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#### TO THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF THE CLERK AND COUNCIL

November 5, 2012

#### **Ontario Releases First Ever Immigration Strategy**

On November 5, 2012, Minister Charles Sousa, Minister of Citizenship and Immigration (MCI), released Ontario's first ever Immigration Strategy. The main objectives of the strategy include: attracting a skilled workforce and building a stronger economy; helping newcomers and their families achieve success; and leveraging the global connections of our diverse communities. The Strategy will have no direct fiscal impact to the Province or municipalities and MCI has committed to working with municipalities and employers to promote the value of immigration and diversity when implementing the Strategy.

The Strategy was developed based on four elements:

- The Expert Roundtable on Immigration In the spring of 2012, Minister Sousa invited a number of leading experts to examine Ontario's immigration issues. The Roundtable made 32 recommendations in its report, "Expanding Our Routes to Success". AMO's representative at this table was Warden Steve Arnold from Lambton County.
- Stakeholder Consultations MCI's Parliamentary Assistant Teresa Piruzza, MPP Windsor West, led six stakeholder consultations and received written submissions. Consultations were also held with municipal partners to ensure the Strategy reflects the needs of Ontario communities.
- Labour Market Forecasting MCI analyzed data showing where new jobs will be, the skills Ontario will need and the level of immigration required to support economic prosperity.
- Collaboration Across Government MCI collaborated and consulted with the Ministries of Finance, Training, Colleges and Universities and Economic Development and Innovation to help identify the role of immigration in meeting Ontario's labour market needs.

Ontario's Immigration Strategy is intended to set a new direction for how we select, welcome and help immigrants to our province. The Strategy includes several targets that encourage municipalities, stakeholders and employers to attract and retain skilled immigrants who can make valuable

contributions to local economies. Among those targets include:

- Raising the proportion of economic immigrants to 70 per cent from the current level of 52 per cent.
- Request a doubling of Ontario's Provincial Nominee Program limit to 2,000 in 2013, increasing to 5,000 in 2014.
- Achieve employment rates and income levels for immigrants that are in line with those of other Ontarians.
- Maximize the potential and use of temporary foreign workers and international students.
- Provide more resources for employers to recruit and welcome immigrant employees.
- Achieve five per cent Francophone immigration.
- Create a Minister's Forum to drive a "no wrong door" approach to accessing immigrant services.
- · Commit to annual reports on progress and achievement.
- Establish a Minister's Table with employers to consult businesses on immigration matters.

AMO is supportive of defining priorities for immigration that support economic prosperity and labour market growth in Ontario. AMO will continue to advocate that the Province include municipalities in the policy decision-making process when discussions occur at the Provincial and Federal levels of government to move the Strategy forward.

AMO will continue to engage the Province on Ontario's priorities on immigration through the Municipal Immigration Committee (MIC) – a tripartite table in which MCI, the Federal Government and municipalities share information and best practices.

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November 8, 2012

Memorandum To: Mayor and Members of Council

Attention:

Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk-Treasurer

From:

Brian Crane, Chief Negotiator for Ontario

SUBJECT: Algonquin Land Claim Information Meetings

The Ontario negotiation team has now completed the most recent round of Ontario's information meetings held with local municipal representatives, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many council members and staff who have participated in these sessions. Our team members have commented on the positive and professional approach taken by those who participated in meetings.

From Ontario's perspective, these meetings have been extremely helpful. We appreciate the time you have taken to attend as many as three meetings that we convened in recent months with our team members and officials from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing. The initial technical information you have provided as a result of these meetings has been of great benefit in adding to Ontario's base of knowledge regarding Crown lands that have been identified for potential future transfer to Algonquin ownership.

Combined with extensive analysis of the data retained by the Ministry of Natural Resources and other affected ministries, these meetings have added an important dimension to Ontario's due diligence regarding these lands and will serve as a good foundation for the more detailed discussions we intend to have with municipalities once an Agreement-in-Principle is ratified.

