



July 3, 2001

Mr. Paul Muldoon Executive Director Canadian Environmental Law Association 517 College Street Suite 401 Toronto, Ontario M6G 4A2

Dear Mr. Muldoon:

Re: Grant Number: 2001/202

Your application for *Children's Environmental Health Partnership - Development Phase* on behalf of Canadian Environmental Law Association was reviewed at a recent Environment Programme Committee meeting. It is my pleasure to advise you that a grant of \$10,000 was approved for this project.

The Committee believes that the development of a Children's Environmental Health Partnership is an excellent concept, and as you know, one we have been keen on for several years.

The Committee noted that the development proposal is premature at this point and would like to see more time spent up-front to sort out the infrastructure issues of the Partnership and more face-to-face meetings before the development plan is launched. Committee members have three primary concerns: first is the lack of recognition of the considerable efforts that have been put into this idea over the past three years (meetings, focus groups, national surveys); second, is the heavy reliance on the internet as the mechanism for operationalizing the partnership; and third, whether CELA is the right organization to be managing the process.

The Committee would like to provide \$10,000 to provide support to allow the partners to come together to ensure that the partnership initiative will be successful. The Committee is supportive of Laidlaw Foundation staff taking some facilitation role with the Partnership, if that is helpful. The Committee also would invite a revised proposal at the fall funding round from the Partnership.

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We are enclosing a cheque for \$10,000 payable to the Resource Library for the Environment and Law. Please note that we will require a final report once this project is completed and within 12 months of the issuance of this award. This report should include the title of the project, budget actuals, and a one-page evaluation describing how the project met the objectives outlined in your application to the Foundation.

We are enthusiastic about this project and I look forward to working with you on this initiative. Shona MacLachlan, the Environment Programme Associate will be in contact with you to arrange progress reports and to keep you informed on other projects in the Environment Programme.

The Foundation publishes a report of activities annually and would like to include as many interesting pictures/photos/images as possible. We would appreciate it if you would forward any images you might have on this project for this purpose with your report. The images might also be used for our web site.

We require a note acknowledging your receipt of the grant at your earliest convenience. This note should include your organization's Charitable Registration Number. In all future correspondence relating to this project, please refer to the above noted grant number.

Environment Programme Co-ordinator

Yours sincerely,

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Executive Director

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