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Honourable James Bradley
Minister of the Environment
Ferguson Block
11th Floor, 77 Wellesley St W
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Dear Minister Bradley:

**Re: Walker Environmental Group Inc.
Southwestern Landfill Proposal – Amended Terms of Reference**

The Southwestern Landfill Proposal seeks to develop a modern landfill in the mined Carmeuse Lime (Canada) Beachville Quarry Operations within the Township of Zorra, in the County of Oxford. If approved, the site will receive solid non-hazardous waste generated by businesses and communities across Ontario. The Townships of Zorra and South-West Oxford, the Town of Ingersoll and the County of Oxford have been actively monitoring this proposal and extensively involved in the Environmental Assessment process and the Terms of Reference review process through our Joint Municipal Coordinating Committee (JMCC), its coordinated Peer Review Team (PRT) and Oxford County's Acting Medical Officer of Health.

On April 2, 2014, WEG issued a 3-page Amendment to the ToR for public review and comment. In correspondence dated May 15, 2014, we provided significant comments outlining our concerns with regard to the Environmental Assessment Terms of Reference. The public review period for this amendment closed May 20, 2014.

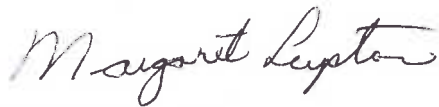
On May 26, 2014, Walker submitted to the Ministry of Environment for approval an Amended Terms of Reference which disregards some key concerns raised in the aforementioned material. We are very disappointed that Walker has chosen to disregard our very valid concerns and issues. Along with the many technical issues raised through our JMCC and PRT efforts and as evidenced by the support from all appropriate local Councils and County Council, our community strongly believes that any Environmental Assessment for the Southwestern Landfill must include an in-depth Health Impact Assessment, including a comprehensive assessment of the cumulative and synergistic impacts of all factors that may impact the overall health and well-being of our community. We believe that the Environmental Assessment process must review and assess all determinants of health & health equity. We realize the significance of this requirement and we are steadfast in our belief that it is required.

An Environmental Assessment Terms of Reference that does not address the issues and concerns of our coordinated JMCC/PRT technical review team and those of our Acting Medical Officer of Health is totally unacceptable to our community. This position has been supported by the appropriate local governing bodies through resolutions of support from the Councils of the County of Oxford, the Town of Ingersoll and the Township of South-West Oxford.

As the Minister of the Environment, final approval of the Amended Terms of Reference for the Southwest Landfill Proposal lies with you. I ask therefore that you reject the Amended Terms of Reference on the basis that Walker has chosen to ignore the significant concerns of our community. Failing outright rejection of the Amended Terms of Reference, I ask that you not approve any Terms of Reference for the Southwest Landfill Proposal without a Ministerial amendment that includes all comments and submissions in their entirety from the Joint Municipal Coordinating Committee and the Acting Medical Officer of Health as endorsed by resolutions of support from the Councils of the County of Oxford, the Town of Ingersoll and the Townships of Zorra and South-West Oxford.

On behalf of our community at large I ask that you exercise the obligations of your office in a manner that ensures the residents and businesses of Oxford County are properly served by the Environmental Assessment process.

Yours truly,



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Mayor

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