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December 23, 2016

Kathleen Hedley, Director,
Environmental Approvals Branch
Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change
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Dear Ms. Hedley:

**RE: Durham York Energy Centre
December 11, 2016 Fire Incident Report - Surface and Groundwater Monitoring
Recommendations
MOECC File #: EA-08-02**

As you are aware, on Sunday, December 11, 2016, a fire occurred above boiler # 2 at the Durham York Energy Centre. Section 4.4 of the Durham-York Energy Centre Groundwater and Surface Water Monitoring Plan, dated September 14, 2011, states the following.

In accordance with Condition 20.9 of the EA Notice of Approval, a report shall be prepared to the Director and Regional Director detailing potential impact to groundwater or surface water within 30 days of any of the following events:

- a) *A spill occurs onsite.*
- b) *A fire or explosion occurs onsite.*
- c) *A disruption to normal operations that may directly or indirectly have an impact on groundwater or surface water.*

The report shall recommend any additional monitoring or testing required as a result of the event.

All water used to extinguish the fire was contained on the roof and surface areas within the internal drainage system of the plant, which is directed to the wastewater holding tank and reused in plant processes. There was no release to the environment which could reasonably be expected to impact groundwater or surface water. Based on this, our recommendation is that no additional monitoring or testing is required as a result of the event.

If you require any further information, please contact Mr. Gioseph Anello, Manager of Waste Planning and Technical Services, at 905-668-7711 extension 3445.

Sincerely,

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