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Chris Raynor, Regional Clerk Regional Municipality of York 17250 Yonge Street Newmarket, ON L3Y 6Z1

Dear C. Raynor:

RE: Upper York Sewage Solution (UYSS) Advance Approval Request

For your information and records, at its electronic meeting held on December 15, 2020 the Council of the Town of East Gwillimbury enacted as follows:

WHEREAS a sewage solution is necessary to provide servicing allocation to facilitate growth as mandated by the Province through the Growth Plan, and as reflected through the Official Plans of the Town of East Gwillimbury (Town) and the Region of York; and

WHEREAS the Town's 2010 Official Plan Update identified the remaining White Belt lands as future growth areas required to complete the Towns communities while providing additional funding for the proposed Water Reclamation Centre; and

WHEREAS the Town is currently updating its Official Plan and Master Plan documents to include the White Belt lands and extend the planning horizon to 2051; and

WHEREAS there is limited servicing allocation available in the York Durham Sewage System (YDSS), and growth relying on adequate servicing will eventually stop, unless the UYSS Individual Environmental Assessment is approved or a solution is found; and

WHEREAS the Holland Landing Lagoon Wastewater Treatment Facility which has been in service since 1974, is at the end of its service life, and has been the source of odour complaints and continues to detract from the community's quality of life; and

WHEREAS the Environmental Compliance Approval from the Holland Landing lagoons is required to be transferred to the Water Reclamation Centre if a Lake Simcoe based solution for the UYSS is approved by the Minister; and

WHEREAS the Holland Landing Lagoons should be decommissioned as a priority as soon as possible regardless of the decision to proceed with a Lake Ontario or Lake Simcoe based solution for the UYSS:

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of East Gwillimbury respectfully request the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks' decision to advance the approval of either the UYSS or any other servicing option that is deemed expeditious; and

THAT the Minister, with the Region of York, fast track the decommissioning of the Holland Landing Lagoons; and

THAT Council direct staff to forward a copy of this resolution to the Honorable Jeff Yurek MPP, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, and the Honorable Caroline Mulroney, M.P.P. York-Simcoe.

If you have any further questions feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

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cc: Honourable Jeff Yurek, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks Honourable Caroline Mulroney, Member of Provincial Parliament- York-Simcoe Mike Molinari, General Manager of Community Infrastructure & Environmental Services