

May 22, 2019

Re: IE5.9

Report for Action – Single-Use and Takeaway Items Consultations and Reduction Strategy Next Steps

Dear Committee Members:

I'm writing in regards to the Report entitled Single-Use and Takeaway Items Consultations and Reduction Strategy Next Steps. Wentworth Technologies would like to work with and participate in the upcoming consultation.

Wentworth Technologies is headquartered in Brantford, with manufacturing facilities in Ontario, US and Poland. The company has sales of ~\$300 million and employs ~1,800 people. Our primary business is plastics packaging for industrial, consumer and foodservice markets. Our foodservice division include Stone Straw (located in Brantford) that supplies approximately 70% market share across Canada, and Amhil (located in Mississauga, Burlington, Brantford) that supplies drinking cups/lids, portion cups and food packaging to the Canadian, US and European markets.

As one of the largest manufacturers of single-use products in Ontario, Wentworth's mission is to develop **smart, safe, sustainable packaging solutions** based on the principles of a growing Circular Economy. As part of this mission, Wentworth has been active at the Provincial and Federal levels of government in an effort to advance a broader environment vision and strategy aimed at reducing litter and waste. As a result, we were asked to present at the Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment (CCME) meeting in Calgary in October. We were also invited to participate in the more series of introductory meetings with select City of Toronto Councillors. Apart from Toronto, we have been asked to support and participate in Brantford's Canada Day Event, promoting the use of our plant based Back to Earth™ straws and 100% recyclable products.

As we actively work with a variety of stakeholders to provide zero waste solutions, we ask that we be invited to participate in the upcoming consultation process.

We also welcome the opportunity to continue to work with all City Staff, the Mayor and Councillors to offer alternatives and innovative solutions aimed at achieving zero plastic waste.

Yours truly,



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