As most of you know, this most recent round of consultations led by Ontario builds on a long-standing commitment made by Ontario to work with the municipal level of government in finding reasonable solutions to this complex Aboriginal rights claim. As early as 1996, when the Municipal Advisory Committee was first established, our approach has been to provide information to the municipal sector and seek informed advice regarding matters regarding municipal jurisdiction and interests. This work advanced with the development of the Municipal Advisory Committee Focus Group in 2010. That has proven to be a very useful forum for us to engage in direct dialogue and gain useful insights and practical advice regarding municipal interests in eastern Ontario.



The Ontario negotiation team has also benefited from the information meetings they have led with local municipal council representatives beginning back in 2002 and continuing in 2006 and 2010 to lead up to the three rounds of meetings we have conducted in 2012.

Like you, we look forward to being able to take the next step and share information more broadly with the general public.

The next milestone we hope to achieve will be a draft Agreement-in-Principle (AIP). The negotiators expect to be able to make this available for public review before the end of this year. Providing this extent of information to the public this early in the negotiation process will set a precedent in Canada. It will be one more example of the unique approach we've taken in recognition of the many existing interests that need to be considered as part of these negotiations.

As our negotiation team members have explained, once the draft AIP is initialed by the negotiators, it will then be taken to the Algonquin membership for a ratification vote. Assuming the vote succeeds and we get the necessary approvals to proceed from the provincial and federal governments, we will then engage in further negotiations toward a Final Agreement. We expect that process to take another three to five years.

During that time, we plan to return to your councils for more detailed consultations about local land selections. I expect Algonquin representatives will play an active role in those discussions, and the Ontario negotiation team looks forward to helping you build positive relationships with the Algonquins of Ontario as future land owners in your region.

This has been a long process and there is still a lot of work ahead of us. We certainly hope that your ongoing guidance will help us reach the ultimate destination of a settlement with the Algonquins that will mark new gains for the entire region.

In the meantime, we encourage you to advise your constituents to deal directly with the Ontario negotiation team regarding any questions or comments they may have. We can be contacted through the Ontario Information Centre on the Algonquin Land Claim in Pembroke at 613-732-8081 or toll free 1-855-690-7070. Information is also updated and available on the Ontario Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs website at <a href="https://www.ontario.ca/landclaims">www.ontario.ca/landclaims</a>.

Again, thank you for your ongoing commitment and cooperation.

2012 October 25

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Dear Ms. Somenberg

A Community Wish List: to open our hearts that no child, teen, adult or senior in our community will miss the joyous celebration of Christmas

Our North Renfrew community has come together for the past 20 years for the "Community Christmas Basket Program". Some members of our community are not fortunate enough to have all the means associated with Christmas. Financially disadvantaged families and individuals are provided with gift certificates for Christmas dinner and small gifts and toys for their children. Over the years this has developed into a fair, time effective and cost comprehensive program. Many family members have expressed their overwhelming gratitude for this special Christmas gift. Last year we served over 335 individuals (125 families which included 95 children and 240 adults/seniors).

Beta Sigma Phi Sorority will again organize this event on behalf of our community. If you have any new ideas, special contributions, or questions, please contact the numbers below.

The success of the Christmas Basket Program for 2012 will once more flourish with the generosity of groups and individuals in our community. Financial contributions will be gratefully received on or before December 14, 2012.

Please contact the Fire Hall in Deep River if you have toys you wish to donate. We are unable to accept stuffed toys due to environmental sensitivities.

Cheques should be made payable to North Renfrew Family Services (Christmas Basket), Box 1334, Deep River, ON KOJ 1PO. Tax receipts are issued for all donations. Cash may be taken to the NRFS office in the Medical Building, 109 Banting Drive.

If you require further information, please contact me at 613-584-2897, or North Renfrew Family Services at 613-584-3358.

Yours sincerely,

Lucille Levinski, Chair

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# Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food



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Ms. Melinda Reith Municipal Clerk and Chief Administrative Officer The Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria 15 Township Hall Road Stonecliffe, Ontario K0J 2K0 Quote: 180717

Dear Ms. Reith:

I am writing in response to your letter to the Right Honourable Stephen Harper supporting Renfrew County National Farmers Union's recommendation to implement disaster relief programming for crop and livestock producers affected by drought in 2012. I appreciate being made aware of your council's position.

