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The Honourable Andrew S. Brandt
Minister of the Environment
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Dear Mr. Minister:

SUBJECT: Region of Halton Request for Exemption from Public
Hearings re Expansion of Burlington Landfill Site.

I have a copy of the letter from Mr. J.N. Raftis, Regional Chairman,
Region of Halton, 1983-11-10 on this subject!

I wish to express strong opposition to the request in the letter and
to question some of the analysis in the letter

I enclose for your information a copy of comments I made at Regional
Council on November 9, 1983 when this subject was debated.

I have been a member of the Region of Halton Solid Waste Management
Committee from its inception and so I am aware of the serious situation
Halton has been in with respect to garbage disposal. I am also Chairman
of the City of Burlington Solid Waste Management Committee and, therefore,
am aware of the position of the City of Burlington. Hopefully, you will
be receiving further communication from the City of Burlington.

I am also the elected Regional Councillor for Burlington's Ward one
where the proposed expansion would take place. I know that the Solid
Waste Management Committee of the West Burlington Citizens Group has
corresponded with you in the past and have lodged with you a petition.
I believe they will also communicate with you on this subject.

I want to make three main points:

First, the environmental and social acceptability of the proposed expansion
is questionable. The community and immediate neighbours have every
right to expect a hearing where this acceptability can be proven or
disproven.

Second, there is no emergency situation. There is an alternative, - the
"export option",

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Third, the "export option" is an opportunity to implement stated Regional policy and stated Ministry of Environment goals. I would hope that the Minister would be able to lend support to an implementation of principles stated in the Blueprint for Waste Management and other Ministry statements as well as to implement a progressive and environmentally sound waste disposal policy.

Therefore, I would hope that the Minister would insist that the Minister would insist that the full process of full hearings, preferably under the E.A.A., would be held for all four phases of the Dillon proposal.

I am prepared to personally meet with yourself and your staff on this matter. I know that representatives of the Citizens Group and neighbours would also be willing to so meet.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Walter Mulkewich
Regional Councillor
Ward 1

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