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Dear Ms. Garcia-Wright and Ms. Goyette:

**RE: Durham/York Energy from Waste Project
Submission of the Regional Municipality of Durham's
Waste Diversion Program Monitoring Report for 2011
(Environmental Assessment Condition 10)
MOE File No.: EA-08-02**

In accordance with Condition 10 of the Environmental Assessment (EA), the Regional Municipality of Durham (Region) submits the Annual Waste Diversion Report titled *Waste Management Services 2011 Annual Report* for the activities and progress towards diversion during the 2011 year.

The Region continues to work cooperatively with all lower tier municipalities to ensure that waste diversion programs, policies and targets are being met.

The Region's waste diversion monitoring plan remains consistent with the Waste Diversion Ontario annual municipal datacall which compiles information on residential materials diverted and disposed by Ontario municipalities.

The enclosed *Waste Management Services 2011 Annual Report* summarizes the results of the at-source diversion programs on page 30, in Table 1: Region of Durham Tonnes of Residential Waste Managed (2011). This table illustrates an overall waste diversion rate of 53 per cent for the Region. Curbside and multi-residential waste diversion rates for the Region's area municipalities range from 50 per cent to 61 per cent for an average of 56 per cent. Curbside and multi-residential diversion rates rose by one per cent from the previous year.

The Region's waste management facilities' diversion rate rose three per cent compared to the previous year, and is currently 33 per cent. This is attributed to the introduction of porcelain and shingle drop-off at the waste management facilities.

The combined curbside residential and waste management facilities' diversion rate increased by one per cent compared to the 2010 diversion rate. The Region will continue to develop, implement and expand new and existing recycling and reuse opportunities in 2012 both curbside and at our waste management facilities.

In accordance with EA Condition 8.8 (e), the Region will submit the subject report to the Energy from Waste Advisory Committee for information concurrently. In addition, the *Waste Management Services 2011 Annual Report* has been posted on the Region's website and the project website.

We trust that this report meets the Ministry of the Environment's expectation as outlined in the EA Notice of Approval. If you require additional information, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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