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Rose Caterini
City Clerk
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Dear Ms. Caterini,

I am writing to you today on behalf of Toronto City Council to ask that your municipality support Toronto City Council's request that the Ontario Ministry of Environment and Climate Change acknowledge its responsibility as the 'implementing body' for the purpose of the Lake Ontario policies contained in the Credit Valley, Toronto and Region, Central Ontario (CTC) Source Water Protection Plan.

The City is asking for this in support of the Plan's existing Lake Ontario policies and in support of the CTC Source Protection Committee which has noted that the Ontario Government has a duty and is best positioned to protect Lake Ontario from various drinking water threats. These threats and policies are documented in the CTC Source Protection Plan, which need to be adopted and implemented to ensure 6 million Ontarians have continued access to clean and safe drinking water. For your information, I have attached a letter I sent to the Deputy Minister of Environment and Climate Change which outlines our specific concerns, along with the staff report and City Council's decision.

Like you, our municipality operates water treatment facilities that rely on Lake Ontario. It is in our shared interest to see that this vital, safe and abundant source of drinking water is protected as outlined in the CTC Source Protection Plan. If you have any questions, please contact Lou Di Gironimo, General Manager of Toronto Water at ldigiro@toronto.ca or 416-392-8200. I look forward to your support.

Yours truly,

(original signed by)

Joseph P. Pennachetti
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cc: Mayor John Tory
       John Livey, Deputy City Manager
       Lou Di Gironimo, General Manager, Toronto Water

Attach. Letter to Paul Evans, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change

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