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Mayor Rob Ford and Members of Council,
Toronto Ontario,
City Hall, 12th Floor West Tower,
100 Queen Street West,
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Dear Mayor Ford and Members of Council,

Re: EX25.9 – 2013 Rate Supported Budgets – Toronto Water and 2013 Water and Wastewater Rates and Service Fees (Item BU31.1)

The Toronto Industry Network (TIN) respectfully requests that Toronto Council approve EX25.9, Recommendation 2 that proposes companies with industrial surcharge agreements be charged a fee using the Type 1 Formula on the treatable parameter that exceeds the Municipal Code Chapter 681, Sewers, the most. This would implement the recommendations of the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee as well as those of the Budget Committee. TIN supports the proposed increase in treatable parameter fees per Recommendation 2 as well as adding Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (TKN) as a treatable parameter.

TIN believes that Council must be steadfast in its efforts to keep good-paying manufacturing jobs in Toronto. This is essential for the well-being of our City. There are many jurisdictions that are competing for these jobs and are prepared to offer incentives for them.

We appreciate the support of the Public Works and Infrastructure, Budget and Executive committees in this matter. These committees have realized there has to be a balance regarding fees charged by the City to businesses and its ability to retain them.

We thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Andrew Judge
President