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His Worship Walter Sendzik Mayor City of St. Catharines

Email: wsendzik@stcatharines.ca

Dear Mayor Sendzik:

Thank you for your letter regarding residents' concerns related to the abandoned former General Motors property located in St. Catharines.

I understand that local ministry staff met with City of St. Catharines staff on January 16, 2020 to discuss the City's and residents' concerns. The ministry has also met with representatives from the concerned residents' group and with representatives of General Motors to better understand potential environmental issues.

The ministry is evaluating the available information and preparing an appropriate monitoring plan. Staff from the Niagara District Office will be in contact with city staff as the plan is finalized.

If you have further questions or would like to set up a meeting with the local ministry office, please contact Ms. Kim Groombridge, Niagara District Manager, at 905-704-3914 or Kim.Groombridge@ontario.ca.

Thank you for sharing these concerns with me.

Sincerely,

Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

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