



## *Durham York Energy Centre*

# ECA Exceedance Notification Protocol

The intent of this protocol is to provide a consistent approach to the notification process when a confirmed exceedance of the Environmental Compliance Approval (ECA) limits occurs at the Durham York Energy Centre (DYEC).

### **1.0 Monitoring and Internal Notification**

The Region of Durham, Works Department, Waste Management staff and the operator Covanta will track emissions monitoring data related to the Durham York Energy Centre from both the Continuous Emissions Monitors and the Source Test laboratory results.

If the monitoring data indicates that an exceedance of the ECA limits is suspected to have occurred at the Durham York Energy Centre (DYEC), the MOECC notification protocol (previously approved by the MOECC) will be followed.

Once formal confirmation (from the accredited laboratory) of the exceedance is received, Regional staff will implement the Public Communications Process and will notify Regional Council, senior management and DYEC advisory committees, identifying the date of the exceedance, the chemical or compound involved, the quantitative value of the exceedance and the related ECA limit.

### **2.0 Public Communications Process**

Following notification from Waste Management staff of a confirmed exceedance of the ECA limits at the DYEC, Regional staff will undertake these activities during regular Regional business hours:

- A news release will be issued to media, including the quantitative value of the exceedance and the related ECA limit.
- A copy of the news release will be posted to the Region's website in the "Newsroom" section.
- The news release will also be posted on the Durham York Energy Centre project website under the "What's New" and "Media Releases" sections. (The posting will cause anyone who has subscribed to receive updates from the project website to be notified, via email, of the new posting).
- Related messages will be posted on the Region's corporate social media channels (Facebook/Twitter) with links to the news release on the Region's website.