I understand that producers in parts of Ontario have been affected by drought conditions this year. Recent rains have improved the late season pasture situation in some areas, and updated reports have indicated that some of the crops are yielding better than anticipated. Even so, there are producers who are experiencing challenges as a result of the drought conditions.

As you are aware, the Province of Ontario has requested an assessment under the AgriRecovery framework of the effects of drought on livestock producers in parts of Ontario (including Renfrew County). AgriRecovery is not a program; rather, it is a framework that allows governments to respond to disaster events with targeted assistance when needed to help producers with the costs of recovery. The assessment process determines whether assistance to help producers recover from a disaster is needed beyond what is available under existing programs. All initiatives developed under AgriRecovery are intended to complement and not replace assistance available through other programs. Federal and provincial officials are currently working together to complete the assessment as quickly as possible.

I would note that significant assistance to help producers is currently available through the existing federal, provincial, and territorial suite of business risk management programs. The suite includes the Agrilnsurance, AgriStability, and AgriInvest programs, which are specifically designed to help producers deal with the effects of extreme weather events like drought. These programs work together to provide an effective response to disaster circumstances, and payments have already begun to flow to eligible producers in affected regions of Ontario. More information is available online at <a href="https://www.agr.gc.ca/brm">www.agr.gc.ca/brm</a>.

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Furthermore, I announced on August 27, 2012, that producers in 19 regions in Ontario, including Renfrew County, are eligible for the federal Livestock Tax Deferral Provision. Under this program, owners of breeding livestock in designated areas who are forced to sell all or part of their breeding herd due to drought conditions are eligible for a one-year tax deferral on part of the income from those sales.

In addition, producers have access to the Advance Payments Program. Under this program, producers can access cash advances for up to \$400 000, of which the first \$100 000 is interest-free. The advance is calculated based on up to 50 per cent of the expected value of the producer's eligible agricultural products and has to be repaid as products are sold. Additional information can be found at <a href="https://www.agr.gc.ca/app">www.agr.gc.ca/app</a>.

Ontario farm organizations are also now working with their counterparts in other parts of the country on the Hay East initiative to alleviate some of the feed shortages in drought-affected regions of Ontario. These organizations are well positioned to identify what producers need and ensure that resources are focused and targeted to the hardest-hit regions. Federal officials are currently working with Hay East organizers to explore what role governments might play in helping to make this industry initiative a success.

Please be assured that governments are working hard to address the needs of producers in the drought-affected regions of Ontario, including Renfrew County. There is a significant amount of assistance currently available to producers to help them with the impacts of drought, and we are also working with industry to determine what more may need to be done to help producers in affected areas.

I trust that this information is of assistance to you. Thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

Gerry Ritz, PC, MP



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October 30, 2012

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To: Chief Administrative Officers

I am writing to advise you of amendments to the Local Improvement Charges Regulations, recently filed as Ontario Regulation 322/12, which amends the Local Improvement Charges regulation made under Municipal Act, 2001, and Ontario Regulation 323/12, which amends the Local Improvement Charges regulation made under the City of Toronto Act, 2006.

The amendments maintain the existing local improvement authority and now allow a municipality to enter into agreements with willing property owners for the municipality to undertake local improvements on private property and recover the cost of the work from the property owners. These changes will help encourage innovative approaches to energy efficiency and water conservation programs at the local level.

The regulations have been divided into four main parts. Part I deals with definitions and general provisions that are common to Part II and Part III. The traditional frontage-based local improvement charges process, which has not been changed in any substantive way, is contained in Part II. Part III of the regulations is new and provides the new authority for municipalities to undertake local improvements on private property by agreement. Part IV deals with transitional provisions.

Consultations with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the City of Toronto, Municipal Finance Officers' Association (MFOA), Ontario Municipal Taxation and Revenue Association (OMTRA, formerly AMTCO), and the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) facilitated this process.

For your reference, an electronic version of Ontario Regulation 322/12 can be found at: <a href="http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/source/regs/english/2012/elaws\_src\_regs\_r12322\_e.htm">http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/source/regs/english/2012/elaws\_src\_regs\_r12322\_e.htm</a> laws.gov.on.ca/html/source/regs/english/2012/elaws\_src\_regs\_r12323\_e.htm.

