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Subject: Expansion of

Sewage Treatment Plant
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Dear Mr. Chashi:

I welcome the opportunity to offer comment on the proposed expansion of the sewage treatment plant; however, I realize that I am at a serious disadvantage in that I first heard about the project a couple of weeks ago. With the deadline for comment upon us, it seems only reasonable that the public be given additional time.

I have lived in Oakville for 35 years, from 1967 until 1978 on the Ballymena Estate (Ray Lawson) which, as you may know, is located on the lake at the corner of Morrison and the Lakeshore. I now live at 1087 Tanglewood Court, less than a kilometer from the lake. I have some firsthand knowledge of the effect of algae blooms during July and August. Wastewater discharge can have a major impact on water quality and can contribute significantly to algae growth.

Moreover, I have had a continuing interest in water pollution abatement, particularly through the work of John Todd of Ocean Arks International <www.oceanarks.org>. He has done his professional work in California (Ocean Arks) and in Cape Cod (New Alchemy Institute <www.ratical.org>). As a matter of local interest, I believe he was born and raised in Burlington, Ontario although most of his professional work has been done in the USA and other foreign countries.

I would like to reacquaint myself with his current work because I believe that there is much that he could contribute to our current discussion. This will take a little more time, hence my request for an extension of the submission deadline.

Please confirm receipt of this message. Hopefully you will be able to give me new dates.

Respectfully,

Ernie Kuechmeister