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Michael Duben Chief Administrative Officer County of Oxford <u>mduben@oxfordcounty.ca</u>

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Dear Michael Duben and Chloe Senior:

Thank you for your correspondence outlining the steps that the County of Oxford has taken to review its current council composition and for providing me with a status update. I appreciate the time you have taken to write.

To ensure council composition continues to reflect local and demographic needs, the *Municipal Act* requires all regional municipalities to regularly review their regional council composition. We continue to encourage regional councils and their area municipalities to work towards achieving a mutually acceptable solution.

If you have outstanding questions or concerns related to the process as it pertains to the *Municipal Act*, please contact Ian Kerr, Regional Director, Municipal Services Office – West Region. He can be reached at 519-873-4026 or <u>Ian.Kerr@ontario.ca</u>.

Once again, thank you for providing me with the update. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

Val

Steve Clark Minister

c: The Honourable Ernie Hardeman, MPP Oxford <u>ernie.hardemanco@pc.ola.org</u>