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Yours truly,

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Assistant Deputy Minister

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Subject: Important information on property values and wind energy

Oct. 29, 2012

#### Dear Municipal Official;

Wind energy is on pace to grow by 20 per cent in Canada by the end of 2012, with the addition of more than 1,200 MW of new, clean and affordable electricity. As Canada's leader in wind energy, Ontario currently has 2,000 MW of installed wind capacity: or enough to power about 600,000 average homes each year.

We recognize that many Ontarians have questions about wind energy development in the province and in their community. One of the questions that may come to you as a local official is the very important issue of property values. As a responsible industry we continue to meet with provincial authorities, review all new and credible studies on the subject, and can assure you the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) is not altering property assessments in Ontario as a result of wind energy projects.

In a recent Assessment Review Board hearing in Ontario focused on wind turbines and property values, MPAC argued that there was no evidence to show that construction and operation of wind turbines had reduced the current value of the landowner's property.

As well, a comprehensive analysis by the US Department of Energy's Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory found that proximity to wind energy facilities does not have a pervasive or widespread adverse effect on the value of nearby homes. Researchers examined 7,500 single-family property sales between 1996 and 2007, covering a time span from before the wind farms were announced to well after construction and operation.

More information on property values can be found here: <a href="https://www.canwea.ca/talkingaboutwind">www.canwea.ca/talkingaboutwind</a>

CanWEA is the national association for the wind energy industry in Canada. Our almost 400 members represent wind energy project developers, operators and owners, wind turbine manufacturers and component suppliers and a broad range of service providers to the industry. Ontario has numerous success stories across the province where wind energy projects have stimulated new

investment and job creation while also providing significant economic benefits to rural communities.

I encourage you to engage with us directly should you have questions about wind energy development or to put you in touch with a peer who has experience with wind energy in Ontario or another province. Our Ontario Regional Director Brandy Giannetta can be reached by phone at 1.800.922.6932 x. 235 or via email at <a href="mailto:brandygiannetta@canwea.ca">brandygiannetta@canwea.ca</a>.

Robert Hornung,
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#### TO THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF THE CLERK AND COUNCIL

October 24, 2012

The Commission for the Review of Social Assistance in Ontario
Releases Its Report "Brighter Prospects: Transforming Social Assistance in Ontario"

Today, the Commission for the Review of Social Assistance in Ontario released their much anticipated report, "Brighter Prospects: Transforming Social Assistance in Ontario." The report, spanning 183 pages, contains 108 recommendations for improvements in areas where the Commissioners, Frances Lankin and Munir A. Sheikh, believe that the government has an opportunity to chart a new path for social assistance delivery in Ontario. In the words of the Commission, the report outlines a "course designed to support all recipients to participate in the workforce to the maximum of their abilities and to guarantee income security for those who cannot work."

Implementing the recommendations outlined in the report will impact municipalities many ways given that municipalities are the primary deliverer agents for existing provincially mandated social assistance programs. The most significant change is the Commissioners' proposal to the government to integrate Ontario Works (OW) service delivery, administered by municipalities, and the Ontario Disability and Support Program (ODSP), currently managed as a provincially delivered program. Further, the Commission is recommending that municipalities and First Nations play a greater role in managing and planning employment services in their communities, with more municipalities designated as Employment Ontario deliverers.

Underlying these recommendations is the Commissioners' view that better integrated and coordinated service delivery at the local level will improve outcomes and reduce costs. Under the new arrangement, municipalities and First Nations would assume new responsibilities for the delivery of both programs and become full partners with the Province in managing and planning employment services in their communities. In the opinion of the Commissioners, program administration at the local level makes sense as municipalities and First Nations have a better on-the-ground understanding of their communities including the labour market. The report asserts that municipal management would serve to leverage connections to local employers for social assistance recipients and improve their access to other social and human services including housing and child care.

