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Councillor John Filion
Chair, Toronto Board of Health
c/o Candy Davidovitis, Committee Administrator
Toronto City Clerk's Office
City Hall
100 Queen Street West
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Dear Councillor Filion:

Re: HL15.5 - Reporting on Air Pollution from Airports

I am writing with respect to a report entitled "Air Pollution from Airports" that the Board of Health (Board) will be considering at its meeting on Monday, June 16, 2008.

As noted in the Report, the Greater Toronto Airports Authority (GTAA) has worked with Board staff on issues related to air quality since 2000. We very much appreciate the support we have received from the Board, in particular, the input that Board staff provided through our Multi-Stakeholder Advisory Panel that was established to provide input to our air quality assessment. This Report was completed and released in 2004. A comprehensive plan to address issues arising from this Report, as well as the recommendations from the Board of Health, was established by the GTAA and we are pleased to advise you that significant changes have been implemented.

As the staff report before the Board also notes, beyond air quality modelling, air quality monitoring also is important. At the GTAA, we have a program in place that uses a





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combination of modelling and monitoring to address air quality issues. In fact, the GTAA has allocated funds for the 2009 budget year to upgrade its stationary air quality monitoring station to ensure we are collecting quality data on a continuous basis.

In closing, we would welcome the opportunity to meet with or host the Board to present an overview of our program and tour of our facilities, and to share with the Board our future plans.

Yours truly,

Toby Lennox

Vice President, Corporate Affairs and Communications

c: Members, Board of Health

