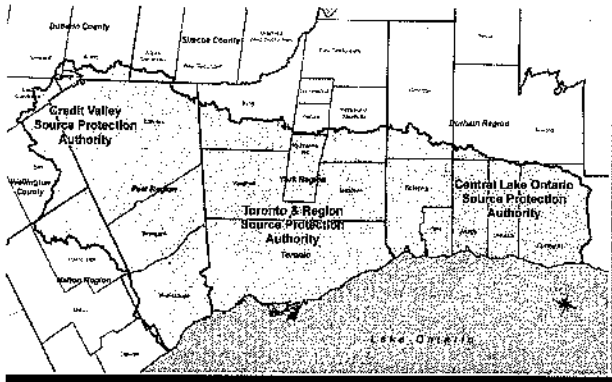

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NOTICE of CONSULTATION
For the attention of Council
Deadline for Comment – December 16, 2010
***Proposed Assessment Report*: Toronto and Region Source Protection Area (TRSPA)**
Pursuant to the *Clean Water Act, 2006* (the Act) and Ontario Regulation 287/07

Municipalities wholly or partially within a source protection area must be notified of the opportunity to make comment on the Proposed Assessment report before it is submitted to Ministry of the Environment. Enclosed is an electronic copy of the *Proposed Assessment Report: TRSPA* which affects your municipality. This report brings together an extensive amount of technical work which has been completed to provide the CTC Source Protection Committee with information required to develop Source Protection Plans. A separate Assessment Report is required for each of the source protection areas within the CTC Source Protection Region. This *Proposed Assessment Report* has been developed as per Ontario Regulation 287/07 and the *Terms of Reference: Toronto and Region Source Protection Area* which was approved by the Minister of the Environment on August 17, 2009.

The proposed assessment report identifies the location and nature of potential risks to sources of municipal drinking water. The analysis for the Toronto and Region Source Protection Area resulted in **494 significant drinking water quality threats,** and a number of moderate or low drinking water threats are also identified. The CTC Source Protection Committee must develop policies which address significant drinking water threats and may choose to address potential moderate and low threats within the Source Protection Plan.

Further work is being completed for an amended *Assessment Report for each of the three Source Protection Areas of the CTC Source Protection Region.* The *Updated Assessment Reports* will examine drinking water quantity threats in stressed watersheds and delineate IPZ-3s based on if, and how far, a major contaminant release could travel from shore to each water intake as well as updated Wellhead Protection Areas with transport pathway information.

Should you or your council require further information please discuss your needs with your municipal representative on the Source Protection Committee, Laura McDowell or Beverley Thorpe, CTC Project Manager (416-661-6600 extension 5577) and they will be pleased to provide the necessary information. If you require a hard copy of the report, please contact Megan Price at 416-661-6600 extension 5568 or at mprice@trca.on.ca.

Any comments made on the Proposed Assessment Reports will be forwarded, along with the Proposed Assessment Report to the Ministry of the Environment for their review. Comments should be sent to the Chair of the Toronto and Region Source Protection Authority, Gerri Lynn O'Connor, by December 16, 2010 at 5 Shoreham Drive, Downsview ON M3N 1S4, by fax at 416-667-6278 or by email to sourcewater@trca.on.ca. Thank you for your consideration of the foregoing as we all share in the important work to protect our current and future sources of drinking water.

Yours truly,

Susan Kelly

Chair, CTC Source Protection Committee

Enclosure

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