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Town of Fort Frances
Operations & Facilities Division
320 Portage Avenue
Fort Frances, ON P9A 3P9
Attn: Travis Rob

Dear Travis,

SUBJECT: Certificate of Approval A610301-Service Area Expansion

The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) is aware of the work that is currently being undertaken to develop a Municipal Type Service Agreement between the Town of Fort Frances and Naotkamegwaning First Nation related to use of the municipalities landfill.

Environmental Compliance Approval No. A610301 originally issued on October 14th, 1975 and updated on April 01st, 1980 requires landfilling activities to be carried out in accordance with the original application and supporting documentation submitted by the Town of Fort Frances. Strictly speaking, the original application only allows the Town of Fort Frances to be served by the landfill and does not allow for waste to be accepted from outside of the municipal boundaries.

The ministry acknowledges that the Town of Fort Frances is currently taking steps to expand the current landfill site and will be required to amend the Environmental Compliance Approval (ECA) at that time. The Town of Fort Frances should ensure that the landfill expansion takes into consideration the waste being accepted from outside of the municipal boundaries and includes a service area expansion during the ECA amendment process.

The ministry is supportive of the Town of Fort Frances accepting waste from outside of its municipal boundaries as an interim measure to aid in the development of the Municipal Type Service Agreement with Naotkamegwaning First Nation. The ministry requests that timelines and updates regarding the Town of Fort Frances landfill expansion be forwarded to the undersigned officer once finalized. Failure to complete the landfill expansion and ECA amendment in an agreeable timeframe could lead to the ministry revoking its support and requiring the town to undergo an ECA amendment if they wish to continue the service agreement.

It is the responsibility of both the Town of Fort Frances and Naotkamegwaning First Nation to ensure an acceptable agreement is in place prior to waste being accepted at the municipal site. The development of the agreement should take into consideration Ontario's environmental legislation related

to waste management.

If you have any questions regarding this matter or Ontario's environment legislation, please do not hesitate in contacting me by email at jason.tittlemier@ontario.ca or by telephone at (807) 468-2758.

Yours truly,

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