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His Worship Fred Eisenberger
Mayor
City of Hamilton
71 Main Street West, 2nd floor
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Dear Mayor Eisenberger:

Thank you for your emailed letter of September 12, 2018 regarding your request for an expedited review of an upcoming Environmental Compliance Approval application for the City of Hamilton's Central Composting Facility.

I commend you for ensuring that your facility is only in operation when it is done in a manner that is protective of the environment and human health. Once the facility is back in operation, it will again assist in achieving the province's goal of diverting organics from landfills and contributing to our circular economy.

With regard to your request for a priority review, I understand that an application has not been submitted to-date. However, I have been informed that staff from the City met with staff from my ministry's Environmental Assessment and Permissions Branch on September 21, 2018 to discuss the upcoming application. I ask that your staff continue to work the Environmental Assessment and Permissions Branch to ensure a timely application review once the application has been submitted.

If you have further questions about the application process, please contact Mr. Dale Gable, Manager of Waste Approvals, at 416-314-8317 or at dale.gable@ontario.ca.

Thank you, again, for bringing this matter to my attention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rod Phillips', written over a white background.

Rod Phillips
Minister

c: Ms. Donna Skelly, MPP, Flamborough-Glanbrook