

Corporation of the Municipality of Thames Centre

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January 10, 2017

Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario Legislative Building – Room 281 Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Wynne:

At its last regular meeting held on January 9, 2017, the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Thames Centre reviewed a resolution enacted by the Council of the Township of Zorra, at its regular meeting held on December 6, 2016, concerning the cost of hydro for rural residents.

I wish to advise that the Thames Centre Council enacted the following resolution:

*"WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Thames Centre, hereby supports the following resolution passed by the Council of the Township of Zorra at its regular meeting held on December 6, 2016:* 

AND WHEREAS, there is inequity between the cost of hydro for rural residents as compared to urban residents due to higher distribution charges;

AND WHEREAS, this practice targets and negatively affects rural residents, especially those who are already unable to pay for the high cost of hydro;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Council of the Township of Zorra request the Province of Ontario to re-evaluate the structure of hydro in terms of access to delivery and implement structural changes to address the unfair practice of charging more for delivery to rural residents;

AND THAT this resolution be circulated to Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, Rural Ontario Municipalities Association (ROMA), Ontario Municipalities, Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)."

The Council is very concerned with this issue and respectfully requests that further consideration be given to re-evaluate the structure of hydro and indicated in its resolution.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

The Corporation of the Municipality of Thames Centre

Maudsley Jim

Mayor

cc: Rural Ontario Municipalities Association (ROMA) All Ontario Municipalities Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM) Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Township of Zorra



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December 6, 2016

Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario Legislative Building - Room 281 Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Wynne:

Please be advised the Council of the Township of Zorra passed the following resolution at its December 6, 2016, regular meeting:

"WHEREAS, there is inequity between the cost of hydro for rural residents as compared to urban residents due to higher distribution charges;

AND WHEREAS, this practice targets and negatively affects rural residents, especially those who are already unable to pay for the high cost of hydro;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Council of the Township of Zorra request the Province of Ontario to re-evaluate the structure of hydro in terms of access to delivery and implement structural changes to address the unfair practice of charging more for delivery to rural residents;

AND THAT this resolution be circulated to Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, Rural Ontario Municipalities Association (ROMA), Ontario Municipalities, Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)." Disposition: Carried

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly.

Donald W. MacLeod Chief Administrative Officer

cc: Rural Ontario Municipalities Association (ROMA) All Ontario Municipalities Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM) Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Tay Valley Township

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