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EX25.6.4 Toronto Industry Network

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EMAILED

Mayor John Tory & Members of the Executive Committee, 10th Floor West - City Hall, 100 Queen Street West, Toronto, Ontario, M5H 2N2

Attention: Ms. Jennifer Forkes

Dear Mayor Tory and Committee Members,

Re: EX25.6 - Proposed Stormwater Charge

The Toronto Industry Network (TIN) is writing to address the proposed stormwater charge and the Sewer Surcharge Agreement issue detailed in the staff report and has the following comments:

Stormwater Charge

- 1. It is disappointing that again the implementation of the stormwater charge has been significantly delayed. A number of the concerns raised during the public consultation process could have been anticipated and addressed. The principle of separating the cost of stormwater management from water costs provides a transparent and fair way to assign this cost for all property owners.
- 2. It is recognized that parties expecting an increase in costs from the new stormwater charge will be upset. However, large water users have for many years been subsidizing the stormwater costs of property owners with low water purchases and large impervious land areas. It is long overdue to correct this unfairness particularly as many parties with large impervious surface areas have significant scope to reduce their stormwater runoff and thus their stormwater charge.
- 3. In the spirit of staff Recommendation 1d, we ask that Toronto Water be directed to develop a solution to take effect in 2018 for the Block 2 users that will address the current inequity. This would send a positive message to the manufacturing community

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Sewer Surcharge Agreement charges

TIN respectfully requests until the shape of a stormwater or related charge that would be applied to industry is finalized, consideration of charging for all four parameters covered under the Sewer Surcharge Agreement be deferred.

We thank you for your attention

Sincerely,

Andrew Judge,

President