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Dear Hamilton City Official / Mayor / Councillor I am writing to formally bring to your attention the ongoing and worsening odour issue emanating from the nearby landfill ( GFL 65 Green Mountain Rd West , Stoney Creek L8J 1X5) , which has been severely affecting the quality of life for myself and many residents of Stoney Creek. Despite multiple complaints and compliance review initiations, the situation persists, leaving our community in distress. Since March 2023, I have personally raised at least 25 complaints through the Ontario site regarding pollution and odour disturbances. While I appreciate the initial perimeter checks conducted by GFL staff, these measures have not resulted in a long-term resolution. The odour, which has been described as a combination of burning rubber, rotting eggs, and chemical fumes, continues to be a daily struggle for residents. Some of the Reference number for your review are [https://report-pollution.ene.gov.on.ca/app/account/pollution-report-detail/i\\_id/8845](https://report-pollution.ene.gov.on.ca/app/account/pollution-report-detail/i_id/8845),[https://report-pollution.ene.gov.on.ca/app/account/pollution-report-detail/i\\_id/8746](https://report-pollution.ene.gov.on.ca/app/account/pollution-report-detail/i_id/8746),[https://report-pollution.ene.gov.on.ca/app/account/pollution-report-detail/i\\_id/6139](https://report-pollution.ene.gov.on.ca/app/account/pollution-report-detail/i_id/6139),[https://report-pollution.ene.gov.on.ca/app/account/pollution-report-detail/i\\_id/5467](https://report-pollution.ene.gov.on.ca/app/account/pollution-report-detail/i_id/5467),[https://report-pollution.ene.gov.on.ca/app/account/pollution-report-detail/i\\_id/5299](https://report-pollution.ene.gov.on.ca/app/account/pollution-report-detail/i_id/5299),[https://report-pollution.ene.gov.on.ca/app/account/pollution-report-detail/i\\_id/5091](https://report-pollution.ene.gov.on.ca/app/account/pollution-report-detail/i_id/5091)

Several complaints have been reported complaining about a particularly strong and lingering odour, which has always returned and intensified. The overpowering stench during summer season makes it nearly impossible to engage in outdoor activities such as walking or gardening and even affects indoor air quality despite closed windows. The impact is not only physical—causing nausea, dizziness, headaches, and respiratory discomfort—but also psychological, leading to stress and anxiety among residents who feel trapped in their own homes.

Many of us have been forced to alter our daily routines to avoid exposure. Simple pleasures such as opening windows for fresh air or taking an evening stroll have become distant memories. The situation is particularly frustrating as we approach the last weeks of summer, a time when families should be able to enjoy their outdoor spaces without concern for toxic exposure.

The odour is not merely an inconvenience—it is a fundamental public health and environmental issue. Clean air is a basic necessity, and the failure to address this long-standing concern undermines the well-being of our community. Residents are deeply concerned about the long-term health risks associated with persistent exposure to these fumes, and we demand immediate and meaningful action.

We urge the City to take decisive action to address this crisis. We seek transparency regarding the compliance reviews and demand a timeline for tangible corrective measures. The community deserves accountability from both the municipality and GFL to ensure our right to a safe and habitable environment.

We request a public meeting with city officials, GFL representatives, and affected residents to discuss concrete solutions. Immediate steps should be taken to monitor air quality, enforce compliance with environmental regulations, and explore alternatives to reduce emissions from the landfill.

Our community cannot continue to endure this environmental injustice. We implore you to treat this matter with the urgency it demands and provide us with a clear plan of action.

We appreciate your prompt attention to this pressing issue and look forward to your response.

Regards  
Satyajit Sharma