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Release of energy-from-waste business case re-scheduled

WHITBY, ON – The Regional Municipality of Durham would like to advise the public, and media, that the Joint Finance & Administration and Works Committee meeting to consider the energy-from-waste business case has been re-scheduled to Wednesday, May 21 from the original date of Tuesday, April 29.

In January 2008, Durham and York Regional Councils accepted the consultants' recommendation to select Clarington 01 as the preferred site for a proposed energy-from-waste (EFW) facility. Council amended the motion to state that the design and installation of the EFW facility include state-of-the-art air emission control technologies that meet or exceed the European Union monitoring and measurement standards, as well as Ontario's A7 standards. In addition, the Region of Durham must strive for a target of 70 per cent residual waste diversion rate by December 2010.

Since 2005, Durham and York Regions have been working together to examine ways to manage residual waste—the waste that remains after composting and recycling. Through its Environmental Assessment, also referred to as the Durham/York Residual Waste Study, the project's next steps include a request for proposals, and a number of site-specific studies to address any potential air, land or water impacts, in addition to related health concerns.

For more information on the Durham/York Residual Waste Study, visit www.durhamyorkwaste.ca, call 905-307-8628 (or toll-free at 1-866-398-4423), or e-mail info@durhamyorkwaste.ca.

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