Street Furniture Providers of Transit Shelters in the City of Toronto Map

In 2007, the City of Toronto signed a 20-year agreement with Astral Out-of-Home, a Canadian media conglomerate, to install and maintain the transit shelters of the Toronto Transit Commission (City of Toronto, 2021). The map shows the different manufacturers from which Astral Out-of-Home sources their street furniture elements such as transit shelters, information pillars and benches. Most of the street furniture elements are provided by Provincial Sign Systems and Enseicom Inc.

The dataset lists 5787 transit shelters assigned as unique elements and contains the following features: address number, street address, fronting street, side, from street, direction, ward, BIA (I'm unsure of what this stands for), asset type (I'm unsure of what this means too), existing/removed status, style (name of the manufacturer), poster board, longitude and latitude. Using ArcGIS Desktop, I created a map of the dataset that displays all the manufacturers of the City of Toronto's transit shelters. It has a scale of 1 cm:1.864 km map to ground measurement. Creating this map will help Astral Media to 1) contact the manufacturers, and 2) easily locate and replace old and/or damaged transit shelters. A personal reason as to why I chose this dataset is that I'm a frequent transit user and I'm curious about who manufactured the transit shelters that I use everyday.

Reference: City of Toronto. (2021, February). Street Furniture - Transit Shelter. Retrieved February 02, 2021, from https://open.toronto.ca/dataset/street-furniture-transit-shelter/

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