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Canada Post Delays Delivery of Voter Information Card

TORONTO, May 30, 2018 – Elections Ontario is advising electors of a delay on the part of Canada Post in the delivery of some voter information cards.

Registered electors were expected to receive voter information cards no later than May 25, in time for advance voting, which began on May 26. It has come to our attention that a number of electors have not received their voter information cards within the scheduled timeframe.

Ontarians rely on voter information cards to tell them where, when, and how to vote. Elections Ontario would like to reassure those who have not yet received their voter information card that they can still cast their ballot by bringing one piece of identification that shows both their name and current residential address. For voting locations in your electoral district, please visit <u>www.elections.on.ca</u>.

Canadian citizens who reside in Ontario and are at least 18 years of age on election day are eligible to vote. Ontario electors can find a list of acceptable identification documents, along with information about when and where to vote, at <u>www.elections.on.ca</u>.

Quotes

"We rely on our partnership with Canada Post to deliver essential voter information on time. We are clearly disappointed that we have not received the level of service that we have come to expect from our long-standing partner. I want to assure electors, however, that this does not prevent them from voting when they bring proper identification with them to the polls."

-Greg Essensa, Ontario's Chief Electoral Officer

Quick Facts

- Elections Ontario provided voter information cards to Canada Post starting May 15 to May 22. Voter information cards are designed to meet Canada Post specifications.
- Canada Post has a two-day service delivery standard.
- Electors can still vote by bringing one piece of identification that shows their name and current residential address.
- Electors can vote by special ballot at a returning office or through home visit until 6:00 P.M. (Eastern Time) on June 6, 2018.
- Election day is June 7, 2018. Polls will be open from 9:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. (Eastern Time).

Links

- <u>Canada Post Media Relations</u>
- Elections Ontario Voter Information Service

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