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BY E-MAIL

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Ms. Heather Morrison County Clerk COUNTY OF GREY 595 9th Avenue East Owen Sound, ON N4K 3E3

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Dear Ms. Morrison:

Re: Proposed exchange of land for the County Quarry

Our Client: Walker Aggregates Inc.

I represent Walker Aggregates Inc. and I have been instructed to advise that my client strongly objects to the proposed exchange of land for the County Quarry Property. The Committee Report on this proposed exchange was delayed due to the current Corona crisis and we have been given a single day to review and respond to this report.

We have concerns about the valuations that have been applied to both the Quarry and the Durham lands and do not feel that all factors have been properly considered including the value of the Licence itself and the rehabilitation costs.

The County Sale and Acquisition of Land Policy (G-GEN-003) and the Acquisition of Land Procedure (G-GEN-003-002) contemplate that County Council will act in good faith and in an open and fair manner and in the best interests of the County. Unfortunately, the process followed by the County in this matter does not appear to be open, fair, and in good faith nor in the best interest of the County.

We believe that there are other options open to the County that would result in the County acquiring the necessary land for the long term care facility and also receive the cash proceeds from the sale of the County Quarry Property. This means that with the current proposal the County could be leaving over \$1,000,000.00 on the table.

We request that County Council defer this matter until it has had the opportunity to hear from our client and any other interested parties. There is no reason or justification for rushing this proposal especially during the current difficult times. We believe that for the County to proceed and approve this proposal on April 9th would be a clear act of bad faith.

Yours truly,

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