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Dear Ms. Terry:

Subject:

Draft Plan of Subdivision and Zoning By-Law Amendment

Your File: D14-1500 and D12-395 (Ferndale Meadows Inc.)

190-196 Ardagh Road

City of Barrie

Thank you for consulting with the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority (LSRCA) with regard to the proposed draft plan of subdivision and related zoning by-law amendment applications. The LSRCA has reviewed these applications in the following context:

- ✓ Provincial Policy Statement
- ✓ Lake Simcoe Protection Plan
- ✓ Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe
- ✓ City Official Plan

Provincial Policy Statement (PPS)

As you may be aware, a tributary of Hotchkiss Creek traverses the subject property. This watercourse emanates from a piped system and flows as a ditch-like feature for ~150m until it discharges into a storm water catch-basin. While it is recognized that this watercourse may be classified as "indirect" fish habitat (to be verified through additional field assessment) according to the environmental consultant's report, approval from Fisheries and Oceans Canada (FOC) will be required to enclose this feature.

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On this basis, the Planning Justification Report should be amended accordingly to recognize that approval from FOC through the LSRCA's permit process will be required in accordance with Policy 2.1.5 of the PPS. It should be noted that compensation may be required through the permit process for any fish habitat loss. The Fisheries Assessment (December 1, 2010) undertaken by Azimuth Environmental Consulting should also recognize this permit and approvals requirement.

Lake Simcoe Protection Plan

As you know, the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan is in force and effect within the Lake Simcoe watershed jurisdiction. As a result, the Planning Justification Report must include a section on this provincial plan in addition to the other provincial and local plans and policies. Accordingly, the Justification Report should be amended in order to demonstrate how the applicable Designated Policies (DP) of the Protection Plan have been met. For example, DP 4.8 to 4.11 of the Plan related to storm water management must be met.

If you have any further comments with regard to the above, please contact the undersigned.

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