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Dear Ms. Cheung:

**RE:       Municipal Resolution – “Carbon Taxes”  
          Motions  
          Belleville City Council Meeting, April 14, 2008**

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This is to advise you that at the Council Meeting of April 14, 2008, the following resolution was approved.

REC. NO.   290/08   WHEREAS it is becoming increasingly difficult for municipalities in Ontario to rely solely on increases to property taxes and user rates as the primary sources of financing needed for upgrades to municipal infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Government has provided the City of Toronto with opportunities to raise revenues through various means not available to other municipalities in the Province of Ontario;  
AND WHEREAS there is growing support for the concept of “carbon taxes” as means to address global environmental issues;

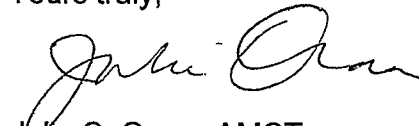
AND WHEREAS municipalities should be empowered to raise funds to finance needed upgrades to municipal infrastructure in ways other than just property taxes and user rates;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Belleville hereby petition the Ontario Government to provide municipalities with additional powers to raise revenues needed to finance upgrades to municipal infrastructure, such as those provided to the City of Toronto and including the opportunity to levy carbon taxes with such funds to be devoted to environmental projects;

AND FURTHER, that this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours truly,



Julie C. Oram, AMCT  
Director of Corporate Services/City Clerk

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