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Subject: Resolution of Support re Opposition to Incineration Facilities

Good Afternoon: Please find below a Resolution that was passed by Council for the Municipality of Port Hope at their regular Council meeting held on December 15, 2015 for your Council's consideration and support;

Resolution 129/2015
Moved by Councillor Hickey
Seconded by Councillor Polutnik

WHEREAS Council of the Municipality of Port Hope passed Resolution 95/2014 to deny an Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment application from a company wishing to locate a power generation facility utilizing the incineration of waste due to numerous concerns including associated health risks;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Port Hope requests that the Ontario Minister of Environment and Climate Change and the Ontario Minister of Energy prohibit incineration and related means of waste disposal, including "Energy from Waste" facilities, as these facilities result in significant release of toxic substances and greenhouse gases, and thus their use is in conflict with the Province's goal of reducing greenhouse gases;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Port Hope submits to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change and the Minister of Energy the attached document prepared by Dr. Stan R. Blecher, which addresses his review of the Environmental Screening Report process, his critique of this process, and his suggestions for improvements to this process to protect communities from harmful and dirty industries;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Port Hope request a meeting together with the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change and the Minister of Energy to discuss issues surrounding our opposition to incineration facilities; to discuss the opposing positions being taken by these Ministries with respect to Energy From Waste facilities; to discuss the promotion of clean waste management practices with emphasis on recycling; and to discuss our interest in exploring the establishment in the Municipality of Port Hope, of a Centre of Excellence in Recycling, with focus on attracting recycling industries to the area, and establishing, in collaboration with neighbouring institutions, a Learning and Research Hub in Recycling Technologies;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this motion be presented to Northumberland County Council to seek their support in opposing incineration and the banning of "Energy From Waste" facilities in the waste management strategies of Northumberland County;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this motion be circulated to all Municipalities in the Province of Ontario for their support;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this motion be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario to inform them of the Municipality of Port Hope's opposition to incineration, and to request that the AMO advise the Standing Committee on Social Policy (currently reviewing Bill 73) that the Municipality of Port Hope does not support the AMO's position on supporting "Energy From Waste" facilities, but does support expanding options to improve on strategies to divert waste from landfills by reducing, reusing, and recycling.

Regards,

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