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Region of Halton 1151 Bronte Road Oakville, ON L6M 3L1

Attention: Mr. Mark Meneray

Dear Mr. Meneray:

Re: Sustainable Halton Household Projections

We represent the Mattamy Group of Companies with respect to the Sustainable Halton process. We are working with a team of consultants and are reviewing the various Regional technical reports as they are released. We are corresponding in this instance to request further information resulting from the release of the recent Hemson report.

In May 2007, Hemson Consulting had projected 296,000 households in Halton Region by 2031, consistent with the *Growth Outlook for the Greater Golden Horseshoe* which formed the basis of the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe. The April 2009 report, *Accommodating Growth to 2031* projects only 285,000 households in Halton Region by 2031 – a reduction of 11,000 households. On page 23, the April 2009 report refers to:

"....a full update of the GTAH-wide forecasting models (released after the Phase 1 reports were completed) and resulted in a shift in planned housing units. The updated data included age structure, household formation rates by age and housing type occupancy patterns by age."

In order to assess the reasonableness of the new household forecast, we need to undertake a complete review of the update of the GTAH-wide forecasting model including changes in key assumptions. In particular, we require:

- The changes in the 2011, 2021 and 2031 population forecast by age cohort for the GTAH:
- The new assumptions regarding fertility, mortality and net migration behind the new forecast by age cohort;
- Projected household headship rates by age cohort and an explanation of changes from the reference compact scenario in the Growth Outlook for the Greater Golden Horseshoe:
- The new GTAH household forecast for 2011, 2021 and 2031;
- Unit type projections for the GTAH; and
- The allocation of units by type to upper and single tier municipalities within the GTAH.

At the most recent Inter-Municipal Liaison Committee meeting Mayor Burton asked Mr. Mathew if his calculations would be made available for purposes of analysis and Mr. Mathew did not take issue with the release of this information. As noted by Mayor Burton it is important to understand the inputs to the model in order to assess the output.

We thank you in advance for your assistance.

Yours truly,

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