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July 11, 1979.

County of Simcoe,  
Administration Centre,  
Midhurst, Ontario.  
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Attention: Mr. A. Pelletier, Clerk

Dear Mr. Pelletier:

Re: Notice of Intent to Order Research  
to Minister of Transportation and  
Communications, Re the Environmental  
Assessment to the Proposed New Highway 89  
from Highway 400 Easterly to Highway 12

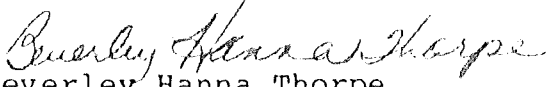
Attached is a Notice of Intent to Order Further Research, which pertains to the above environmental assessment and is given pursuant to Section 11(1) of The Environmental Assessment Act, 1975. This Notice is being sent to you as required under Section 38(2)(c) of this Act.

The Notice is given to the Minister of Transportation and Communications by the Minister of the Environment because he is of the opinion that the environmental assessment, as submitted, is unsatisfactory to enable a decision to be made as to whether approval to proceed with the proposed highway should or should not be given or should be given subject to terms and conditions. The Notice and attachment explain the work that the proponent should carry out to rectify these deficiencies.

The Notice indicates that the proponent can make written submissions to the Minister of the Environment before Aug. 4, 1979 after which time the Minister may issue the order requiring the proponent to carry out the research. You will receive a copy of the order if it is issued.

I will continue to keep you informed of the status of the environmental assessment and review until a final decision is made. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either myself or Ms. Brenda Perfect at (416) 965-4139. Copies of this letter and Notice have been sent to the Clerks of the other Municipalities as indicated on the attached distribution list.

Yours truly,

  
Beverley Hanna Thorpe,  
Senior Environmental Planner,  
Environmental Assessment Section,  
Environmental Approvals Branch.

Attach.

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July 11, 1979

The Hon. James W. Snow,  
Minister of Transportation  
and Communications,  
3rd Floor, Ferguson Block,  
77 Wellesley Street West,  
Toronto, Ontario.  
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Dear Sir:

Re: NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUIRE FURTHER RESEARCH  
under Section 11(1) of The Environmental  
Assessment Act, 1975 for the Ministry of  
Transportation and Communications'  
Environmental Assessment of the extension of  
Highway 89,  
(Township of East Gwillimbury and the  
Township of Georgina in the Regional  
Municipality of York, and the Townships of  
Uxbridge and Brock in the Regional  
Municipality of Durham),  
E.A. File No. 1-77-0002-000

The above environmental assessment (EA)  
was submitted to me, by your Ministry, for  
approval to proceed under The Environmental  
Assessment Act, 1975. It was subsequently  
reviewed by representatives from Ontario  
Government ministries in order to determine:

- a) whether the environmental assessment document  
was acceptable and sufficiently complete to  
enable a decision to be made on approval of  
the undertaking; and,
- b) whether the undertaking should or should not  
be approved.

A number of deficiencies in the EA were  
identified by the Government reviewers, and are  
reflected in recommendations made in the attached  
Review.

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I have considered the above environmental assessment and the recommendations of the reviewers as embodied in the attached Review and am of the opinion that, as submitted, the EA does not provide a satisfactory basis on which to reach a decision as to whether approval to proceed with the undertaking should or should not be given, or should be given subject to terms and conditions.

Pursuant to Section 11(1) of The Environmental Assessment Act, 1975, I hereby am giving you notice that it is my intention to issue an Order under Section 11(2) with respect to the undertaking, requiring you to carry out further research and investigations.

Specifically, the proposed Order will require you to address the deficiencies identified in Section IV, subsections (1) and (3) of the attached Review.

However, before issuing such an Order, I am prepared to consider written submissions received from you, by August 4, 1979 as provided for in Sec. 11(2) of the Act. Such submissions should be sent to me at the address indicated above.

As the proponent of this undertaking, you have several options open to you at this time. The Review Co-ordinator here in this Ministry would be pleased to discuss the next steps with your staff.

Yours truly,



Harry Parrott, D.D.S.