study includes 18 bins with a focus on collecting data across different zones.

They want to understand fill rates with the goal to reduce pickups as well as using the data to better understand foot traffic across

#### zones.

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## City of Windsor I Equinox Bins



In this case, the bin manufacturer (Equinox) was engaged to establish a successful install on a single bin before executing the pilot project.

The bins are ~8 underground with no way to know when they are ready for pickup.

The successful pilot will optimize collection schedules which will support a reduction of operational costs.



#### Sustainability KPIs for a Safer, Cleaner and Efficient Mobility





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#### Enhancing Data Insights with Asset Tracking and Monitoring Tools



