



Health Services Department
Public Health Branch

February 16, 2006

Mrs. Michele Kennedy
Town Clerk
Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville
37 Sandiford Drive, 4th Floor
Stouffville, ON L4A 7X5

Dear Mrs. Kennedy:

Re: Bill 128 re: Marijuana Home Grown Operations (C10-CL & L11)

Thank you for your letter dated November 8, 2005 containing Whitchurch-Stouffville's Council resolution regarding Bill 128 and amendments to the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

Please be advised that the Regional Department of Health Services does not have the mandate or the expertise to inspect such facilities as per your request. Our legislated powers respecting indoor air quality complaints are limited to tenant-occupied residential settings, child-occupied settings (schools and day-cares), and buildings to which the general public has access. Further to this, the powers respecting inspections of buildings of a residential nature are limited to the provision of information on source detection and removal of mould from indoor environments.

The Region is presently reviewing various best practices as to the coordination of inspection and enforcement of these types of premises. Local municipalities within the Region will be consulted as we move forward in assessing the implications of Bill 128. To assist Whitchurch-Stouffville in its immediate need to deal with these premises, I have attached a list of equipment/protective clothing that are currently used by York Region Police in the dismantling of indoor marijuana grow operations. I trust this is of assistance.

Sincerely,

Dr. Karim Kurji
Acting Medical Officer of Health and
Director of Public Health Programs

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Attachment

Copy to: Joann Simmons, Commissioner of Community Services, Housing and Health Services
Superintendent Chris Barrett, York Regional Police

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Equipment/Protective Clothing Used by York Regional Police For Dismantling of Marijuana Grow Operations

Equipment	Unit	Unit Cost
Tyvek hooded coveralls [Kleenguard Ultra Hood]; matching disposable boot covers		\$5.95/suit
Purple Nitrile gloves	100/box	\$14.50/box
PVC coated cotton work gloves	300/box	\$300/box
Respirator (APR), Advantage 200LS (half face) or 2000 LS (full face), 2 cartridge		
Filter cartridges, GME-P100	2 filters/set	\$17.95/set
Dielectric safety boot [Kodiak Rockfibre Model #309012]		\$150.00/pair
Additional Equipment:		
Air monitor [Five Star] (to test for CO, CO2 and lower explosive limit)		\$5,000.00