The Commission's recommendations, if largely accepted and implemented by the government as a package rather than as a menu of options, has the potential to significantly transform social assistance delivery in Ontario. The Commissioners acknowledge that the transformative changes that they are proposing are complex and longer term in nature. These would require legislative change by the Province.

As a first step, the report identifies a number of 'early implementation priorities' for consideration by the government. These are less complex changes which are largely administrative and achievable by regulatory amendments. For example, the Commissioners are recommending rate changes for some recipients (e.g. increases for singles) and modifying the rules concerning how employment income is treated in both the OW and ODSP programs in order to create more incentives for social assistance recipients to work and retain their earnings.

At this point, what the government may or may not do with the recommendations is not yet known. AMO looks forward to working with the provincial government in their engagement of municipal governments, as well as other stakeholders, in a thoughtful review process.

As municipal governments are heavily invested in the delivery of social assistance, when the government is ready to move on any of the recommendations, AMO will need to have deep involvement in policy development discussions. Municipalities bring a wealth of practical experience to the table based on their experience with delivering the Ontario Works program as well as other social service and human service programs in their communities.

Early conversations and frequent, in-depth consultations with AMO and its member municipalities by the government are crucial to the success of this exercise. To achieve successful outcomes, Ontarians will benefit from well planned changes that are adequately resourced and allow for sufficient local flexibility to enable both innovation and efficiency in the delivery of social assistance and employment services. AMO will work closely with the Ontario Municipal Social Services Association (OMSSA) to assess the potential impacts to municipal service system managers and to inform the government on relevant implementation considerations.

Over the coming weeks, AMO will be reviewing the report's recommendations in more detail and engaging the Provincial Government on next steps. AMO will provide its members with further analysis and information as it becomes available.

To view a copy of the report, visit the website of the Commission for the Review of Social Assistance in Ontario at: <a href="http://www.socialassistancereview.ca/home">http://www.socialassistancereview.ca/home</a>

AMO is a non-profit organization representing almost all of Ontario's 444 municipal governments. AMO supports strong and effective municipal government in Ontario and promotes the value of municipal government as a vital and essential component of Ontario and Canada's political system.

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Honourable Christian Paradis Minister of Industry Canada House of Commons Confederation Building Room 507 Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A6

RE: EQUAL ACCESS TO HIGH-BANDWIDTH BROADBAND RESOLUTION
- SPECTRUM LICENCE RULES
TOWNSHIP FILE NO. GF-101

Please be advised that during the regular meeting of Council on October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2012, the following motion was carried;

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Uxbridge recognizes the ability to access high-speed internet service is immediately critical to the economic development and quality of life in all regions of Canada:

AND WHEREAS rural Canadians in areas with low population density disproportionately rely on wireless internet that requires licensed spectrum;

AND WHEREAS technologies like mobile cellular data are not a viable substitute for access to high-bandwidth broadband to the home provided by licensed wireless services;

AND WHEREAS access to high-bandwidth broadband to the home in rural areas with low population density will:

- Allow rural Canadians to experience equal opportunities and the same benefits of high-bandwidth broadband to the home as urban Canadians currently experience;
- II. Allow rural Canadians to operate home based businesses to stimulate local rural economies;



- III. Allow rural Canadians the opportunity to work from home to meet the demands of the rapidly evolving Canadian workplace and further strengthen the Canadian workforce;
- IV. Create an opportunity to reduce commuter traffic from rural areas to urban centres based on work from home capabilities via universal access to high-bandwidth broadband in rural areas;

AND WHEREAS federal spectrum auction rules discriminate against rural Canadians in areas with low population density and providers of wireless rural broadband by bundling rural areas with urban areas in geographic blocks in spectrum auctions, thereby making it uneconomical for providers of rural broadband to bid on spectrum and provide licensed wireless service to rural Canada:

AND WHEREAS federal spectrum deployment rules further discriminate against rural Canadians in areas with low population density and providers of wireless rural broadband by bundling rural areas with urban areas in geographical blocks in auctions that require spectrum deployment by population percentage, if a rural provider could afford to buy spectrum, a licence typically requires deployment to 50% of the population of the licensed area; rural providers can deploy in 100% of the rural area and only cover 20% of the population, thereby risking lossing the licence; conversely, urban providers can deploy in cities only and meet the spectrum population deployment requirement;

