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Ms. Suzanne Weiss Deputy Clerk City of Temiskaming Shores PO Box 2050 325 Farr Drive Haileybury ON P0J 1K0

Dear Ms. Weiss:

Thank you for submitting your Terms of Reference on June 1, 2012, and an errata letter dated July 9, 2012 for the preparation of a Terms of Reference for an environmental assessment for the City of Temiskaming Shores' New Waste Management Capacity project. The ministry has completed its review and I wish to inform you that I have approved your Terms of Reference and amended it to include the errata letter submitted to the Ministry of the Environment. Please see attached Notice of Approval.

As required by subsection 6.1(1) of the Environmental Assessment Act, your environmental assessment must now be prepared in accordance with the approved Terms of Reference. While this approval provides additional certainty to your environmental assessment decision-making process, it does not secure approval of an undertaking. The City of Temiskaming Shores is responsible for fulfilling the commitments outlined in the Terms of Reference and providing the appropriate level of quality in the environmental assessment.

Should you wish to vary significantly from your approved Terms of Reference, in preparing your environmental assessment you will need to submit a new Terms of Reference for my approval. In the event of any uncertainty, you should consult with the Ministry of the Environment through the ministry's Environmental Approvals Branch.

Ms. Suzanne Weiss Page 2.

Should you require further assistance please contact Ms. Michelle Whitmore, Special Project Officer of the Environmental Approvals Branch, at 416-314-7225 or by e-mail at michelle.whitmore@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

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Jim Bradley Minister of the Environment

Attachment

c: David Treen, Manager of Engineering and Environmental Services, City of Temiskaming Shores

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TERMS OF REFERENCE - NOTICE OF APPROVAL

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT ACT

SUBSECTION 6(4)

APPROVAL OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

FOR

THE PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

RE: Proponent: City of Temiskaming Shores

Undertaking: New Waste Management Capacity

EA File No.: EA 03-08-02

As provided for by subsection 6(4) of the Environmental Assessment Act, Terms of Reference, as submitted for approval to the Ministry of the Environment on June 1, 2012, to govern the preparation of an environmental assessment for the above-noted undertaking, is hereby approved with the following amendment:

 The Terms of Reference shall be amended to include as part of the Terms of Reference the errata letter submitted to the Ministry of the Environment and dated July 9, 2012. The errata letter shall form part of the Amended Terms of Reference.

Pursuant to subsection 6.1(1) of the Environmental Assessment Act, any environmental assessment for the above-noted undertaking, submitted to the Ministry of the Environment pursuant to subsection 6.2(1) of the Environmental Assessment Act, must be prepared in accordance with the Terms of Reference as hereby approved.

Reasons:

I am satisfied that an environmental assessment prepared in accordance with the Terms of Reference will be consistent with the purpose of the Environmental Assessment Act and the public interest for the following reasons:

 The Terms of Reference ensures that the environmental assessment will be completed using a public, Aboriginal and government agency consultation process that is open and transparent;

- The Terms of Reference ensures that the completed environmental assessment will contain a sufficient level of detail to accurately assess the environmental effects of a reasonable range of alternatives and the proposed undertaking;
- The Terms of Reference sets out a planning process that will ensure the completed environmental assessment will be consistent with the purpose of the Environmental Assessment Act and the public interest; and,
- There are no outstanding issues that have not adequately been addressed in the Terms of Reference or that cannot be addressed during the preparation of the Environmental Assessment.

Dated the 28th day of November, 2012 at TORONTO.

Minister of the Environment 77 Wellesley Street West 11th Floor, Ferguson Block Toronto, Ontario M7A 2T5