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Dear Sir:

Re: File Number D05.102.45, proposed amendment to official plan by
Green Lane Leslie Holdings Inc.

SUBMISSIONS:

I enclose a summary of Bill 27 introduced to the legislature Dec. 15 & 16, 2003, from Willms & Shier, Environmental Lawyers.

I am opposed to the proposed amendment for the following reasons:

1. It is a waste of taxes to deal with this application since the Minister of Municipal affairs & Housing has frozen all applications to change uses from agricultural to urban for one year. Ontario Regulation 432/03 under s.47(1)(a) of the Planning Act, filed Dec. 16/03.

2. Re Bill 27 (future Greenbelt Protection Act, 2003). Some farmland and greenspace at the edge of the urban boundry will be permanently prohibited from urban uses. The subject property is just the type of property that will be included in the future greenbelt.

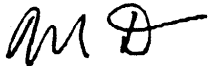
At the very least this application should be adjourned until we find out whether the subject property is included in the permanent greenbelt.

3. The Town of East Gwillimbury has designated the subject area in its official plan as a "buffer zone". The Town is opposed to changes from agricultural uses to urban uses in this area. It is a waste of time and money for York Region to redesignate this land when the Town and the Province are

opposed to this change, as shown by the recent legislation passed and proposed.

4. This land should be left as farmland to stop urban sprawl and traffic gridlock.
5. The proposed change is premature because services are not yet available.
6. The Town of E. Gwillimbury has directed development to other areas including the expanded Queensville. This should be respected. The subject property should be left as a buffer or greenbelt to separate Newmarket from East Gwillimbury, in accordance with Smart Growth Planning Policies adopted by all levels of government in Ontario, as well as British Columbia, Ottawa, many USA states and cities.

Yours truly,



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