AND WHEREAS the Ministry of Industry Canada has effectively allowed Inukshuk Wireless, a joint venture owned by Bell Canada and Rogers Communications, to confer a monopoly on high-bandwidth broadband licensed spectrum;

AND WHEREAS specifically in the Region of Durham, Inukshuk Wireless is not willing to lease and/or sell the rural portion of the licenced spectrum to rural service providers, leaving the rural population unserviced and denying the rural population of equal rights and opportunities to high-bandwidth broadband licensed spectrum;

AND WHEREAS the Minister of Industry Canada, the Honourable Christian Paradis, has first hand knowledge of the importance and effects of high-bandwidth broadband access in rural areas with low population density as his riding of Mégantic - L'Érable, and more specifically his hometown of Thetford-Mines, a rural area with low population density, is serviced by a rural service provider;

AND WHEREAS the Minister of Industry Canada has a mandate to help make Canadian industry more productive and competitive in the global economy, thus improving the economic and social well-being of Canadians;

AND WHEREAS the Minister of Industry Canada mandate includes encouraging the provision of broadband to all Canadians, including those rural Canadians in areas with low population density and has the authority to alter spectrum auction rules;

AND WHEREAS the Minister of Industry Canada has the immediate opportunity to realize the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission target of broadband internet access services to all Canadians to have access to broadband speeds of at least 5 megabits per second (Mbps).

#### NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Uxbridge hereby call upon the Federal Minister of Industry Canada, the Honourable Christian Paradis to immeadiately amend spectrum auction rules to allow for the separate auction of rural from urban spectrum, thereby allowing rural Canadians in areas with low population density to access high-speed internet via licensed spectrum.

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Christian Paradis, Minister of Industry Canada, the Honourable John O'toole, MPP, the Honourable Gordon O'Connor, P.C., M.P. Chief Government Whip, Constituency Office for Durham, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Ontario Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Rural Affairs, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, and all Ontario municipalities requesting support to call on the Minister of Industry Canada to amend federal spectrum auction rules to be equitable for rural Canadians.

I trust you will find the above to be satisfactory.

Yours truly

Paul Shipway Deputy Clerk

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cc: Honourable Gordon O'Connor, P.C., M.P.
Chief Government Whip, Constituency Office for Durham
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# Solid Waste & Recycling

#### Hello Melinda Reith,

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Algonquin Power Energy From Waste Inc. News Release

October 22, 2012

#### Algonquin Power Energy From Waste Inc. Expands Service Area to all of Ontario

Algonquin Power Energy From Waste Inc. (APEFW) is pleased to announce that it was recently granted an amendment to its existing Certificate of Approval (C of A) that allows it to accept waste from all of Ontario.

The amended C of A, granted to APEFW by the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, is good news to municipalities in southern Ontario looking for reliable, long term solutions to their waste management needs and businesses that want sustainable environmental solutions for their residual waste.

APEFW owns and operates the only large-scale energy-from-waste facility in Southern Ontario. Located in Brampton, the facility converts 500 tonnes per day of solid, non-hazardous waste into steam (which is sold to a neighbouring recycled paper mill) and electricity (sold on the grid).

The APEFW facility has been in operation since 1992 and has processed 2.5 million tonnes of waste to date. The facility is continuously upgraded to ensure its technology and environmental controls remain state-of-the-art. The most recent upgrade to the facility occurred in 2010 which will ensure continued operation for an estimated 20 more years.

With permitted capacity of up to 187,000 tonnes per year, the C of A amendment means that APEFW is now able to accept waste from businesses and municipalities throughout Ontario.

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About Algonquin Power Energy From Waste Inc.

APEFW is a wholly owned subsidiary of Algonquin Power & Utilities Corp., a growing renewable energy and regulated utility company with over \$1.7 billion in assets across North America. The Corporation actively invests in hydroelectric, wind and solar power facilities, and sustainable utility distribution businesses (water, electricity and natural gas) through its two operating subsidiaries: Algonquin Power Company and Liberty Utilities.

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