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July 2, 2024

Deputy-Mayor Jennifer McKelvie and Members of the Infrastructure & Environment Committee, Toronto City Hall 100 Queen Street West Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

Attention: Matthew Green, Administrator

Dear Deputy - Mayor McKelvie and Committee Members:

Re: IE15.4 - Building Emissions Performance Standards - Design Principles and Development Plan

We are writing to request that staff be directed to consult with the Toronto Industry Network regarding the proposed reporting requirements and by-law mandating that our facilities report the water, electricity and natural gas use for our buildings. We have serious concerns regarding this initiative that include:

- 1. Our members are being required to report even before consultations are over for a proposed by-law which may suggest that the consultations are not meaningful. Normally, TIN is engaged at the conceptual stage of such an initiative.
- 2. Staff have no idea how difficult it is to separate out water, electricity and natural gas usage for buildings from that used in production.
- 3. The data we would be required to report is often proprietary information.
- 4. The City would be well-advised to ask the federal and provincial governments why most manufacturing is exempted from similar reporting requirements.
- 5. Comparing what Toronto plans to do re an EPS by-law to what other jurisdictions are doing does not provide a fair comparison since most exempt manufacturing.
- 6. Reporting by the manufacturing sector will raise the costs of many products used every day in our City.

We thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Craig McLuckie, President

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