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April 12, 2021

Mr. Robert Poirier
Chair, Board of Directors
Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority
Email: rpoirier@outlook.com

Dear Mr. Poirier,

I am writing in response to your letter received January 26, 2021 advising that, in the Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority's view, the government's objectives for transitioning the regulated community to a digital reporting service for the Hazardous Waste program can be best achieved by extending the transition date to January 1, 2023.

As you know, Ontario is working to build a smarter government that will provide simpler, faster, and more cost-effective services for people and businesses. Part of this plan includes transitioning the digital reporting of the Hazardous Waste program to the Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority (the Authority).

I understand that the Authority continues to be committed to delivering a user-friendly Hazardous Waste program digital reporting service that will fully meet the reporting requirements of the program and the regulated community. I also understand that the Authority has identified that an extension would ensure the regulated community has sufficient time to adapt to the new system and that the Authority has sufficient time to consult and work with stakeholders in building the system.

I have considered your advice to extend the date when the digital reporting service must be ready from January 1, 2022, as set out in my [original direction letter](#), to January 1, 2023. I have also considered your advice to extend the registration launch, which was anticipated to take place before July 1, 2021 in advance of the transition date.

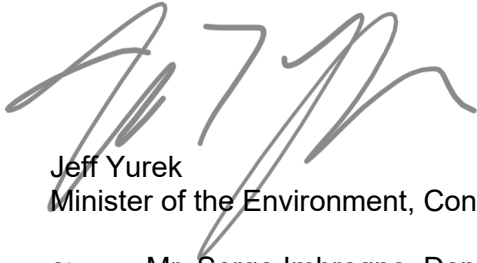
Based on the information the Authority has provided, I am directing the Authority to take all necessary steps to have the digital reporting service for the Hazardous Waste program operational by January 1, 2023, which is the revised expected transition date for the Hazardous Waste program. I anticipate that the registration launch date will also be adjusted by the Authority, in consultation with Ministry staff.

I expect that the reporting service will be developed in accordance with all requirements and principles set out in my [original direction letter](#).

Lastly, the Authority shall make this direction letter available publicly on its website.

Should you have any questions, you may reach out to Karen Moore, Assistant Deputy Minister of the Environmental Policy Division, who can be reached at Karen.Moore4@ontario.ca or 416-326-8026.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Yurek', is written over the printed name and title of the signatory.

Jeff Yurek
Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

c: Mr. Serge Imbrogno, Deputy Minister
Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

Mr. Frank Denton, Chief Executive Officer
The Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority