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Re: York Region's Long Term Water Supply Project-Dec. 19th

1. Most of this report is beyond what the Geological Survey of Canada can comment on.
2. There is no mention of the role of groundwater supplies in this summary of the process and the strategy.
3. This is serious concern from our view as Gartner Lee Ltd, a major Canadian and international consulting firm, has stated in their report to York Region:
"there appears to be significant additional supplies within York Region to meet the needs of a number of communities that are currently being served by ground water."
4. In a letter to York Region we express the view that substantial additional ground water resources may be available in York. (attached). We have offered support for these ground water searches and urge that they be undertaken in partnership with the Region and others (MOEE?) in the next few months.
5. Gartner and Lee Ltd reported to me that almost no public was present at the November open house; there was little if any debate. Is this a cause for concern?

Fax from Dave Sharpe

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Re: York Regional Water expansion plans

Dear Sarah,

1. Earlier this year you forwarded a copy of an open letter that your Association sent to the Ministers of Municipal Affairs, Environment and Natural Resources. Can you advise me of the developments arising from this initiative!
2. At the same time could you send /bring me up-date on the progress of your reporting to the International Joint Commission re sustainable Resources. Perhaps you should send this material to the Federal Minister of Natural Resources and particularly to the Deputy Minister.
3. Has your group responded to the York Region Long Term Water Supply -- Class Environmental Assessment--call for public discussion in Newmarket Nov. 6-8; Regional Council decision on Dec. 19th, 1996?
4. Please find enclosed a copy of a paper outlining the scientific basis for evaluating prospects for identifying municipal-scale groundwater resources (also sent by mail).
5. We have also produced a computer "movie" aimed at increasing awareness of groundwater resources. It is targeted for high school and general public audiences and fits on one diskette (1.3 mgs) suitable to run on a 486 computer. If you would like a copy of the diskette and or could help promote it please let me know.

Fax and cheers from Dave Sharpe

Dave

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