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Mr. Denis Kelly
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The Regional Municipality of York
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Dear Mr. Kelly:

Thank you for your letter of June 23, 2006 and for providing the recommendations adopted by York Region Council on June 22, 2006, and a copy of the *Towards Sustainability in York Region Advisory Group Final Report*.

The Ministry of the Environment strongly supports the initiatives undertaken by the Region in support of sustainable development, by addressing issues related to growth management, infrastructure planning and environmental protection measures. Ministry staff have reviewed the report and are encouraged by its recommendations. I look forward to seeing the positive impact of the implementation of those recommendations on the Region and its residents.

I appreciate that the Region continues to keep me informed of the progress towards the commitment to developing a regional sustainable development strategy, and I welcome further updates on future initiatives undertaken by the Region.

Thank you, again, for bringing this information to the attention of the ministry.

Yours truly,

Laurel C. Broten
Minister of the Environment

c: Mr. Steve. Klose, Acting Director, Central Region Office
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