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Dear Ms. Girt,

I have received your correspondence dated July 5, 2022 addressed to Sarah Day. The Ministry appreciates your detailed response which provided updates on the City's engagement with Indigenous communities.

In regard to your specific questions regarding the jurisdiction of the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks to issue Orders with respect to the City of Hamilton, I am writing to clarify that the province has the authority to exercise its powers under the *Environmental Protection Act* and *Ontario Water Resources Act*.

As the City of Hamilton is responsible for remediation activities in Chedoke Creek, it is well positioned to discuss concerns about the remediation and its potential impacts, including those raised by the Haudenosaunee Development Institute (HDI).

Please contact me at [Lubna.i.hussain@ontario.ca](mailto:Lubna.i.hussain@ontario.ca) or 416-554-2527 to co-ordinate further conversations as needed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lubna Hussain".

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