

ABOUT STEEL PACIFIC RECYCLING

Steel Pacific Recycling is the fair and ethical leader in the metal recycling industry. As recycling pioneers, we've been helping customers and communities conserve energy, offset carbon, protect the environment and preserve precious natural resources since 1957. Steel Pacific's recycling operations are the biggest and most progressive on Vancouver Island, and include efficient, high-value materials recovery and waste management, as well as environmentally friendly demolition and site remediation.

Keep it in play

We conserve energy and natural resources while reducing waste. We take old cars, refrigerators, wood, stoves, batteries, pop cans, bicycles, buildings, bridges, paper, farm equipment, plastic containers, ships, airplanes, cardboard, barges – and repurpose them for the good of the earth.

Re-using existing resources instead of mining new ones is the right thing to do. This is what we mean by 'keep it in play'.

Our services

We provide recycling and demolition services to a wide range of customers, including: consumers, pulp mills and sawmills, utility companies, machine shops, all levels of government and other recycling companies.

Our core business involves collecting and recycling metal-based consumer products, metal offcuts from factories and demolition materials. In addition to our extensive ferrous and non-ferrous operations, we also process plastics, paper, cardboard, glass, drywall, wood and other materials. We specialize in demolishing buildings and deconstructing worksites and facilities using procedures that maximize materials recovery. We also sell new and recycled steel at our two outdoor department stores.

In all, we accept over 200 kinds of items at our five recycling depots located from Campbell River to Victoria. Our processing equipment is state-of-the-art, and includes the only shredder on Vancouver Island – one of only 20 shredders in the entire country. Using 10 hammers, each weighing more than 300 lbs., this multi-million dollar machine can turn an automobile into fist-sized pieces of scrap in less than a minute.

Our other recycling services include:

- Setting up recycling programs
- Providing recycling equipment and containers (including roll-off bins)
- Operating recycling depots and transfer stations
- Hauling and large-item pick up

Our approach

As the industry leader in responsible recycling, we take our jobs as environmental stewards extremely seriously.

We work diligently to help you—our customers and communities – leave as small an environmental footprint as possible by:

- Taking great care in how we handle and process your recyclable materials
- Recycling as much of your waste as we can, by using innovative technology to separate out all the elements that can be recycled, and by working hard to find the right markets and buyers for these materials
- Generally keeping as much material out of the landfill as possible

We are also constantly monitoring and upgrading our water and soil treatment systems at all of our recycling depots to make sure we meet all regulatory obligations. These upgrades are vital to ensure we are not causing any harm to the immediate and surrounding environment at our transfer stations and processing depots.

We are actively working with government, communities and the private sector to reposition our industry away from 'scrap' and toward the highest standard that green companies can

achieve. We are well positioned to lead this charge. We're the fair and ethical leader in the metal recycling industry and the new face of the 'scrap' business. We bring a high level of investment, innovation and integrity to the industry. We also bring a long-standing and deep commitment to environmental responsibility.

We're also committed to working with businesses, governments, communities and individuals to achieve the goal of "zero waste." Zero waste is both a philosophy and a design principle. It aims to maximize recycling, minimize waste, reduce consumption and ensure that products are designed to be re-used, repaired or recycled back into nature or the marketplace.

Our impact

Steel Pacific is now the largest, most progressive handler of recyclable materials on Vancouver Island, and the third largest handler of waste behind the Capital Regional District (Hartland) and the Regional District of Nanaimo. We recover and recycle metal and other materials from consumers, industry and demolition jobs. We continually invest in innovative technology to increase our recovery efficiency and minimize our environmental impact.

How much of a difference do we make? Well, if the materials we currently handle went into the landfills on Vancouver Island, they would each have to process about 50% more waste (by weight) than they currently do. And that means our landfills would fill up a lot faster.

To put it another way – every year we handle the equivalent of over 400 lbs. of material for every man, woman and child on Vancouver Island.

And here are some additional interesting statistics. Each year we recycle enough steel to fill up the BC Place Stadium, enough aluminum to build over 450 new Twin Otter airplanes (without motors) and enough cars to frame almost 4,000 new 2,000 sq.ft. homes using metal studs.

Our history

In 2005, Harper's Recycling purchased Budget Steel to create a new company: Steel Pacific Recycling. Steel Pacific is a full-service recycling and asset recovery company with 5 locations on the island and close to 130 full-time employees. Our consolidated company has brought together the best of both original companies' services to communities across Vancouver Island.

Harper's Recycling was a family owned and operated business for 3 generations. It traces its roots to 1957, when the company's founder, Glen Harper, began collecting and disposing of scrap metals on the construction site of the Crofton mill. Budget Steel was established in 1981 and specialized in the collection and processing of scrap steel and iron, as well as nonferrous metals such as copper, aluminum, stainless steel, brass and lead.

Our management team

BARRY WATERS | President

Barry Waters has been working in the metal recycling and waste management industry for 30 years. He started out working with Harper's Recycling in 1977, at the age of 16. Over the years, Barry worked his way up through the company to his present position as President. His foresight and unique approach to business development has been the driving force behind Harper's – and now Steel Pacific's – success. He is a strong supporter of youth sports on Vancouver Island.

Barry is a life-long resident of the Cowichan Valley, where he lives with his wife Cathy. They have two grown sons.

ANDREW KETCH | Executive Director

Andrew is an entrepreneur and inventor, with an extensive background in business development and marketing. Prior to joining Steel Pacific in 2004, he traveled around the world for 10 years as a manufacturing consultant specializing in Trenchless Technology. Andrew is passionate about helping employees maximize their potential and growing successful businesses.

Andrew was born and raised in the Cowichan Valley, where he now lives with his wife Elise and two small children.

ERIC ERIKSON | General Manager

Eric is a Chartered Accountant with over 20 years of progressive business experience in finance, production, manufacturing, distribution and warehousing. Before joining Steel Pacific in 2007, he was the CEO of Island Farms Dairies – a position he worked his way up to after being hired in 1993 as a Controller. Having grown up on a farm in the interior of BC, Eric understands the value of hard work and appreciates the pride and dedication shown by Steel Pacific employees.

Eric and his wife Barbara live in Victoria, BC. They have three teenage sons.

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