

ENVIRONMENT: Markham escapes site selection

Stouffville on waste hit list

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A preliminary list of 35 waste transfer facilities pinpoints a number of possible sites in Stouffville between Bloomington and Stouffville sideroads.

Another two sites pinpoint Davis Drive and Hwy. 404 in Newmarket.

There are no sites listed for the Markham area.

Twenty-two sites, however, are located in the Vaughan area and that has politicians there fuming.

Vaughan Councillor Mario Ferri said he hopes that news is a joke.

"This has got to be a bad joke; I'm working on the premise that this is a bad joke," Ferri said.

The preliminary list of sites was presented last week to a regional committee looking into establishing a waste management and transfer facility to serve residents once the Maple dump closes in 2002.

The amount of waste produced in the region is expected to double, from its current 213,000 tonnes per year, in the next 25 years.

Ferri said he is extremely concerned the siting criteria used by the consultants did not include fairness, equity or a willing host.

"Have these people not learned these two issues must be recognized and

adhered to in any siting process for waste management facilities," he said. "We argued long and hard during the Interim Waste Authority's (IWA) site search process that these two principles must be included and respected."

Bill Balfour, of Gartner Lee, said, "It's pretty early to be going on the warpath. These are candidate sites; this is very, very first cut."

However, Balfour pointed out the proposed sites are not for landfill and that should come as good news. He added that there will be composting, diversion and transfer facilities as part of the site.

Balfour said the candidate sites had to meet strict criteria and were assembled by regional planning staff. The properties had to be zoned for general industrial use, be larger than 25 acres, be in close proximity to a 400 series highway and not have any obvious land use incompatibilities with neighboring properties.

The Vaughan properties are clustered around Hwys. 427 and 400, Davis Drive and Hwy. 404 and Hwy. 404 and Bethesda and Stouffville sideroads.

"That falls out of the (regional) Official Plan," Balfour said. "We're calling it a parallel siting search. This will be a private sector undertaking at the end of the day."



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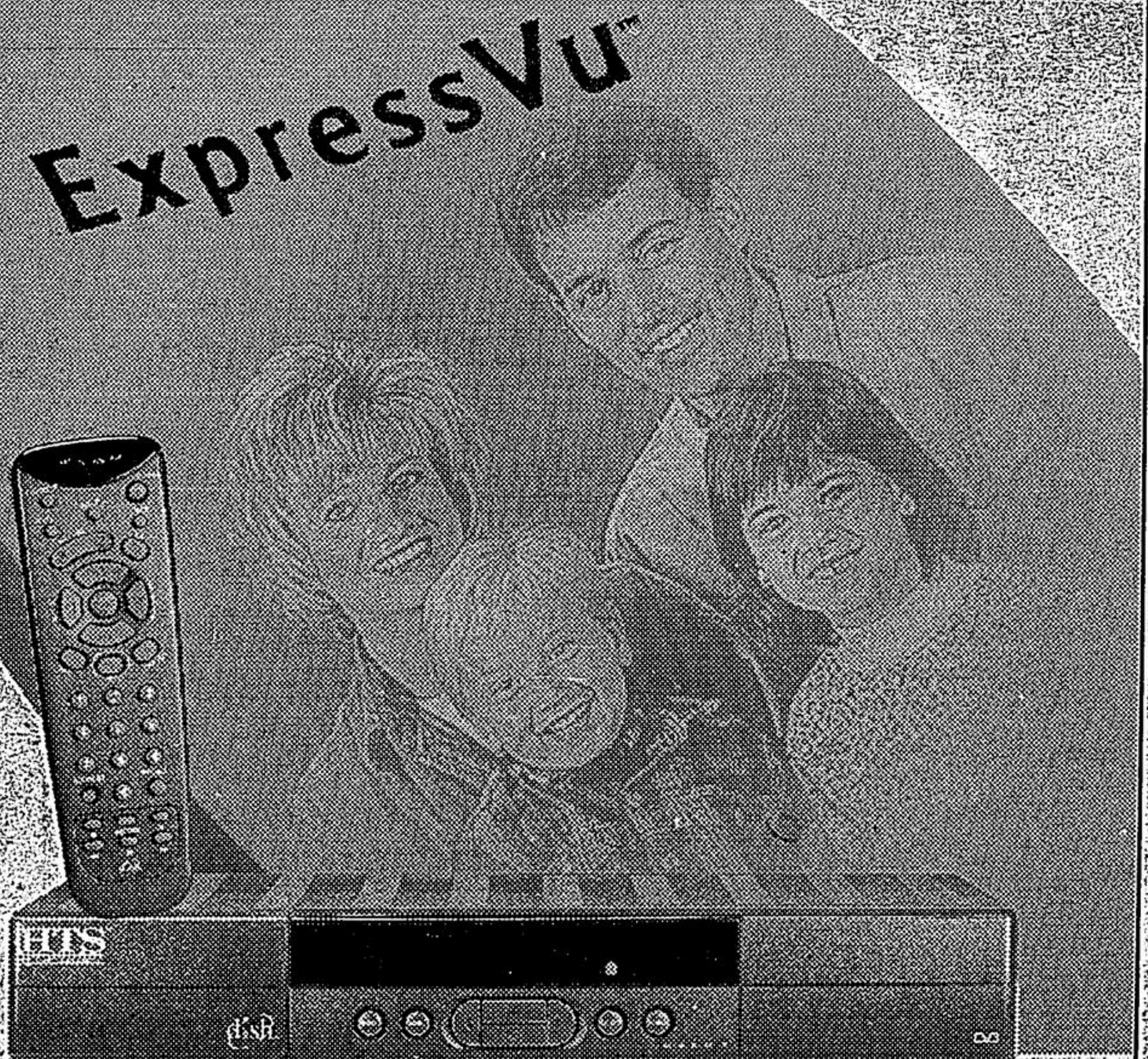
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