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## The Toronto Industry Network

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## **EMAILED**

Mayor Rob Ford and Members of the Executive Committee, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, West Tower, City Hall, 100 Queen Street West, Toronto, Ontario, M5H 2N2.

Attn: Ms. Kelly McCarthy

Dear Mayor Ford and Members of the Executive Committee:

## Re: EX33.1 - Development Charges By-law Review

The Toronto Industry Network is pleased to write you in support of the staff recommendation to continue the policy of exempting industrial development from development charges.

This policy is a key economic development tool that highlights Toronto over its competitors as a place to re-invest for manufacturing. Further, it has been a positive factor in the decision by several of our members to expand their facilities in our City. An important goal of the City must be to find ways to promote certainty and stability for the manufacturing community which this proposal achieves.

Your strong endorsement of the policy to continue the practice of not applying DC charges to industrial development will be most welcomed.

Sincerely,

Andrew Judge

President