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His Worship Mayor Bob Bratina and Members of Council Hamilton City Hall 71 Main St. West Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5

Dear Mayor Bratina and Members of Council:

I congratulate the City of Hamilton for achieving Milestone 5 of the Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) Program for corporate emissions, a distinction shared with 16 other municipalities in Canada. This milestone culminates in the monitoring, verifying and reporting on greenhouse gas reductions. Your municipality's completion of this milestone has been posted to the PCP website at www.fcm.ca/pcp.

We look forward to working with you in the development of the City of Hamilton's action plan, implementation strategy and monitoring report, which constitutes the third, fourth and fifth PCP milestones for community emissions. Your efforts, and those of the growing number of PCP participants, are making significant contributions to reducing Canada's GHG emissions. Cost-effective, community-based projects offer the very best opportunities for taking action on climate change. Since 2008, PCP member municipalities have voluntarily reported on over 800 projects to reduce GHG emissions. These projects represent more than \$2 billion in investments and over 1.8 million tonnes in GHG reductions. FCM would like to thank the City of Hamilton for its ongoing support in sharing the results of this success.

We are also pleased to enclose the last component of the PCP puzzle (house) as a part of the recognition process reflecting the achievement of the fifth milestone.

Our Program Officer, Thierry Mallette, will contact Brian Montgomery, Air and Climate Change Coordinator, to discuss how PCP can continue to serve the needs of your municipality. Should you have any questions, Mr. Mallette can be reached by telephone at (613) 907-6340 or via e-mail at pcp@fcm.ca.

Yours sincerely,

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c: Brian Montgomery, Air and Climate Change Coordinator