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October 2, 2020

Lisa Trevisan, Director, Central Region
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Dear Ms. Trevisan:

**RE: Durham/York Energy from Waste Project
Third Party Independent Audit Report - Operation Year 2019
Environmental Assessment (EA) Condition of Approval Number 16.5
Environmental Compliance Approval (ECA) 15(2)
MECP File #: EA-08-02**

In accordance with Condition 16.5 of the Notice of Approval to Proceed with the Undertaking (EA) and ECA Condition 15(2), The Regional Municipality of Durham and The Regional Municipality of York (Regions) have received the enclosed Operations Phase Independent Audit Report (Audit Report) on the Durham York Energy Centre (DYEC) covering the 2019 operating year.

BluMetric commenced the operations phase audit on September 1 and 2, in accordance with the Operations Phase Audit Plan and the letter to Ms. Celeste Dugas, Manager, York Durham District Office, dated April 14, 2020, advising of revisions to the DYEC Operations Audit Plan to allow for the audit date to be rescheduled in the event of an emergency situation. The operations phase audit was completed by BluMetric and submitted to the Regions on September 24, 2020.

The Executive Summary of the Audit Report states “For the 2019 operational year, DYEC operated in general accordance with environmental legislations and their Environmental Assessment conditions.”

The audit is comprised of three parts, namely: document review, site walkthrough, and interviews. In light of the current COVID-19 pandemic and the precautionary measure in place, the internal site walkthrough was undertaken via Microsoft Teams video meeting application.

The Audit Report identified one new non-compliance relating to an open door and four opportunities for improvement pertaining to the loader cleaning procedure, waste oil drum spill and site signage. There were two outstanding items remaining from the previous year’s audit referring to landscaping and visual screening on site and the Spill Contingency Emergency Response Plan.

A copy of the Audit Report will be retained at the site and posted on the project website (www.durhamyorkwaste.ca) in accordance with ECA Condition 15(3). The Audit Report will also be submitted to the Energy from Waste Advisory Committee for information.

If you require any further information, please contact Gioseph Anello, Director, Waste Management Services, at 905-668-7711 extension 3445.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure