Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks Ministère de l'Environnement, de la Protection de la nature et des Parcs

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January 15, 2021

Mr. Greg van Loenen Environmental Compliance Officer GFL Environmental Inc. 17125 Lafleche Road Moose Creek ON K0C 1W0

Dear Mr. van Loenen:

Thank you for submitting your Terms of Reference for the Eastern Ontario Waste Handling Facility Environmental Assessment (undertaking) on September 11, 2020. The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (ministry) has completed its review and I have subsequently approved your Terms of Reference for the preparation of an environmental assessment with regard to the undertaking.

As required by subsection 6.1(1) of the *Environmental Assessment Act*, your environmental assessment must now be prepared in accordance with the approved Terms of Reference. While this approval provides additional certainty to your environmental assessment decision-making process, it does not secure approval of an undertaking. GFL Environmental Inc. is responsible for fulfilling the commitments outlined in the Terms of Reference and providing the appropriate level of detail in the environmental assessment.

Should you wish to vary significantly from your approved Terms of Reference in preparing your environmental assessment, you will need to submit a new or amended Terms of Reference for my approval. In the event of any uncertainty, please consult with the ministry's Environmental Assessment Branch.

Please feel free to contact Adam Sanzo, Project Officer, of the Environmental Assessment Branch, at 437-244-9402 or by email at <u>adam.sanzo@ontario.ca</u> should you require further assistance.

Sincerely,

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Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

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