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Oliver Vigelius Manager of Operations, West B Public Works – General Operations City of Kawartha Lakes 89 St. David Street Lindsay, ON, K9V 5K2

Dear Mr. Vigelius:

The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) has received your letter dated February 25, 2020 requesting approval for public notice as an alternative to non-residential area signs for the use of Clearview Herbicide (PCP 29752), Gateway Adjuvant (PCP 31470) Credit Xtreme Herbicide (PCP 29888) and Arsenal Powerline Herbicide (PCP 30203) to control vegetation at all guiderail locations, and control noxious weeds along rural roadsides in the City of Kawartha Lakes.

Pursuant to section 79 of Ontario Regulation 63/09 under the *Pesticides Act*, your request to provide alternative means of public notice of pesticide use has been considered and approval of public notice, as set out below, is granted:

- Your notice must include a description of the exception under subsection 7.1 (2) of the Act that applies (a description of the relevant exception under the cosmetic pesticide ban).
- If a telephone number that is required to appear on a notice is a number to which long distance rates apply from telephones located near the application area, the person who performs the extermination shall ensure that all collect calls are accepted at that number.
- The representative at the telephone number that appears on the notice must be able to provide, at least 24 hours before the extermination, the actual date on which the extermination is to take place.
- Notices must be published <u>at least seven days</u> before beginning pesticide application operations and, <u>repeated monthly</u> throughout the application time period.

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- Notices are to be published in a prominent location in the newspapers of general circulation and must be printed such that they are at least 10 cm (4 inches) in width.
- Scanned copies of the actual pages of the newspaper containing the newspaper notices (including the name of the publication and the publication date) must be sent to by email to Pesticides.Permit.Applications@ontario.ca (Regional Pesticides Specialist) within thirty days of publication.
- Approval is valid until September 11, 2020.

The ministry recognizes the importance of providing public notice of pesticide use, and encourages municipalities to adopt voluntary additional measures, such as updating the City's website to indicate where pesticide application will take place in order to provide enhanced public notification.

If you have any questions regarding requests for alternative means of public notice, please contact sdbpesticideapproval@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

Sherif Hegazy

Director under the Pesticides Act

cc. Scott Olan – MECP, Eastern Region

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