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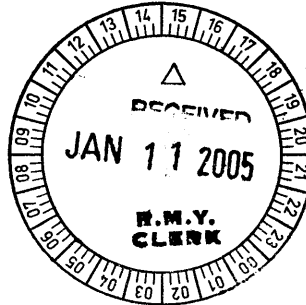
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Dear Mr. Kelly:

Thank you for forwarding me York Regional Council's resolution regarding the Highway 427 Extension Environmental Assessment (EA).

I met with Bill Fisch, Regional Chair of York Region, and His Worship Michael Di Biase, Mayor of Vaughan, on this issue on November 22, 2004. As a result of the meeting, I have directed ministry staff to consider the feasibility of moving ahead on an EA to address the transportation needs in the Highway 427 corridor immediately north of Highway 7.

I understand the challenges York Region is facing with regard to transportation and land use planning related to the potential extension of Highway 427.

Thank you again for bringing this matter to my attention.

Sincerely,

Harinder S. Takhar
Minister